

The TAB Program

Technical Assistance to Brownfields

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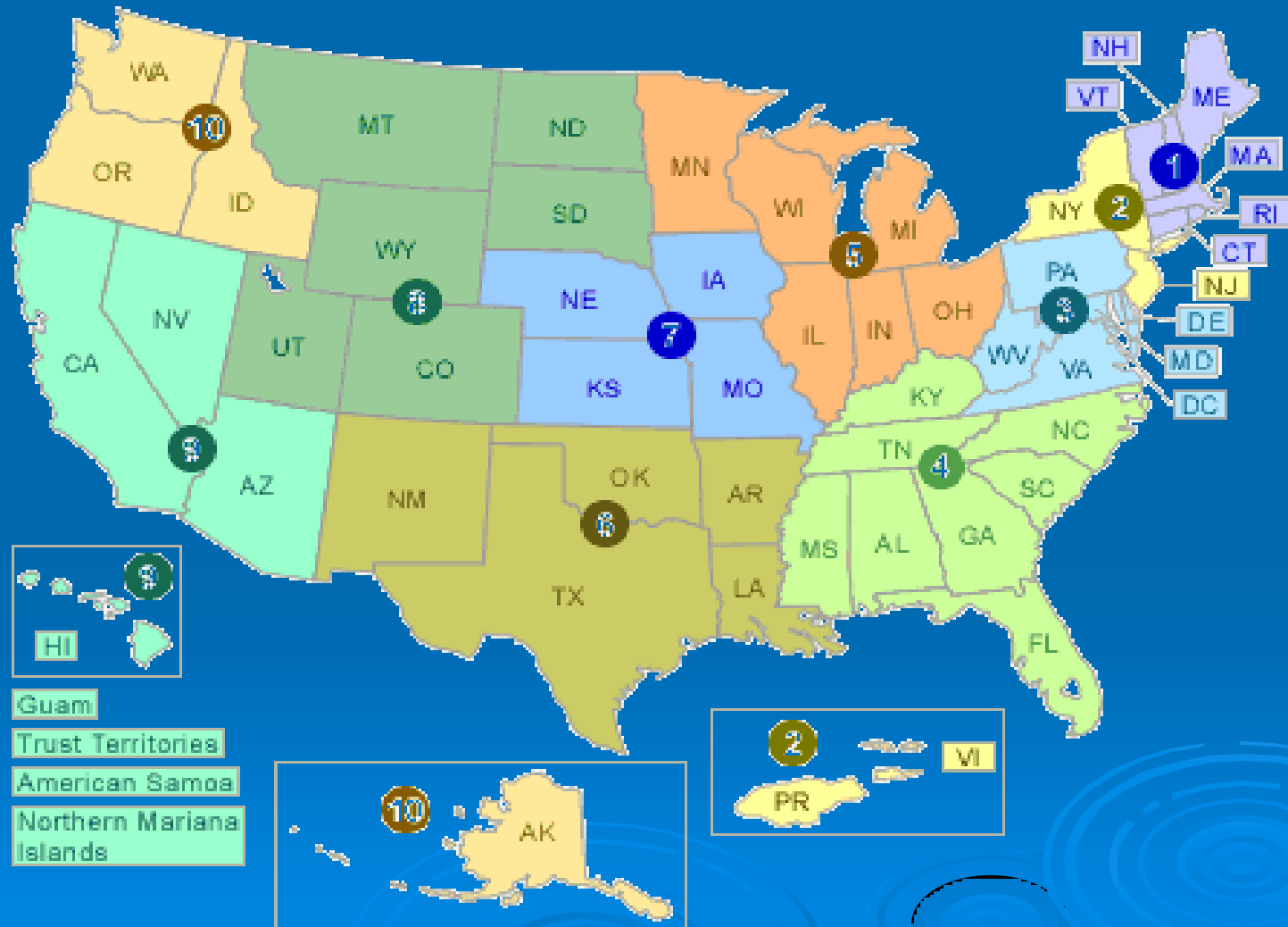
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Technical Assistance to Brownfield (TAB) Communities

- A national program
- Funded by EPA headquarters via grants to 4 different entities
- **Free** to communities
- K-State assists communities in EPA Regions 5 and 7



