

working for clean rivers

Accept grant in the amount of \$500,000 from U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for Brownfield Assessment

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Portland Brownfield Program at BES provides technical and financial assistance to address contamination on public and private properties.

We secure funding from multiple sources, primarily federal grants, so that environmental issues are not an obstacle to site reuse.









Biden Administration Announces \$254 Million to Tackle Polluted Brownfield Sites

EPA announces 265 communities to receive Brownfields Cleanup, Assessment and Revolving Loan Fund Grants to help build a better America while advancing environmental justice

May 12, 2022



In May 2022 EPA announced that Portland's latest application for competitive brownfield funding was successful.

EPA awarded \$500,000 to Portland for environmental site assessment and cleanup planning over the next four years.

Today's Ordinance gives us authority to accept the grant funds.



We've provided environmental support on projects led by many community partners, including:

> Hacienda CDC Habitat for Humanity

Portland Community Reinvestment Inititative

Sabin CDC

Black United Fund

BRIDGE Housing

Proud Ground

Innovative Housing

Oregon Food Bank

Portland Housing Bureau

Since 1998, **Portland's Brownfield Program** has provided environmental investigations on more than 70 properties totaling over 100 acres and contributed to the development of:

18) Parks/Green Spaces

2) Community Gardens/Urban Farms

28) Non-profits

31) Small Businesses

780) Affordable Housing Units

Brownfield projects

- protect watershed health
- address environmental disparities
- help Portland reach our land use goals
- improve neighborhood livability
- contribute to our tax base
- support public health

The focus of this grant is:

(1) East Portland projects with community benefit,

and

(2) projects anywhere in
Portland that support the shelter-to-housing
continuum, including new
affordable housing like
these past projects







Beatrice Morrow Apartments

cleanup of a chemical storage site, now affordable housing developed by Prosper Portland and PCRI



the Songbird

battery recycling facility cleaned up in partnership with Port City Development, Albertina Kerr, and BRIDGE Housing to create affordable housing. 85% of units are sized for families

both of these projects, and four of our other sites, employ the N/NE Preference Policy