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September 2011

UPCOMING EVENTS

MN BROWNFIELDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minneapolis
September 14

ITRC & MINNESOTA POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY LIGHT NONAQUEOUS-PHASE LIQUIDS (LNAPLs)

Hosted by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
Minneapolis
September 20-21

[More Information and Registration](#)

MINNESOTA NEWS

STATE OF BROWNFIELDS ROUNDTABLE WRAP-UP

Minnesota Brownfields held a State of Brownfields Update & Roundtable on August 11 at Leonard, Street & Deinard.

Small groups discussed a number of current brownfield topics, including: Brownfields Funding at the Legislature; Brownfield Reuse in Economically Distressed Areas; Vapor Intrusion Issues; Legal Issues & Redevelopment; New Financing for Brownfields; Innovative Investigation Techniques, Green Remediation & Soil Cleanup Goals. [View breakout group notes.](#)

BROWNFIELD GRANT DEADLINES

The fall grant deadline for MN Department of Employment & Economic Development (DEED), Metropolitan Council, Hennepin and Ramsey grants is November 1, 2011. To learn more about each program or apply:

[MNDEED Contamination Cleanup Grant Program](#)

[Metropolitan Council Tax Base Revitalization Account](#)

[Hennepin County Environmental Response Fund \(ERF\)](#)

[Ramsey County ERF](#)

WELCOME NEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Minnesota Brownfields welcomes the following new members to its Advisory Committee: Denise Beigbeder of Ramsey County, Jenna Fletcher of Trust for Public Land, Brian Kamnikar of the Minnesota Department of Transportation, Alex Klass of the University of Minnesota Law School and Margaret Knowlton of Opus.

We thank the following outgoing Advisory Committee members for their service: Mike Harley, Dave Jaeger, Jim Kelly, and Dan Rogness.

REMEDIATION POLICY UPDATE

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency has a new policy regarding sampling and analysis of Carcinogenic Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons (cPAH) on all remediation sites.

Based upon an evaluation of the likely sources of extended cPAHs in the environment, consistency with the U.S. EPA and other state remediation programs, current limitations of the analytical method, and MDH's recommendations, the MPCA is implementing a Remediation Division Policy on Analysis of cPAHs. [This policy update](#) provides more details on the extended list of 25 cPAHs that should be used to evaluate risk to human health in specific circumstances, as well as the short list that can be applied to the vast majority of remediation sites.

WORKING SPACE NEEDED

Minnesota Brownfields is growing! We are in need of low-cost office space, ideally in southwest St. Paul or the University Avenue area. Needed is working space for 1-2 persons and access to a 10-person conference room. We are open to flexible arrangements (i.e. office space sharing), and are willing to rent month-to-month. Contact Martha Faust at 651-307-4371 or [email](#) to discuss.

NATIONAL BROWNFIELDS NEWS

BROWNFIELDS LEGISLATION PASSES IN CT

Despite a difficult legislative session, the state of Connecticut

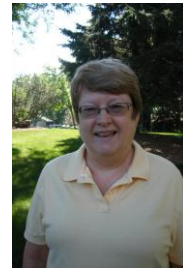
passed legislation to help spur economic development, remediate brownfields and restore the state's position as one of the leaders in brownfield redevelopment.

Public Act 11-141, An Act Concerning Brownfield Remediation and Development as an Economic Driver, supported and signed by Governor Malloy, creates a new program to facilitate the revitalization of brownfields. It also fine tunes and expands the scope of existing programs, resulting in greater clarity and incentives for brownfield developers, municipalities and other stakeholders. [Read the Hartford Business Journal article](#)

EXTRA: VOLUNTEERS POWERING OUR WORK

In the past year, volunteers have begun to support Minnesota Brownfields programs. Meet one of them:

Barb Kiedrowski is Minnesota Brownfields volunteer bookkeeper. She produces a monthly financial statement for presentation to the Board. Barb is a retired banker and has an extensive finance background. She was employed by Wells Fargo and its predecessor companies for over 35 years.



In addition to helping Minnesota Brownfields, Barb is a state certified health insurance counselor. In this role, she does one-on-one in-person counseling with Medicare recipients. This work takes Barb to homes and senior centers across the northern suburbs.

Barb is married and has two daughters (one is Minnesota Brownfields Board member and Treasurer Sara Peterson), and three grandchildren. She and her husband, Tom, live in Maple Grove.

Members provide critical support for Minnesota Brownfields education program, including this newsletter.

Membership benefits include discounted admission to MNB events. [Download a membership application](#) or [visit our website](#) to contribute securely with a credit card.

THANK YOU TO OUR MEMBERS!

Foundation Support

The McKnight Foundation

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Landmark Environmental, LLC
Minnesota Department of Employment & Economic
Development
Saint Paul Port Authority

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Loucks Associates

RAP Development (\$500)

Jon Carlson
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
Real Estate Recycling
Wayne Nelson

Phase II Level (\$250)

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