



BROWNFIELDS WHAT'S NEW

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FY2012 Proposal Guidelines for Brownfields Multi-Purpose Pilot Grants

Proposals due February 10, 2012

The EPA is piloting a new grant program that will provide a single grant to an eligible entity for both assessment and cleanup work at a specific brownfield site owned by the applicant. These grants may be used to address sites contaminated by petroleum or hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants (including hazardous substances co-mingled with petroleum). An applicant may request up to \$200,000 (\$350,000 with a waiver) for assessment activities and \$200,000 for direct cleanup activities at the same site. The total available for each grant is \$400,000 or \$550,000 with a waiver. Only applicants who have received an EPA Brownfields grant in 2003 or later are eligible to apply for the multi-purpose pilot grant.

- [Multi-Purpose Pilot Grant Guidelines \(PDF\)](#) (58 pp, 508K)
- [Frequently Asked Questions \(PDF\)](#) (39 pp, 179K)

New EPA Region 1 Financial Contact

The new contact for payment requests, Financial Status Reports and any other grant related financial issues is:

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EPA Urban Waters Small Grants

Proposals due January 23, 2012



The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency expects to award between \$1.8 to \$3.8 million in funding for projects across the country to help restore urban waters by improving water quality and supporting community revitalization. The funding is part of [EPA's Urban Waters program](#), which supports communities in their efforts to access, improve, and benefit from their urban waters and the surrounding land. Healthy and accessible urban waters can help grow local businesses and enhance educational, recreational and employment opportunities in nearby communities.

Go to <http://www.epa.gov/urbanwaters/funding> for details about the Urban Waters Small Grants program including the Request for Proposal (RFP) and registration for an informational webinar on **January 5, 2012**.



Environmental Justice Small Grants Program

Proposals due February 29, 2012

Since its inception in 1994, the [Environmental Justice Small Grants Program](#) has awarded more than \$23 million in funding to 1,253 community-based organizations, and local and tribal organizations working with communities facing environmental justice issues.

The Environmental Justice Small Grants Program, supports and empowers communities working on solutions to local environmental and public health issues. The program assists recipients in building collaborative partnerships to help them understand and address environmental and public health issues in their communities. Successful collaborative partnerships involve not only well-designed strategic plans to build, maintain and sustain the partnerships, but also working towards addressing the local environmental and public health issues.

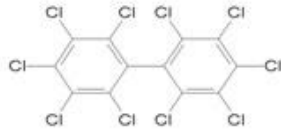
EPA is now accepting grant applications through **February 29, 2012** for \$1 million in funding to support projects designed to understand and address local environmental and public health issues. Funding is available for grants up to \$25,000 each.

- [Environmental Justice Small Grant Request for Proposals \(PDF\)](#) (47 pp, 636K)
- [Environmental Justice Small Grant Request for Proposals \(En Español\) \(PDF\)](#) (50 pp, 588K)

Cleanup of Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) Guidance

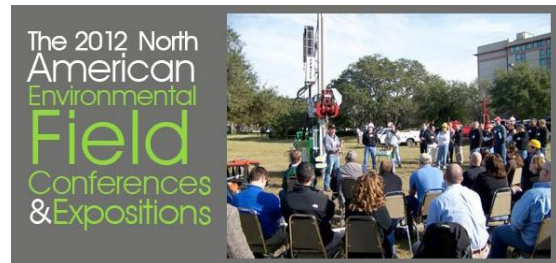
The EPA New England PCB Section has created a [regional resource webpage](#). The

Webpage includes checklists for project reviews, a shortened fact sheet (FAQs), and a PCB Standard Operating Procedure (SOP). It also includes links to the other PCB related information.



The EPA Region 1 PCB Section provides technical assistance to schools, municipalities, states, federal facilities, and private entities. The section reviews and approves PCB remediation projects throughout the New England states to ensure compliance with the TSCA regulations and current guidance documents.

Go to <http://www.epa.gov/region1/cleanup/pcbs/> for more information.



2012 North American Environmental Field Conferences & Expos

February 7-10, 2012 – San Diego, CA

March 13-16, 2012 – Tampa, FL

Advances and Innovations in Environmental Site Characterization, Sampling, Monitoring & Remediation

- More than **60** hours of interactive indoor workshops
- More than **24** hours of hands-on, interactive outdoor workshops and equipment demos
- An educational exposition featuring **40** indoor and outdoor exhibits
- Opportunities for you to network with colleagues and make new business contacts

For more information and to register, go to <http://www.envirofieldconference.com/index.htm>



IEDC Leadership Summit

The [International Economic Development Council \(IEDC\)](#) Leadership Summit is scheduled for **January 29-31, 2012** – registration is still open. Go to <http://www.iedconline.org/LeadershipSummit/Registration.html> to register.



IEDC Federal Economic Development Forum

Registration is now open for the [International Economic Development Council \(IEDC\)](#) Federal Economic Development Forum. Go to <http://www.iedconline.org/FederalForum/Registration.html> to register. Early registration ends on **January 29, 2012**.



2012 National Tanks Conference & Expo

March 19-21, 2012 - St. Louis Union Station Marriott Hotel

The [2012 National Tanks Conference & Expo](#) agenda features sessions covering a wide range of underground storage tank topics – including operator training, remediation technologies, and vital financial issues. In addition to the educational sessions, ample opportunities for informal networking will be provided, allowing you to share knowledge and experiences with fellow attendees. The Expo will once again feature informative booths from states, tribes, and federal agencies, as well as displays from vendors showcasing the latest tanks-related products and services. Go to <http://www.neiwpcc.org/tanksconference/> for more information.

Livability Initiative

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Liability Initiative Resources

Two new livability resources are now available on the [Federal Highway Administration \(FHWA\) Liability Initiative website](#).

- The first resource is the [Creating Livable Communities booklet](#). This booklet provides strategies on how to effectively consider and incorporate livability objectives in transportation investment decisions.
- The second resource is a series of [livability-focused videos](#) that discuss the six livability principles of the [Partnership for Sustainable Communities](#). The videos provide brief testimonials from rural, local, and regional agency staff on how the livability principles have been incorporated.

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Supporting Sustainable Rural Communities Partnership for Sustainable Communities

A new report “[Supporting Sustainable Rural Communities](#)”, published by the Partnership for Sustainable Communities and USDA, is now available on the [HUD – DOT – EPA Partnership for Sustainable Communities website](#).



EPA New England Brownfields Success Story Update

The EPA New England Brownfields program has updated their [Success Story webpage](#) to help you easily find the stories you want to see and added several new success stories.

- Hartford, CT - [School Street Project \(PDF\)](#)
- New London, CT - [Fitch Avenue \(PDF\)](#)
- Hancock, ME - [Sammis Property \(PDF\)](#)
- Sanford, ME - [Aerofab Facility \(PDF\)](#)
- Sanford, ME - [Sanford Mill Site \(PDF\)](#)
- Boston, MA - [Modern Electroplating Facility \(PDF\)](#)
- Fitchburg, MA - [Brownfields Community Profile \(PDF\)](#)
- Holyoke, MA - [Holyoke Transportation Center \(PDF\)](#)
- (Concord, NH - [Allied Leather Tannery \(PDF\)](#))
- Coventry, RI - [Coventry Meadows \(PDF\)](#)
- Providence, RI - [Lincoln Lace and Braid Factory \(PDF\)](#)
- Providence, RI - [The Steel Yard \(PDF\)](#)

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