THE PROGRAM IN ACTION

Existing Site - Remnants of former textile mill in Roanoke Rapids

Stakeholder Partnership Action - Roanoke Rapids Graded School District (RRGSD), Smith Sinnett Architecture, UCPCOG, Mid-Atlantic Associates, EPA and NC Brownfields programs partnered to carry out environmental site assessments, community outreach and planning.

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Definition of a Brownfield

“A Brownfield is 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.” - Environmental Protection Agency

UPPER COASTAL PLAIN BROWNFIELDS PROGRAM

Purpose

The Upper Coastal Plain Brownfields Program provides professional and economic assistance to owners and potential purchasers/developers of Brownfields properties with the goal of putting these sites back into beneficial reuse.

Resources & Benefits

- Grant-Funded Site Assessments, Qualifying Clean-Up Plans, Consulting & Activities
- State Liability Relief through Brownfields Agreement (BFA) execution
- Tax Credits for BFA Compliance
- Quantification of Costs for Deal Closure
- Reuse of Existing Infrastructure
- Redevelopment of Underutilized Sites
- Neighborhood & Community Revitalization
- Job Creation and Increased Tax Base
- Protection of Public Health & Environment

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

Environmental Site Assessments

The program can provide a property owner and/or prospective developer with EPA grant supported Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs) to evaluate the potential presence and extent of hazardous and/or petroleum substances.

Cleanup & Redevelopment Planning

The program can provide funding to determine the feasibility and approach of remediation options at a site. A cleanup plan will be considered for sites that have the greatest potential for redevelopment while meeting community needs and reducing environmental risks.

Community Outreach

This program educates and builds regional capacity through outreach, presentations, events, periodic advertisements, newsletters, and direct engagement. Citizens and businesses residing near a site receiving assistance may have the opportunity to learn about and respond to current and planned Brownfields activities and redevelopment plans.

Brownfield Cleanup Grants

Grants of up to $200,000 are available through EPA annually to carry out needed cleanup activities.

TYPICAL BROWNFIELDS SITES

- Former factories, textile mills, & industries
- Previous auto service & fueling stations
- Former dry cleaners
- Agribusiness operations
- Past chemical storage locations
- Old landfills, auto salvage & junk yards
- Sites where suspected contamination or environmental uncertainty is inhibiting reuse or redevelopment from taking place

Partners

Brownfields Coalition Partnership: Advisory Group consisting of representatives from Coalition Member counties and municipalities of the UCP region.

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): Provides funding and technical assistance through Brownfields Grant Programs for site assessment, cleanup and reinvestment.

NC Brownfields Program: Creates Federally Recognized Brownfields Agreement that defines actions required to make a site suitable for intended reuse while protecting public health and the environment and providing liability protection.

Upper Coastal Plain Council of Governments: Administrator of Upper Coastal Plain Brownfields Program.

Tank removal during site assessment work in Enfield, NC