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# Minnesota Brownfields News

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### DEED REDEVELOPMENT GRANT WORKSHOPS

Bloomington - October 11

Walker - October 12

Mankato - October 13

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### FALL BROWNFIELD GRANT DEADLINE

DEED, Met Council, Hennepin and Ramsey County  
November 1

### TOD & BROWNFIELDS FORUM

Hosted by MN Brownfields

Late November

Date and program info available soon



## MINNESOTA NEWS

### DEED: \$2M IN REDEVELOPMENT FUNDS AVAILABLE

The Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) will be awarding \$2 million in general fund dollars as well as additional bond dollars for grants through the [Redevelopment Grant Program](#).

Under the program, projects can receive up to 50 percent of costs to pay for land acquisition, demolition, infrastructure and other redevelopment project-related improvements. Click [here](#) for the application, form and instructions. DEED will host workshops on October 11-13 to explain grant details. **Application deadline is January 3, 2012.**

This year, the program has received \$2 Million in General Fund

dollars. With this type of funding, for the first time private redevelopment projects may receive grant funding. Some remaining bond funds may be used to award to public projects or the public infrastructure components of private redevelopments. Questions? Contact Irene Dassier at 651-259-7449 or [via email](#).

### **MPCA TECHNICAL UPDATES**

**CPAH** - Effective immediately, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Remediation Division's analytical methodology for the vast majority of remediation sites will be a short list of seven Carcinogenic Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons (cPAH). However, under certain site conditions the extended list of 25 cPAH compounds will be recommended. A [policy document provides background and situations](#) where the extended list of 25 cPAH methodology applies.

**Air Emissions** - The MPCA Petroleum Remediation Program has updated [Guidance Document 7-09b Air Emissions Screening Spreadsheet](#), effective July 1, 2011, and posted a new version on its website. A list of updates is provided in the spreadsheet. Additional information regarding the air emissions screening process can be found in [Guidance Document 7-09a Air Emission Controls](#).

**Soil Gas** - The Voluntary Investigation and Cleanup (VIC) Program will now be including soil gas as part of the Identified Release for most VIC Assurance Letters. An overview of this change is [now available](#). Please contact Jennifer Haas at MPCA at 651-757-2401 with any questions.

### **MDA WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS AVAILABLE**

Presentations from the MN Department of Agriculture's September 7th Consultants Workshop are now posted on the [workshop website](#).

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Minnesota Brownfields has met with these members of Governor Dayton's Cabinet to discuss brownfields-related issues within each agency:

DEED Commissioner Phillips  
MPCA Commissioner Aasen  
Agriculture Commissioner Fredrickson



Metropolitan Council Chair Haigh

Last winter, Minnesota Brownfields produced a [policy paper](#) and an [Economic fact sheet](#) quantifying the diverse benefits of cleaning up and redeveloping contaminated properties.

## NATIONAL BROWNFIELDS NEWS

### EPA FY12 BROWNFIELD REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has released its [Proposal Guidelines for Brownfields Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup Grants](#)

Grants may be used to address sites contaminated by petroleum and hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants (including hazardous substances co-mingled with petroleum). **Proposal deadline is November 28.** There is one significant change to the Proposal Guidelines for Brownfields Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup Grants in FY2012:

*"Cleanup applicants must prepare a draft Analysis of Brownfields Cleanup Alternatives (ABCA) as part of the community notification requirement and make it available for public review/comment prior to proposal submission and no later than November 14, 2011."*

### EPA RELEASES FINAL TCE ASSESSMENT

The EPA has just released the final Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) Assessment for trichloroethylene (TCE). The TCE Assessment establishes for the first time official risk values for both cancer and non-cancer risk for both oral and inhalation exposures, and is available on line at the EPA's [website](#).

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