Montana Matching Funds

For Brownfields Projects

EPA Brownfields

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.



Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

Reclamation and Development Grants Program

RDG Program Purpose & Funding

- Repair, reclaim, mitigate environmental public resources from non-renewable resource extraction
- Develop & ensure quality of public resources for the benefit of all Montana citizens
- Resource Indemnity Trust
 - 1) the resource indemnity and groundwater assessment tax (RIGWAT)
 - 2) oil and gas tax revenues

Types of Projects Funded

- Abandoned mines
- Abandoned oil and gas wells
- Brownfields
- Voluntary cleanup
- Research
- Crucial state needs

The Reclamation and Development Grants Program is NOT regulatory.

Natural Resources

- Surface water
- Groundwater
- Soil
- Air
- Minerals
- Vegetation
- Fish and Wildlife

Note: Buildings are not a natural resource.



Brownfields Sites





Planning Grants

- Site assessment, grant writing
- up to \$50,000
- Match required
- Flexible
- Simple 5 page application
- Due August 15, 2013
- Subsequent cycles will be based on available funds remaining.

Project Cleanup Grants

- Up to \$300,000
- Project implementation
- Applications due May 15, even years
- Funded directly by Legislature
- Match required
- Phases of projects



Ranking for both Planning and Cleanup Grants

- Degree of benefit to natural resources
- Need and urgency
- Technical design
- Explanation of project (who, what, where, when, why, how)

Eligible Applicants

- Cities
- Towns
- Conservation Districts
- Counties
- County Water Districts
- County Sewer Districts
- Irrigation Districts
- Tribal Governments
- Schools
- Universities

Match

State of Montana dollars



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