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Stay Tuned for Upcoming Grant Opportunities:

- EPA's Brownfields <u>Area-</u> <u>wide Planning Grant</u> Request for Applications (anticipated to come out this summer).
- EPA's <u>Assessment</u>, <u>Cleanup</u> and <u>Revolving</u> <u>Loan Fund</u> (ARC) Grant Request for Applications and corresponding webinars (expected late summer/fall).



EPA Announced \$67 Million for Brownfields Assessment, Revolving Loan and Cleanup Grants

EPA announced that 28 entities from EPA Regions 8, 9, and 10 will receive \$10.9 million to assess, clean up and redevelop contaminated properties. These new grants will help western communities address brownfield properties, boost local economies and leverage jobs while protecting public health and the environment. A total of \$67 million in funds is being awarded nation-wide through EPA's Brownfields Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup grant competition. <u>Go to EPA's News Release and read</u> <u>about the 2014 ARC Brownfields Grant Awardees</u>.

Environmental Workforce and Job Training (EWDJT) Grant Awards Announced

On May 12, 2014, EPA Adminstrator McCarthy announced the selection of 18 grantees nationwide receiving a total of approximately \$3.6 million through EPA's Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training Grants. Five entities from EPA Regions 8, 9 and 10 will each receive a \$200,000 grant to fund a training program to provide unemployed and underemployed individuals with skills and certifications needed to enter careers in the environmental field. <u>Go to EPA's News Release</u>

EPA Request for Proposals

EPA Request for Proposals for Tribal Cooperative Agreements: EPA's Offices of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER) and Office of Water are soliciting proposals to coordinate and provide training, technical assistance, research and studies that will support the participation of tribal co-regulations in the formulation of federal/tribal environmental policies in Indian Country. The cooperative agreement recipient will promote discussion, collaboration, and partnership among tribes and federal agency representatives. Proposals are due June 23, 2014. The RFP can be found at: <u>http://www.epa.gov/oswer/grants-funding.htm</u>

EPA Hazardous Waste Grant Programs for Tribes: EPA is soliciting proposals from federally recognized tribes or intertribal consortia for the development and implementation of hazardous waste programs and for building capacity to address hazdous waste management in Indian Country. The total estimated funding is \$299,000 and EPA anticipates awarding up to four cooperative agreements that shall not exceed \$74,750. The proposal deadline is May 30, 2014. The RFP can be found at: http://www.epa.gov/oswer/grants-funding.htm

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