Brownfields & Petroleum

Revitalization in Indian Country

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Today’s Presentation

- Overview of the Petroleum Brownfields Action Plan
- Funding opportunities for both Brownfields and Petroleum Brownfields
Brownfields are 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.

also includes sites contaminated with *petroleum products*, controlled substances and mine-scarred lands

Estimated over 200,000 brownfields across the U.S. with petroleum contamination issues
Petroleum Brownfields Action Plan

• Promotes Revitalization and Sustainability

• Builds on EPA’s Existing Petroleum Brownfields Program
  jointly in managed in EPA by
  – Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization
  – Office of Underground Storage Tanks

• Provides Grants for Assessment and Cleanups
  2002 Brownfields Law specifically allocates 25 percent of grants for petroleum brownfields

• Developed three new tools for brownfields practioners:
  – Fact Sheet- Revitalization Indian Country: Petroleum Brownfields
  – Petroleum Brownfields: Selecting a Reuse Option
  – Petroleum Brownfields: Developing Inventories
Funding and Technical Assistance designed to ensure sustainable land revitalization

- Assessment and Cleanup of Brownfields
- State and Tribal Response Programs
- Targeted Brownfield Assessments
- Job training
- Technical Assistance to Brownfield Communities
Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup Grants (ARC) – ARC hazardous substance funding is available through a competitive grant process to inventory, assess, and cleanup petroleum brownfield properties.
State & Tribal Response Programs

–State and Tribal Response Program (CERCLA 128(a) program)–is available to all states, US territories and federally recognized tribes through a non-competitive grant process to establish and enhance a response program but can include site-specific work to inventory, assess, and cleanup properties contaminated by petroleum.
Targeted Brownfield Assessments (TBA) - The TBA program is a service provided through an EPA contract in which EPA directs a contractor to conduct environmental assessment activities to address the requestor’s needs. These assessments can address petroleum contamination.
Job training funding may be used for training residents in handling and removal of hazardous substances (sampling, analysis and site remediation) at brownfields sites.

Former gas station transformed into a community center offering green job training classes.
Technical Assistance to Brownfield Communities (TAB)

The TAB program is a grant program that provides geographically-based technical assistance and training to communities and other stakeholders on brownfield issues with the goal of increasing the community’s understanding and involvement in brownfield cleanup and revitalization. This technical assistance can address petroleum contamination.
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