EPA Regions



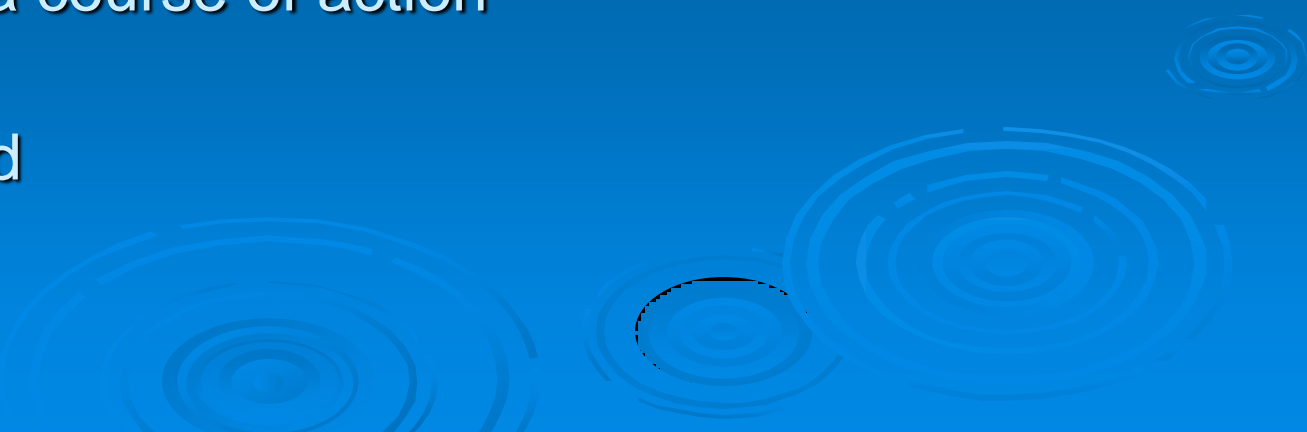
TAB Assistance to Communities

- Tailored to specific community needs
- Typically coordinated through the city, tribal or non-profit brownfields project manager

May include:

- Help identifying funding sources for revitalization projects
- Review of EPA and other grant applications
- Help finding a consulting firm
- Review of project plans, technical reports
- Assistance with community outreach/involvement
- Educational workshops and redevelopment visioning
- Other assistance, as needed and agreed upon
- Communities accepted on a 'first come' basis
- Depends on staff/funding availability

The Application Process

- Contact us
 - We'll set up a meeting to discuss assistance needs
 - Review needs and TAB capability
 - Agree on a course of action
 - Get started
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Community Involvement Tools

Workshops/Training Sessions

- Tailored to the information needs of the community
- Keep audience awake and engaged
- Relaxed atmosphere
- Time for networking
- Variety of presenters
- Hands-on segments
- Very effective !



Community Outreach

Redevelopment Planning



Visioning



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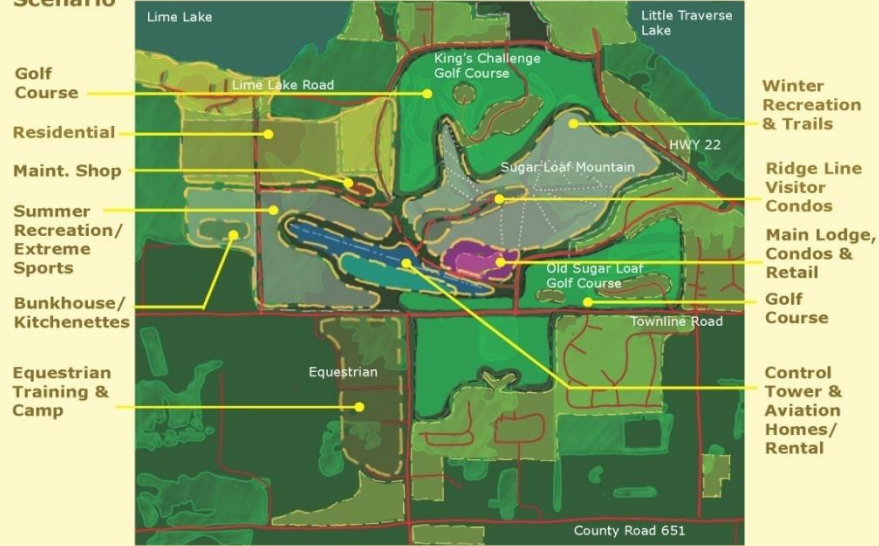
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Potential Redevelopment Scenario #1: Leelanau County Resort Center

County-wide focused redevelopment.



