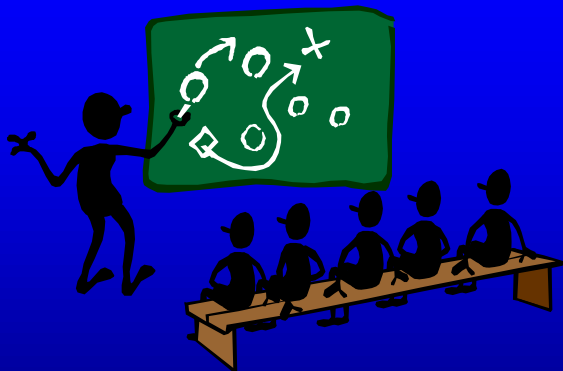




RLF Workshop – April 6&7, 2017

Southbridge, MA



What is Our RLF Story?



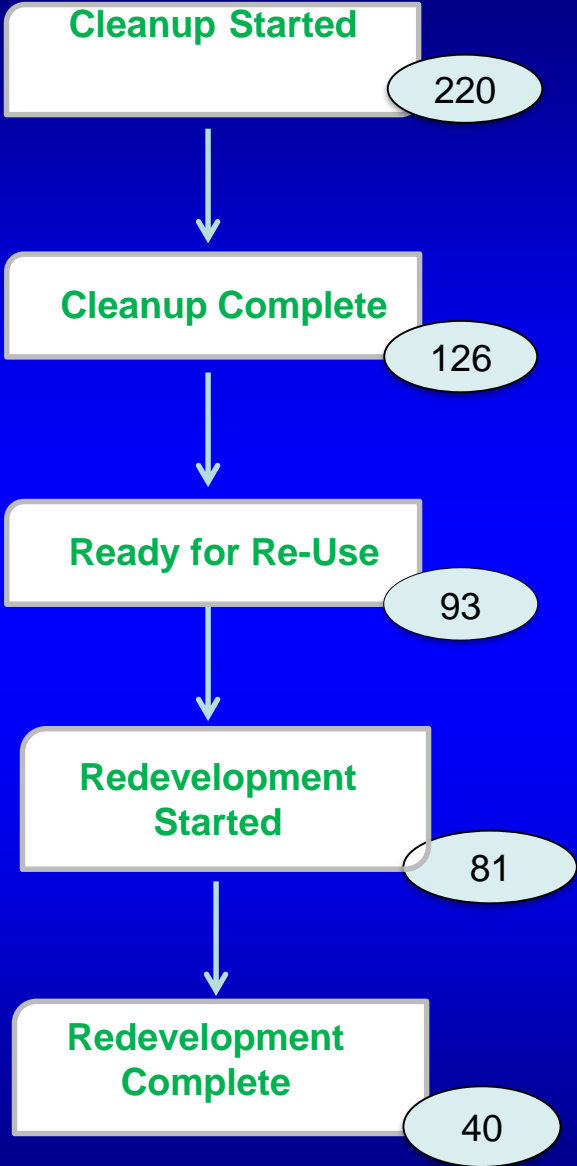
RLF Accomplishments

The RLF Story by the Numbers (Region 1):

- **\$101.1M** Total RLF Program Investment
- **117** Funded Cleanup Completions (\$864k per)
- **333** Acres Made Ready for Re-Use (\$303k per)
- **2,576** Jobs Leveraged (\$39k per)
- **\$498M** Leveraged (5:1)



RLF Program
to Date in R1:
\$101.1M total





Who Needs to Use ACRES?

Everyone!

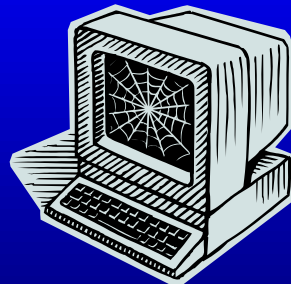
- **All Grantees** are required to use ACRES to input Property Profile Form data.





What Is ACRES?

- Web-based reporting tool tracks your RLF cleanup milestones, redevelopment info, jobs and dollars leveraged, and other key data.
- Eliminates paper Property Profile Forms and also help to achieve goals under Paperwork Reduction Act





Tell Your RLF Story

- What do RLF Grantees Do?
 - ✓ Spend Money
 - ✓ Leverage Resources
 - ✓ Clean Up Sites
 - ✓ Redevelopment
 - ✓ Revolve



When Do We Use ACRES?

