



Getting the Public Involved

It Can't Be Done Without You

Community opinion and involvement is vital to the success of Brownfields restoration. The EPA Brownfields Project must reach members of the community.

When Brownfields studies identify environmental issues, the solution is always a balance between cost and community benefit. The type of environmental restoration affects the type and amount of cleanup needed, if any. For example, properties restored to business use often require less cleanup than for private home construction. You can help the Commission determine the needs of your community as part of these decisions.

In seeking environmental solutions, the Project incorporates your ideas in seeking the proper balance between protecting human health and the environment and an overall redevelopment strategy to create jobs, generate tax revenues, and attract new residents and businesses.

How You Can Help

The Commission asks that you get involved. Be a part of balanced solutions by your written or e-mail comments, attending public meetings, or participating in the Brownfields Public Field Day. These activities will assist you to understand the process and help shape the progress of our community's redevelopment efforts.

How You Can Get Involved

The EPA requires cities receiving Brownfields grant money to involve members of the community. This occurs by providing opportunities for citizens to educate themselves on Brownfields redevelopment and participate in their community effort. The following opportunities will be available to help engage our citizens in this community effort:

- Public Meetings
- Printed Fact Sheets
- Newspaper Public Notices
- City/Project Website
- City Contact Persons
- Project Public Field Day
- Pilot Information Exhibits

If you have other ideas about how we can increase community involvement, please let us know!

Remember: Be a part of our community Brownfield solutions!

