

# New Hampshire May 2009

"The term 'brownfield site' means real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant." (from the federal Brownfields Act of 2002)

#### **SUMMARY OF BROWNFIELDS PROGRAM**

Originally begun as an EPA initiative in January 1995, the US EPA National Brownfields Program has since evolved into a collaborative effort involving many federal, state and local partners. In January 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act ("the Brownfields law") was signed. This law expanded potential federal assistance for Brownfields revitalization, including grants for assessment, cleanup, and job training. The law also includes provisions to establish and enhance state and tribal response programs, which will continue to play a critical role in the successful cleanup and revitalization of brownfields. Below is a summary of the US EPA Region1 funding for each of the key Brownfields initiatives.

EPA Brownfields Funding in New England: Program Distribution by State (1994-2009)*							
Program	СТ	ME	MA	NH	RI	VT	Total
Assessment Grants	\$11,348,630	\$7,659,017	\$23,520,131	\$6,029,000	\$2,703,000	\$9,310,000	\$60,569,778
Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grants	\$12,029,645	\$8,268,355	\$14,668,000	\$4,701,790	\$5,690,000	\$2,000,000	\$47,357,790
Cleanup Grants	\$7,425,500	\$3,180,744	\$10,028,533	\$2,400,000	\$5,000,000	\$600,000	\$28,634,777
Job Training Grants	\$2,140,264	\$200,000	\$2,338,799	\$0	\$350,000	\$0	\$5,029,063
EPA Targeted Assessments (TBA)	\$2,577,470	\$626,339	\$4,403,869	\$398,926	\$514,217	\$366,621	\$8,887,442
State & Tribal Funding	\$8,937,994	\$8,134,361	\$12,382,315	\$10,164,267	\$8,482,572	\$4,525,752	\$52,627,261
Showcase Communities	\$300,000	\$0	\$800,000	\$0	\$300,000	\$0	\$1,400,000
Total	\$44,759,503	\$28,068,816	\$68,141,647	\$23,693,983	\$23,039,789	\$16,802,373	\$204,506,111
*Funding total	*Funding total current as of May 2009						

## **ASSESSMENT GRANT PROGRAM**

State, tribal, and local governments are eligible to apply for funding to inventory, characterize, assess, and conduct planning and community involvement related to brownfield sites. Applicants may apply for \$200,000 to address sites contaminated by hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants (including hazardous substances co-mingled with petroleum) and \$200,000 to address sites contaminated by petroleum. Coalitions of three or more eligible entities may apply for up to \$1,000,000 and must assess a minimum of five sites. A community-wide proposal is one in which sites are not specifically identified. The performance period of these grants is three years and recipients are selected through an annual national competition. The figures in the table that follows are cumulative totals for all Assessment Grants awarded in New Hampshire since 1994.

Assessment Grant Program			
Recipient	2009 Funding	Total Funding	
Claremont		\$200,000	
Concord		\$90,000	
Lakes Region Planning Commission	\$400,000	\$400,000	
Nashua		\$673,000	
Nashua Regional Planning Commission		\$400,000	
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services		\$550,000	
New Hampshire Office of State Planning		\$400,000	
North Country Council of Governments		\$600,000	
Rockingham Planning Commission		\$200,000	
Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission	\$400,000	\$600,000	
Southwest Region Planning Commission		\$916,000	
Coalitions			
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	
Assessment Grant Program Total:	\$1,800,000*	\$6,029,000*	
*Funding total current as of May 2009.			

#### REVOLVING LOAN FUND GRANT PROGRAM

State, tribal, and local governments are eligible to apply for funding to capitalize a revolving loan fund (RLF) and to provide subgrants to carry out cleanup activities at brownfields sites. Applicants may apply for \$1,000,000 to address sites contaminated by petroleum and hazardous substances. Two or more eligible entities may team together to form a coalition to pool their revolving loan funds. Revolving loan funds generally are used to provide no-interest or low-interest loans for brownfields cleanups. An RLF grant recipient may also use up to 40% of the awarded funds to award subgrants to other eligible entities, including nonprofit organizations, for brownfields cleanups on sites owned by the subgrantee. A grant recipient

cannot subgrant to itself. An RLF grant requires a 20% cost share. The performance period of these grants is five years and recipients are selected through an annual national competition. The figures in the table that follows are cumulative totals for all Revolving Loan Fund Grants awarded in New Hampshire since 1994.

