

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation's (DEC) Contaminated Sites Program



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ROADMAP

- Who We Are – DEC's Brownfield Element
- DEC Brownfield Assessment and Clean-up (DBAC)
- 2015 Outreach and Updates
- 2016 Program Development Tasks

Who we are – DEC Brownfield Element

DEC Brownfield Team:

- Amy Rodman - tribal response program (TRP) grantees
- Christy Howard – cities/municipalities, native corporations
- Kevin Gardner - grant administrator
- Brownfield element exists throughout Contaminated Sites Program (CSP)
- Brownfield sites and work assigned to project managers throughout CSP



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The Contaminated Sites Program protects human health and the environment by managing the cleanup of contaminated soil and groundwater in Alaska.

ABOUT CS



REGULATIONS AND TECHNICAL GUIDANCE



- ▶ Current Regulations and Statutes, and Proposed Regulation Changes
- ▶ Technical Guidance
- ▶ Method Three Calculator

RESOURCES FOR SITE CLEANUP



RESEARCH



- ▶ Contaminated Sites Database
- ▶ Map of Contaminated Sites
- ▶ Contaminated Site Summaries

OF INTEREST



<http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/csp/>



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BROWNFIELDS

WHAT IS A BROWNFIELD?

A **Brownfield** is defined by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as a property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant.

The Small Business Liability and Brownfields Revitalization Act was signed into law on January 11, 2002. The Brownfields Law amended the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) by providing funds to assess and cleanup brownfields, clarifying CERCLA liability protections, and providing funds to enhance state and tribal response programs. The Brownfields Law of 2002 also expanded the definition to include mine-scarred lands making these properties eligible for the benefits of the brownfields program.

BROWNFIELD RESOURCES

EPA Brownfields and Land Revitalization

- ▶ EPA Brownfields
- ▶ EPA Brownfields Grants/Services
- ▶ EPA Brownfields Newsroom Announcements
- ▶ EPA Region 10
- ▶ EPA Brownfields Success Stories
- ▶ EPA Brownfields Contacts

<http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/csp/brownfields.htm>

DEC Brownfield Assessment and Cleanup (DBAC)

Free service:

- Assessment
- Clean-up

Application Period: October → January

Eligible Applicants:

- Tribes
- Cities, Municipalities
- Native Corporations
- Non-Profit Entities



2015 DBAC Projects



Nine Applications

Services Requested:

- Asbestos Monofil Permit Assistance
- Soil Sampling/Assessment
- Structural Assessment
- Hazardous Materials Assessment



2016 DBAC Projects



16 Applications

Services Requested:

- Asbestos Abatement
- Soil & Groundwater Assessment
- Hazardous Building Materials Assessment
- Contaminated Soil Removal



2015 Outreach and Updates

Outreach:

- Alaska Forum on the Environment (AFE)
- American Planning Association – Alaska Chapter
- Southeast Alaska Environmental Conference
- Alaska Tribal Conference on Environmental Management (ATCEM)

Updates:

- DEC Brownfields website
- Alaska STRP Brownfield Handbook



2016 Program Development Tasks

- Continued outreach to engage with regional and village native corporations
 - Eligible for EPA's competitive grants!
 - Investigate partnerships between them, TRP's, villages, municipalities
- Outreach and education effort to real estate professionals
 - Website (Test mode) incorporates:
 - DEC's Contaminated Sites Database & GIS web map
 - Site liability, site risks, brownfield services & funding
 - Solicit input, keep them informed
 - Email listserv, created March 2016



Questions?

- Future training ideas?
- Annual STRP Workshop time and location?
- How can DEC's Brownfield staff can offer assistance?
- Other?

Thank you!