

**The Western Brownfields Wire: EPA Regions 8, 9 & 10** Connecting Western Brownfields Stakeholders and Efforts across the U.S.

# The WBWire: Spring 2013

EPA announced that 19 entities from EPA Regions 8, 9, and 10 will receive \$7.4 million to assess, clean up and redevelop contaminated properties. These new grants will help western communities address brownfield properties, boost local economies and leverage jobs while protecting public health and the environment. A total of \$62.5 million in funds is being awarded nation-wide through EPA's Brownfields Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup grant competition.

**EPA News Release** 

View the 2013 Brownfields Grant Recipients

EPA also recently announced the <u>new Brownfields Area-Wide Planning grant</u> <u>recipients</u>. In the western regions, the City of Minot, ND; the Environmental Health Coalition, National City, CA; and the City of Vancouver, WA will receive \$200,000 each for Brownfields area-wide planning.

Check the <u>WBWire group Web page on Linkedin</u> for funding opportunity updates.

#### Newsletter Spotlight

Planning on attending the <u>National Brownfields Conference</u>? Don't miss the opportunity to meet up with EPA staff at your regional open house on Wednesday May 15, 2013, from 2:00 p.m.—3:30 p.m. See the conference agenda for location information.

A Brownfields Reauthorization Bill is in the Senate. Smart Growth America has published its summary of the bill as it stands. <u>Summary of the bill</u>.

Also from Smart Growth America...western communities lead the way to complete streets. <u>Read more</u>.

### **Projects at-a-glance**



Capital Area Development Authority in Sacramento, California, used a Brownfields loan from the California Department of Toxic Substances Control to clean a property that will be redeveloped with 116 new artist loft apartments. Pictured left: Valentine's Day groundbreaking for the new artists lofts at the historical R Street warehouse in Sacramento.

#### State and Tribal Brownfields

On page 3 of the link (click headline above), read about the first phase of the Lions Gate Development in Murray, Utah; check out the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality's Brownfields Program's assistance to the town of Parker with asbestos abatement for a town hall, police station and public library; and learn about a proactive approach to land acquisition by the Confederated Tribes of the Collville Reservation.

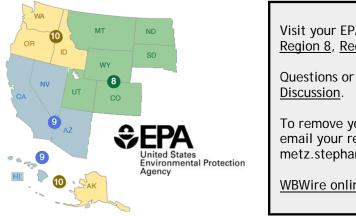


Lions Gate Development, Utah

## Save the Date: Upcoming Grant and Training Opportunities

August 19-22, 2013: Tribal Lands and Environment Forum, Santa Ana Pueblo, New Mexico.

Summer/Fall 2013: EPA Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, Cleanup and Area-wide Planning Grant request for proposals will be issued. \*Stay tuned for in-person and online grant training opportunities.\*



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