

Paying for the Journey: Brownfield Resources: LDEQ Brownfields Program

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Targeted Brownfield Assessments (TBAs)

- Provide Environmental Assessments & Cleanup Planning through our TBA Contractor
 - Phase I Environmental Site Assessment
 - Phase II Investigations
 - Cleanup Planning
- Goal: Facilitate the reuse of a site by addressing environmental concerns



Can be layered with other resources



Funding Fluctuates Regularly - Limited Pot of Funding

LDEQ Targeted Brownfield Assessments (TBAs)

Applicant is involved in the process: **Project Champion**

- Site Access
- Site Information
- Phase I ESA User Responsibilities
- Connect with other project partners
- Facilitate the project moving forward

LDEQ Targeted Brownfield Assessments (TBAs)

Application Process:

- Call Rebecca & Jennifer to talk about the site and make sure it's eligible
- Submit TBA Request Form to LDEQ **as a Word document**
- LDEQ (Rebecca) addresses any blanks, makes sure everything is complete, and sends it back for signature
- Applicant reviews and signs the TBA Request and submits it to LDEQ with the signed access agreement
- LDEQ secures EPA's approval for the project
- LDEQ's contractor conducts the requested work
- Applicant is kept informed along the way and is provided a report and next steps at the end of the project

Previous Environmental Investigations Conducted at the Site: <i>(if none, state "None" under Type of Assessment)</i>			
Type of Assessment:	Cost:	Source of Funding:	Summary of Work:

5. Cleanup, Redevelopment and Economic Development Information

This information is provided to EPA to provide justification for spending Brownfield funding on the site as well as to assist LDEQ's regulatory process. Provide as much information as you have available at the time the request is completed. Plans do not need to be definitive and we understand that they may change as the project progresses.

Describe, in detail, the future redevelopment and/or reuse of the property:

Provide a timeline for redevelopment, including cleanup:

Specific deadlines the prospective purchaser/ current owner is trying to meet:

Anticipated source(s) of funding for cleanup (if necessary):

Source of Funding:	Amount:

Estimated Number of Jobs for the Cleanup:

Estimated Number of Jobs during Construction/ Redevelopment Phase:

Estimated Number of Jobs once Redeveloped:

Estimated Redevelopment / Reuse Cost:

Projected Sources of Funding for Redevelopment / Reuse (add additional lines as needed):

Reuse Funding Source:	Amount:	<input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Applied For <input type="checkbox"/> Committed
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6. Economic and Community Benefits

Brownfield funded focuses on projects that will provide economic and/ community benefits. Please thoughtfully consider the following questions and provide as much information as possible to highlight the future benefits of this project.

What are the economic and noneconomic benefits of the reuse for the community as a whole? What community needs & issues might be addressed by the cleanup and redevelopment of this site (e.g. reducing blight; providing jobs for neighborhood residents; need for additional greenspace; etc.)? Why is this project a priority for your community?

How would you describe the project to a potential investor to get them excited about the project? What's interesting about the site? (e.g. historic event or building; unique architecture; former significance to the community; creative planned reuse; sustainability/ resiliency that will be incorporated into the cleanup or reuse; etc.) - to be noted in EPA reporting:

SECTION E: CERTIFICATION, INDEMNIFICATION, AND LIABILITY RELEASE

All applicants must certify the following with their signature below:

This section must be signed by either a principal executive officer or a ranking elected official of the Applicant and the Current Property Owner.

The undersigned certifies the information submitted is, to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. The undersigned agrees on behalf of the applicant/ current property owner(s) to hereby release, indemnify, and hold harmless the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ), its agents, employees, officers, principals, and successors from all liability, claims, damages, or actions, including attorney's fees and expenses of litigation, that arise or result from the performance of the Louisiana Targeted Brownfields Assessment Services, regardless of whether such liability, claims, damages, or actions are caused in whole or in part by a negligent act or omission of LDEQ, its agents, employees, officers, principals, and successors.

Principal Executive Officer or Ranking Elected Official of Applicant

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Current Property Owner

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Prospective Purchaser/ Developer/ Developer Representative

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

CONSENT FOR ACCESS TO PROPERTY

Complete this section:

Name of Property Owner: _____

If Owner is a Company/Entity, Name of Legal Representative: _____

Site Address: _____

City: _____ State: LA

Zip Code: _____

I hereby consent to officers, employees, authorized representatives of the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) and their contractors, subcontractors and consultants the right to enter the property and continued access and use of by, through, and on the property for the following purposes:

1. The taking of samples, surface and subsurface, including but not limited to soil sediments, water, and air property as may be determined.
2. The documenting of scientific data to taking notes, recordings.
3. The drilling and finishing groundwater samples with.
4. Other inquiry actions at the site and potential threat to human health.

Applicant is Responsible for Obtaining Owners Consent for Access

I am the property owner or an individual authorized by the property owner to sign this access agreement. I give this written permission voluntarily with the full knowledge of my right to refuse and without threats or promises of any kind. This permission is granted for a time period of twenty-four months from the date of signature found below.

Please indicate if you are granting access by signing this document and providing your contact information.

GRANTED (Signature): _____

Date: _____

Complete this section:

Name (Printed): _____

Title: _____

Relationship to Site: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone (Main): _____

Alternate Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Brownfield Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund

- ▶ Low Interest Loans to cover Brownfield Cleanup Costs
- ▶ Flexible Repayment Terms tailored to the Project
- ▶ Nonprofits and Government Entities Eligible for Loan Forgiveness up to 30%
 - ▶ Subgrants may also be available
- ▶ Funding goes to the entity applying for assistance who then hires a qualified environmental contractor
 - ▶ May also be able to use LDEQ Contractors



Louisiana Brownfield Tax Credit

- ▶ *Bill to reinstate the tax credit:*
 - *25% of Assessment Costs*
 - *25% of Cleanup Costs*
 - *Start Date: 1/1/2024*
 - *Sunsets: 12/31/2033*
 - *Stackable with State Historic Tax Credit*
 - *Site must be in DEQ's Voluntary Remediation Program*
- *Proposed last session but didn't make it out of committee*

Brownfield Resources

- ▶ Lots of pots of funding/ resources available for the same activity
- ▶ Limited amount of funding in each pot
- ▶ May need to bring together multiple pots to make a project work

- ▶ We're here to help you navigate the process