Revolving Loan Fund Program	
Recipient	Funding
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services	\$2,251,790
State of New Hampshire	\$2,450,000
Revolving Loan Fund Program Total: \$4,70	
*Funding total current as of May 2009.	

## **CLEANUP GRANT PROGRAM**

State, tribal, local governments and nonprofits are eligible to apply for funding to carry out cleanup activities at Brownfields sites that they own. Applicants may apply for \$200,000 per site to address sites contaminated by petroleum and/or hazardous substances. Cleanup grants require a 20% cost share. Eligible applicants must own the site for which it is requesting funding in order to qualify. The performance period of these grants is three years and recipients are selected through an annual national competition. The figures in the table that follows are cumulative totals for all Cleanup Grants awarded in New Hampshire since 2003.

	Cleanup Grant Program		
Recipient	Site	2009 Funding	Total Funding
Berlin	Burgess School/Notre Dame High School		\$200,000
Durham	Craig Supply Site, Depot Street		\$200,000
	Depot Road Site		\$200,000
Hillsborough	Woods Woolen Mill, 23/25 West Mill Street		\$200,000
Jaffrey	Elite Laundry, 4 Laundry Road	\$200,000	\$200,000
	Elite Laundry, 6 Laundry Road	\$200,000	\$200,000
	Elite Laundry, 10 Laundry Road	\$200,000	\$200,000
Keene	Perkins Machine Shop Property, 92 & 110 Water Street		\$200,000
Nashua	76 Temple Street		\$200,000
	The Boiler House, 90 Pine Street Extension		\$200,000
Raymond	Former Rex Leather Tannery – Lot 43, Corner of Old Manchester Road & Wight Street		\$200,000

Recipient	Site	2009 Funding	Total Funding
Raymond	Former Rex Leather Tannery – Lot 120, Corner of Old Manchester Road & Wight Street		\$200,000
Cleanup Grant Program Total:		\$600,000*	\$2,400,000*
*Funding total current as of May 2009.			

#### **JOB TRAINING GRANT PROGRAM**

State, tribal, local governments and non-profits are eligible to apply for funding to assist residents of communities impacted by Brownfields take advantage of jobs created by the assessment and cleanup of brownfields. Applicants may apply for \$200,000 and must be located within or near a Brownfields Assessment Grant community. The Job Training Grant Program's goals are to prepare trainees for future employment in the environmental field and to facilitate cleanup of brownfields sites contaminated with hazardous substances. The performance period of these grants is two years and recipients are selected through an annual national competition.

# TARGETED BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENTS (TBA)

One of EPA's non-grant programs is the Targeted Brownfields Assessment (TBA) Program. TBAs are conducted by an EPA contractor on behalf of municipalities or non-profits. This is a "grant of services" where an EPA contractor performs the site assessment. The purpose of a TBA is to minimize the uncertainties associated with actual or perceived contamination that complicates the redevelopment of vacant or underutilized properties. The average value of these assessments is \$100,000. There is usually one round of selections per year and applications are accepted at any time. The Brownfields Law expanded the TBA program's eligible sites to also include those contaminated solely by petroleum products. Call Jim Byrne at (617) 918-1389 for more information. Below is a summary of the sites and amount of TBA funding received in New Hampshire since 1997.

EPA Targeted Brownfields Assessments			
Recipient	Site	Approx. Value of Assessment	
Durham	Craig Supply Company, Depot Road	\$70,409	
Franklin	J.P. Stevens Mill, East Bow Street	\$8,697	
Londonderry	Lamont Labs, 6 Perimeter Road	\$30,954	
Milton	Former Tannery Site (Milton Mills), Walter Street	\$165,300	
Newport	Ambargis Mill, 8 Greenwood Road	\$116,748	
Sutton	Henry's Tire Property, Route 114	\$6,818	
EPA-Lead Targeted Brownfields Assessments Total: \$398,926*			
*Funding total current as of May 2009.			