The scenario plan and concept sketches are based on public input, are intended to be flexible, and provide a tool for continued dialog.

Main Lodge & Condos



Retail & Spa Center

Bunkhouse/Kitchenettes



Control Tower & Air Strip

recreation four seasons jobs agricultural heritage green construction local economy

Technical Assistance to Brownfields Communities Program at Kansas State University. Summary of Leelanau County Visioning Sessions August 2009



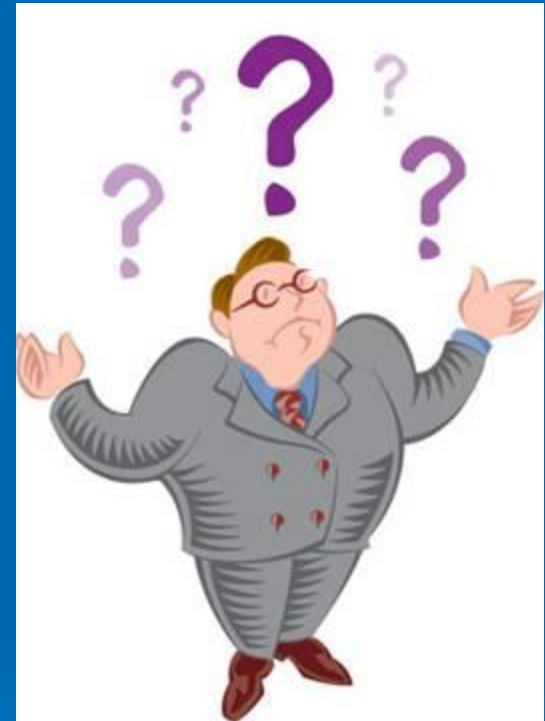
Technical Presentations

Community Meetings



Community Involvement

- Who is the Community?
- Why do it?



- Successful Involvement Techniques

Community Involvement Tools

Fact Sheets, Citizen Briefs

- clear
- concise
- in layman's terms
- basic information
- provide contact info and additional resources

Note: NOT a stand-alone tool

KSU TAB Citizen Briefs

Explore

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[Resources](#)
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Search

Search

Outreach Resources

Publications

Environmental Science and Technology Briefs for Citizens

Brownfields Resources

- [Brownfields Basics \(PDF\)](#)
What is a Brownfield?
- [Institutional Controls \(PDF\)](#)
- [Asbestos: What Is It? Where Is It? \(PDF\)](#)
- [Lead-Based Paint: What Is It? Where Is It? \(PDF\)](#)
- [Phase I Environmental Site Assessments \(PDF\)](#) property owners, investors, borrowers, and lenders.
- [Phytoremediation at Brownfields \(PDF\)](#)
What is it and how does it work?
- [Planning for Community Involvement \(PDF\)](#)
How to develop and implement a community outreach plan.
- [Steps in Choosing an Environmental Consultant \(PDF\)](#)
What to look for before starting your important projects.
- [What are Quality Assurance Project Plans \(PDF\)](#)
How to write and develop a quality assurance project plan.
- [Writing a Request for Proposal \(PDF\)](#)
Communities that receive a Brownfields Pilot Grant typically need to hire a contractor to do an environmental assessment of the property to be redeveloped. This 12-page publication provides guidance for soliciting proposals from contractors.
- [Grant Writing Tips \(PDF\)](#)

<http://www.engg.ksu.edu/CHSR/outreach/resources/>

Community Involvement Tools

Community Outreach

- Community Day/Fair
- Bus Tours
- Walking Tours
- Workshops/Seminars
- Public Meetings



If you feed them, they will come



TAB-BIT

Brownfields Inventory Tool

- Released January 29, 2010
- Free, web-based and desk-top versions

BIT (Brownfields Inventory Tool)

www.tab-bit.org

Stores & Manages Data:

- Site survey & inventory
- Assessment, cleanup, and redevelopment progress
- Public notice records
- Oversight & enforcement
- Reporting

The screenshot shows the BIT website homepage. At the top left is the BIT logo, which consists of a green leaf icon and the text "BiT Brownfield Inventory Tool". To the right of the logo are three links: "Login", "Register", and "Contact Us/Feedback". Below the logo is a navigation bar with the following links: "HOME", "BIT TOOLBOX", "ABOUT", "RESOURCES", "SEARCH", and "HELP".

