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## SMPDC's Brownfields Assessment Program Application

Southern Maine Planning and Development Commission (SMPDC)'s Brownfields Assessment program provides funding for the assessment of sites with known or prospective environmental contamination. Before a site can be eligible for EPA Brownfields clean-up and abatement funding, the site must be assessed to determine exactly what contamination exists, and the parties responsible for that contamination. Work covered under our assessment program includes Phase I Environmental Site Assessments (ESA), Phase II ESAs and supplemental sampling, and Hazardous Building Materials Surveys (HBMS). General site selection criteria can be found at the end of this application.

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

<b>Date:</b>		
<b>Applicant Name:</b>		
<b>Mailing Address:</b>		
<b>City:</b>	<b>State:</b>	<b>Zip:</b>
<b>Phone:</b>	<b>Email:</b>	
<b>Relationship to the site:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Owner</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Prospective Purchaser</b>
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other, please describe:</b>	
<b>Owner name and contact, if different from applicant:</b>		

### SITE INFORMATION

<b>Site Name:</b>		
<b>Site Address:</b>		
<b>City:</b>	<b>State:</b>	<b>Zip:</b>

<b>Map/Lot Number:</b>  *Please also attach a site plan or parcel map indicating the site, if possible.	<b>Lot size:</b>
<b>Describe the current site characteristics, existing structures, and uses:</b>	
<b>Describe any known previous owners or uses of the site:</b>	

**ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS**

<b>Is there any known or suspected environmental contamination? If so, describe:</b>
<b>Have there been any previous site investigations (Phase 1 ESA, Phase 2 ESA, other sampling, etc.) If so, please attach or email:</b>

**REDEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL**

<b>What are the future redevelopment ideas/plans for the site? Please attach or email any development plans, if applicable.</b>
<b>What is the project timeline?</b>

**How is the rest of the project going to be funded, outside of EPA Brownfields sources?**

**COMMUNITY BENEFIT**

**How will the potential reuse of this property benefit the community? Is the town supportive of potential redevelopment?**

**Is there any potential job creation, economic development, public amenities or open space, or new housing associated with reuse of the site?**

**Will clean-up and or redevelopment of this site have any positive impacts on underserved, disadvantaged or minority populations? If so, how?**

## **General Site Selection Criteria**

1. Community Value or Benefit
  - Resue and clean up has a benefit to the overall community.
  - Reuse of the site is consistent with the municipality's local plans, and/or SMPDC's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
  - Proximity to SMPDC's assessment target areas, and priority areas for economic growth and development.
  - Creation, preservation, and/or maintaining greenspace, public access to land, recreation opportunities, parks, etc.
  - Potential for positive impacts or outcomes for disadvantaged or minority populations and underserved communities.
  
2. Economic Development Benefits
  - Redevelopment potential, and/or developer interest in the site
  - Potential for job creation, workforce/affordable housing, and/or sustainable economic development in the surrounding area spurred by redevelopment.
  - Potential increase to the tax base
  
2. Environmental Clean Up and Sustainability
  - Potential reduction, elimination, and/or control of threats/risks to human health, especially disadvantaged populations, and the environment.
  - Ability to implement cleanup actions if/when contaminants are identified
  - Planned use of sustainable rehabilitation or construction practices
  - Potential for redevelopment to increase climate resiliency, reduce flood risk, incorporate clean energy, sustainable building design, etc.
  
3. Long-term Feasibility of Project
  - Ability to leverage additional funding or other resources.
  - Likelihood for successful redevelopment, reuse, and/or revitalization.
  - Availability of existing infrastructure, highway/railroad corridors, and municipal services to support redevelopment.
  - Interest and presence of a willing owner, buyer, or other stakeholder to invest in the property and to provide access to the property for investigation.

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