How a Brownfields Assessment Grant Works

A Brownfields Assessment Grant covers the costs of Phase I-IV environmental site assessments (ESA). Each phase builds off of one another. These can be helpful for redevelopment related expenses including financing a purchase, starting construction, or simply for informational purposes. The process can be stopped at any time, and results are never used to enforce remediation. Once an owner completes this program, there are additional grant opportunities to cover the actual remediation (cleanup) costs.

PHASES

1 Phase I

A Phase I ESA includes land, title, and historical searches will be performed in order to determine if there are any previous uses that indicate an environmental issue.

2 Phase II

A Phase II ESA requires an access agreement which allows the consultant to enter your property and gather small samples of any suspect materials.

3 Phase III

A Phase III ESA requires additional sampling to be taken to determine if containments are localized or dispersed throughout the site.

4 Phase IV

A Phase IV ESA compiles all the information found in phases I-III and creates a remediation plan which details the steps necessary to remove containments.