The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column has two sections: "In This Section:" with links for "Privacy Policy" and "Terms of Use"; and "Quick Links:" with links for "BIT Tutorial" and "Help".

The right column contains the main text of the page. It starts with the heading "BIT Home" and a sub-heading "BIT Home". Below this is a "Welcome to BIT" section, followed by a paragraph explaining the tool's purpose and user requirements. This is followed by a section for "First Time Users" and a section for "Announcements" with two numbered items. At the bottom of the main content area are three large icons: a red toolbox labeled "BIT Toolbox", a grid labeled "Site Inventory Data", and a chalkboard labeled "BIT Tutorial".

At the very bottom of the page, there is a footer with links for "Privacy Policy", "Terms of Use", and "Contact Us/Feedback".

BIT (Brownfields Inventory Tool)

Structure Mirrors the
Brownfields
Redevelopment Process

- Site Identification
- Assessment & Sampling
- Cleanup
- Institutional/Engineering Controls
- Redevelopment/Reuse

The screenshot displays the BIT web application interface. At the top left is the BIT logo (a green tree) and the text 'BIT Brownfield Inventory Tool'. Below the logo is a navigation menu with 'HOME' and 'BIT TOOLBOX'. The 'BIT TOOLBOX' menu is expanded, showing a list of options: 'Site Data', 'Site Information', 'Site Assessment', 'Sampling', 'Cleanup', 'Institutional Controls', 'Redevelopment/Reuse', 'Site Admin Info', 'Complaints', 'Inspection/Oversight', 'Enforcement', 'Funding Summary', 'View/Upload Documents', 'Activity Log', and 'Back to Site Inventory'. Below this menu is a 'Quick Links' section with links for 'BIT Tutorial' and 'Help'. The main content area features a photo of a train accident and a 'Multiple Property Profile Form' section. The form has a pink header 'PART I - Property Information' and a map showing a street intersection with markers. Blue arrows point from the 'Redevelopment/Reuse' link in the menu to the map, and from the 'View Sites on Map' link to the map. In the top right corner, there are links for 'Log Out', 'Edit Profile', and 'Contact Us/Feedback'. At the bottom, there is a footer with 'Privacy Policy :: Terms of Use :: Contact us/Feedback'.

BIT (Brownfields Inventory Tool)

- Start using before writing grants
- Then use to show progress and plans in proposals, for:
 - Survey and inventory of potential brownfields
 - Site statistics in area
 - Priorities for assessment, cleanup, and redevelopment

The screenshot displays the BIT (Brownfields Inventory Tool) interface. The top navigation bar includes 'ABOUT', 'RESOURCES', 'SEARCH', and 'HELP'. The main content area is titled 'Plant B Site: Site Information' and shows a table of site data. A blue arrow points from the 'Site Status' dropdown in the form to the 'In Assessment' status in the table. Another blue arrow points from the 'Data Search / Export' modal to the 'In Assessment' status in the table.

Site Name	Site Status	Street Address/P.O. Box (Address)
Plant B Site	In Assessment	5100 Upper Metro Place
Plant C Site	In Assessment	Lower Metro Place
Plant F Site	In Assessment	Lower Metro Place

The 'Data Search / Export' modal is open, showing a search criteria form. The search criteria include:

- Search Field: Dublin OH BF Program
- Site Information: [Dropdown]
- Site Status: [Dropdown] Match Exact [Dropdown] In Assessment
- Current Zoning: [Dropdown] Match Exact [Dropdown] Industrial
- Redevelopment/Reuse: [Dropdown]
- Rail (Other Improvements): [Dropdown] Match Exact [Dropdown] Yes [Remove]
- Access Roads: [Dropdown] Match Exact [Dropdown] Paved [Remove]
- Gas (Utilities Present): [Dropdown] Match Exact [Dropdown] Yes [Remove]
- Electric (Utilities Present): [Dropdown] Match Exact [Dropdown] Yes [Remove]
- Sanitary (Sewer): [Dropdown] Match Exact [Dropdown] Yes [Remove]

Buttons at the bottom of the modal include 'Add a New Category', 'Search', and 'Blank Template'.

