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BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

Since 2003, the Southwest Region Planning Commission has managed a Brownfields Assessment Program designed to help municipalities in southwestern New Hampshire understand real or perceived contamination of vacant or underutilized properties and to work towards the remediation and redevelopment of those properties. The program is managed by SWRPC staff with the help of a Brownfields Advisory Committee (BAC) and a pool of contracted environmental consultants. The latest grant awarded to SWRPC covering the period 2014-2017 was in the amount of \$400,000 towards brownfield assessment activities.

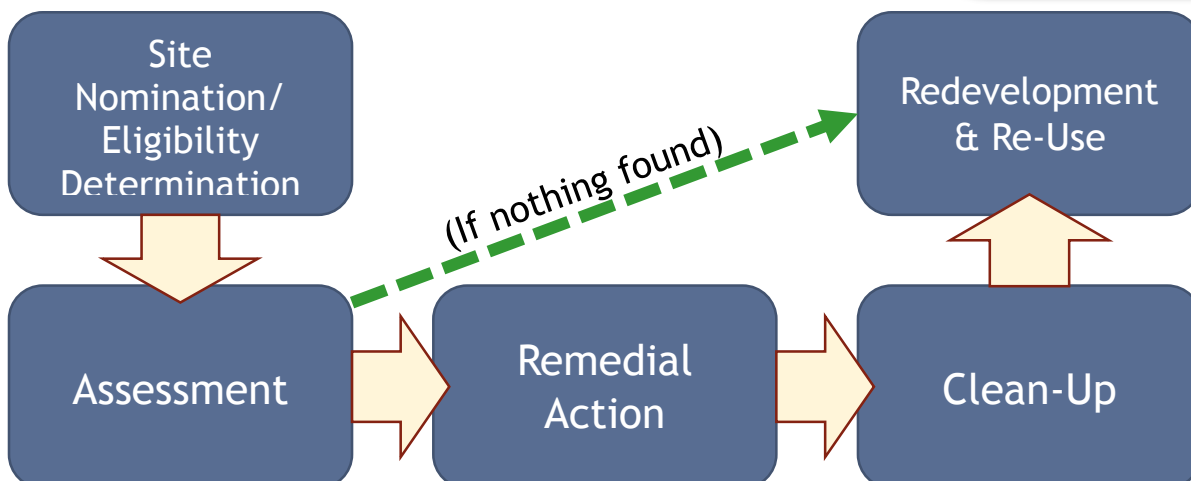
Why Participate?

Contaminated properties are a threat to public health & safety and the economic viability of the property and surrounding area. Participating in the Brownfields Program will make the property more viable for redevelopment. Participation can also offer liability protection for a prospective purchaser or an innocent landowner.

Program Goals

- Protect Environmental Quality
- Eliminate Public Health Threats
- Create & Retain Local Jobs
- Restore & Enhance Local Tax Revenue
- Protect Community Character: Redevelopment vs. New Development
- Support Historic Preservation

Program Overview



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Program Outcomes

Since 2003, 24 sites have gone through the SWRPC Brownfields Assessment Program. This has led to the creation of:

- 5 Community facilities
- 76 Housing Units (Senior & family housing, high-end condos)
- 33 acres of Greenspace
- 155+ Jobs
- Increased tax revenue for 7 municipalities
- The removal of 1,127+ tons of contaminated soil at 9 sites.

How to Participate:

1. Contact SWRPC Brownfields staff.
2. Complete a Site Nomination Form.
3. Property owners must provide written consent for the Commission to proceed with assessment work.

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