

Brownfields 2022 Assessment Fact Sheet Big Sky Economic Development Authority, MT

Grant Recipient Information

Name: Big Sky Economic Development Authority Phone: 406-869-8418 Website:

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 8 Brownfields Team Phone: 303-312-6706 Website: <u>https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/r8</u>

Publication Information

Office:	United States Environmental Protection Agency Land and Emergency Management (5105T)
	Washington, D.C. 20460
Publication Number: Publication	EPA-560-F-22-164
Date:	May 2022

Overview of the EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. The Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act of 2002, as amended by the Brownfields Utilization, Investment and Local Development Act of 2018, was passed to help states and communities around the country clean up and revitalize brownfield sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through five competitive grant programs: Multipurpose Grants, Assessment Grants, Revolving Loan Fund Grants, Cleanup Grants, and Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training Grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Assessment Grant

\$500,000

EPA has selected the Big Sky Economic Development Authority for a Brownfields Assessment Grant. Community-wide grant funds will be used to conduct nine Phase I and seven Phase II environmental site assessments and develop four cleanup plans. Grant funds also will be used to prepare a Community Involvement Plan, conduct public meetings, and conduct other community outreach activities. The target area for this grant is the East Billings Urban Renewal District (EBURD). Priority sites include eight brownfields within the EBURD in old commercial and industrial areas, including an auto repair shop, a trucking business, steel facilities, and a warehouse.

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (http://www.epa.gov /brownfields).

The information presented in this fact sheet comes from the grant application; EPA cannot attest to the accuracy of the information. The cooperative agreement is negotiated after the selection announcement. Therefore, the funding amount and activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.