

2024 Louisiana Brownfields Conference 2024

Navigating the Brownfields Maze: Roadmap to Redevelopment

June 5-6, 2024
Docville Farms
5124 E Street, E St Bernard Highway
Violet, LA 70092

Draft Agenda

Day 1: Wednesday, June 5th

8:30am: *Registration, Coffee and Networking*

9:00am: **Opening Remarks/ Welcome**

- *Timothy Rupert, Assistant Secretary, Office of Environmental Assessment, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) (Invited)*
- *St. Bernard Parish (Invited)*
- *Meaghan McCormack, Executive Director, St. Bernard Economic Development Foundation*

Pulling out the Map: Brownfields 101

- *Rebecca Otte, LDEQ Brownfields Coordinator*

9:30am: **Finding Where to Start: Developing your Inventory of Brownfield Sites**

- *Dr. John Sutherlin, Chief Innovation & Research Officer, University of Louisiana Monroe*

Local Perspective:

- *Bryan Ontario, Strategic Initiatives & Research Specialist, Jefferson Parish Economic Development Commission (JEDCO)*

Group Exercise: Developing an Inventory of Brownfield Sites

- *Facilitator: Scott Nightingale, Regional Director for EPA Region 6, Kansas State University Technical Assistance to Brownfields (KSU TAB) Program*

10:50am: *Networking Break*

11:05am: Unlocking the Gate: Is Your Site a Good Fit for Brownfields Funding?

- *Rebecca Otte, LDEQ Brownfields Coordinator*

Group Exercise & Discussion: Which of your sites is a good fit for Brownfield funding?

11:35am: Charting a Course: The Parts and Pieces of a Phase I ESA

- **Moderator:** *Rebecca Otte, LDEQ Brownfields Coordinator*
- **Panel Members:**
 - *Jessica Rury, Leaf Environmental*
 - *Trey Hess, PPM Consultants*
 - *Diana Day, Terracon*

12:15pm: LUNCH – Provided by Louisiana Brownfields Association

1:15pm: Identifying Potential Hurdles and Determining What Road to Take: Performing a Phase I ESA

- *Leslie Etzel, Assistant Regional Director for EPA Region 6, KSU TAB*
- *Rebecca Otte, LDEQ Brownfields Coordinator*

Local Perspective:

- *Adam Tatar, Economic Development Manager/ Brownfields Coordinator, Regional Planning Commission*
- *Ashlyn Holmes, LDEQ Brownfield Project Manager*

2:30pm: Networking Break

2:45pm: Choose Your Own Adventure: Phase II Assessments, RECAP Investigations and Voluntary Remediation Investigations – What's the Difference and How to Choose

- *Jennifer Schatzle, LDEQ Brownfield and Voluntary Remediation Program Technical Liaison*

3:45pm: Which Way to Go? Phase II Case Study, Group Exercise & Discussion

- *Moderator: Rebecca Otte, LDEQ Brownfields Coordinator*

4:40pm: Brownfield Check Presentations (pending grant announcements and grantee preference)

5:30pm: Conclusion of Day 1

Day 2: Thursday, June 6th

8:30am: *Coffee and Networking*

9:00am: **Welcome and Recap of Day 1**

- *Rebecca Otte, LDEQ Brownfields Coordinator*

9:10am: **Navigating a RECAP Investigation under Brownfields**

- *Jennifer Schatzle, LDEQ Brownfield and Voluntary Remediation Program Technical Liaison*
- *Ashlyn Holmes, LDEQ Brownfield Project Manager*

Group Exercise: Developing a Sampling Plan

- *LDEQ Brownfield Team*

10:50am: *Networking Break*

11:05am: **Moving Forward with Cleanup Using Brownfield Funding**

- *LDEQ Brownfield Team*

Group Exercise: Choosing a Path to Cleanup

- *Moderator: Rebecca Otte, LDEQ Brownfields Coordinator*

12:25pm: **LUNCH – Provided by the Louisiana Brownfield Association**

1:25pm: **Paying for the Journey: Brownfield Resources**

- *Roxanne Welch, EPA Region 6 Targeted Brownfield Assessment (TBA) Program Coordinator*
- *Rebecca Otte, LDEQ Brownfields Coordinator*

2:25pm: *Networking Break*

2:40pm: **Gathering your Supplies: Preparing for the next Brownfield Grant Competition**

- **Moderator:** *Leslie Etzel, Assistant Regional Director for EPA Region 6, KSU TAB*
- **Panel Members:**
 - *Adam Tatar, Economic Development Manager/ Brownfields Coordinator, Regional Planning Commission*
 - *Annalisa Kelly, Director of Strategic Initiatives & Policy, Jefferson Parish Economic Development Commission (JEDCO)*
 - *Kari Godchaux, Brownfields Director, City of New Orleans Planning Commission*

Group Discussion/ Exercise: Identifying Target Areas, Partners and Resources

- **Moderators:** *Leslie Etzel, Assistant Regional Director for EPA Region 6, KSU TAB & Rebecca Otte, LDEQ Brownfields Coordinator*

4:15pm: Networking Break

4:30pm: Getting the Lay of the Land: Brownfield Planning Activities to Support Redevelopment

- *Scott Nightingale, Director for EPA Region 6 TAB Program, KSU TAB Program*
- *Leslie Etzel, Assistant Regional Director for EPA Region 6, KSU TAB*

5:00pm: Conclusion of Day 2

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