## STATE & TRIBAL BROWNFIELDS FUNDING

States and tribes play a significant role in identifying, cleaning up and redeveloping brownfield properties. EPA provides up to \$50 million annually in grants to states and tribes to establish or enhance their response programs that address the assessment, cleanup, and redevelopment of brownfields. States and tribes can use this funding to establish or expand voluntary cleanup programs, perform environmental assessments and cleanups, capitalize a cleanup revolving loan fund, purchase environmental insurance, establish or maintain a public record of sites, oversee cleanups, and to conduct site specific activities. Below is a summary of the amount of funding received in New Hampshire since 1994.

State & Tribal Brownfields Funding					
Recipient		Year	Funding		
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services		Pre-Law	\$2,159,631		
		2003	\$1,034,031		
		2004	\$1,112,426		
		2005	\$1,144,936		
		2006	\$1,185,519		
		2007	\$1,197,474		
		2008	\$1,195,000		
		2009	\$1,135,250		
State & Tribal Progra	State & Tribal Program Total: \$10,164,267				
*Funding total current	*Funding total current as of May 2009.				
	State Assessments				
Municipality	Site				
Berlin	Fraser Paper Administration Building				
	Notre Dame / Burgess School				
	Pulp and Paper of America, R&D Building				
Bradford	Former Naughton Landfill/Autocraft Site				
Bristol	Bristol Micro Factory				
Center Barnstead	Rogers Property, 72 South Barnstead Road (Route 126)				
Claremont	Monadnock Mills				
Derry	Shamrock Cleaners Site, 3 Railroad Avenue				
Durham	Craig Supply Site				
Greenfield	Former East Coast Steel				
Harrisville	Hafford Property				
Haverhill	Woodsville Railyard				
Henniker	Contoocook Valley Paper				

Municipality	Site	
Hillsborough	Woods Woolen Mill	
Jaffrey	Elite Laundry	
Lebanon	Tide Water Oil Site	
Londonderry	Lamont Laboratories	
Manchester	Bass Island, 310 Second Street	
	Bass Island, 344 Second Street	
Merrimack	Harcros Chemical Site	
	Merrimack Industrial Metals, Post Road Plaza	
Milton	Spaulding Composites Lagoon Site	
Milton Mills	Former Greene Tannery	
Mount Vernon	Kaminski Site	
Nashua	Whitney Screw	
New Boston	Robert Riley Property	
New Ipswich	Seppala & Aho Site	
Northfield	Surrette Battery	
Nottingham	Lee Farm Property	
Plymouth	Kelley's Salvage Yard	
Raymond	Rex Leathers/Regis Tannery	
Rochester	Advance Recycling Site	
Somersworth	Breton Cleaners, 1 Winter Street	
Surry	Bedard's Auto Center & General Store	
Sutton	Carnevale Property (Henry's Tire & Wecking), Route 114	
Tilton	Pillsbury Mill	
Troy	Troy Mills	
Winchester	AC Lawrence Leathers	
State Cleanups		
Municipality	Site	
Durham	Craig Supply Site	
Goffstown	Upreach Therapeutic Riding Center, 153 Paige Hill Road	
Laconia	Mechanic Street School, 259 Mechanic Street	
Peterborough	Wilder Thermometer	
Sutton	Carnevale Property (Henry's Tire & Wrecking), Route 114	

#### **SHOWCASE COMMUNITIES**

Showcase Communities were selected as national models demonstrating the benefits of collaborative activity on brownfields. The communities are distributed across the country and vary by size, resources, and community type. A wide range of support from federal agencies and in the form of tax incentives were leveraged, depending on the needs of each Showcase Community. An important goal of this program was to develop national models that demonstrate the positive results of public and private collaboration to address brownfields challenges. Showcase Communities were selected through a national competition in 1998 & 2000.

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