Special Projects

Web - based software: TAB EZ

www.tabez.org



The screenshot shows the homepage of the TAB EZ website. At the top left is the TAB EZ logo, which consists of a stylized tree icon and the text "TAB EZ". To the right of the logo are navigation links: "Login", "Register", and "Contact Us / Feedback". Below the logo is a horizontal menu with the following items: "HOME", "GRANT APPLICATIONS", "RESOURCES", "SEARCH", and "HELP".

The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column contains two sections: "In This Section:" with links for "Home Page" and "About TAB EZ"; and "Quick Links:" with links for "Sample Grant Applications", "Tutorial", "Definitions", and "Acronyms".

The right column contains the main content, starting with the heading "Home" and "Welcome to TAB EZ". Below this is a sub-heading: "Technical Assistance to Brownfields communities (TAB) easy brownfields grant application (EZ) software program". The text describes TAB EZ as a grant writing tool for EPA brownfields grant proposals, currently addressing assessment and cleanup grants. It lists what TAB EZ can do (provide a framework and strategies) and what it cannot do (write specific requests). A prominent red text announcement states: "!!!The deadline to submit your FY2011 grant proposal is October 15, 2010!!!". Below this, it provides links for assessment and cleanup grant amendments.

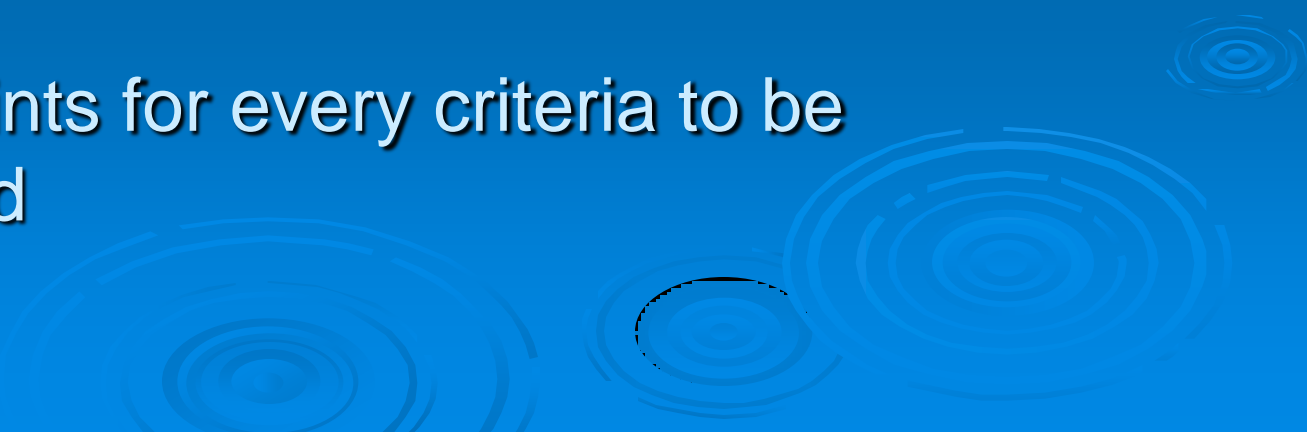
At the bottom of the page, there are two icons with text: a house icon with "GRANT APPLICATIONS HOME" and a chalkboard icon with "TAB EZ TUTORIAL".

TAB EZ

- Free tool to assist in writing EPA brownfields assessment and cleanup grant applications
- Lots of support and helpful hints



Features and Benefits to Users

- User friendly and can be accessed anytime at the user's own pace
 - Integrates Brownfield education with online support: definitions, regulatory citations and pertinent federal/state web links
 - Helpful Hints for every criteria to be addressed
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