- When Loan/Subgrant Agreement Is Issued
 - ✓ Associate property record to RLF
 - ✓ Not before then, since not all RLF deals happen
- When Cleanup Activities Begin
 - ✓ Cleanup activities in the field
 - ✓ Coordinate reporting with cleanup grant (if any)





When Do We Use ACRES?

- Cleanup Completion
 - ✓ Completion date (definition)
 - ✓ Jobs and dollars leveraged
- Post-Cleanup
 - ✓ Engineering controls/Institutional controls
 - ✓ Redevelopment dates, jobs, and dollars
- Quarterly Report Time (coming soon)





Why Do We Have ACRES?

The Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) requires federal programs to demonstrate programmatic results for funding received and/or requested. As such, the success of each federal program hinges on its ability to produce verifiable results and outcomes.





Why Do We Have ACRES?

So what does this mean?.....

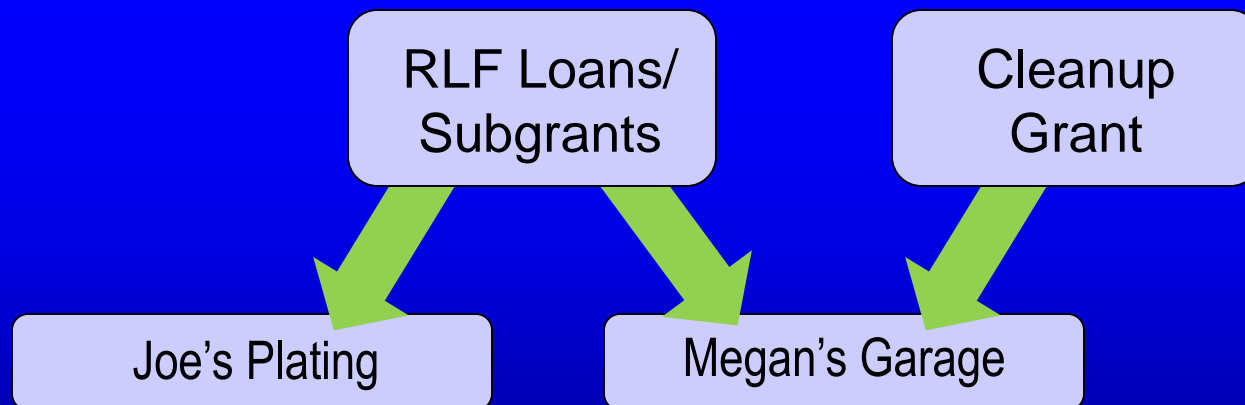
That in order to justify and continue funding the Brownfields program we have to collect and report data on our accomplishments





Data Organization in ACRES

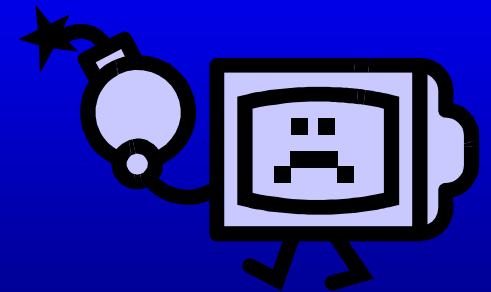
- Each Cooperative Agreement is one record in ACRES
- A single property may be associated with more than one grant





Common RLF Issues with ACRES

- ✓ Sites vs. properties
- ✓ Duplicate property records
- ✓ Importance of dollars and jobs leveraged
- ✓ Cleanup completion date definition
- ✓ Reporting Program Income spent





Your Data Helps EPA Tell the RLF Story

- ✓ Analyze data across CAs to demonstrate and improve the success of the Brownfields Program
- ✓ Respond to Congressional inquiries, FOIA requests, ad hoc analysis requests, and budget-related queries
- ✓ Track and report Program goals and accomplishments
- ✓ Create communication and outreach materials

Brownfields At A Glance – July 2010

Former Brownfield Brings Opportunity for Physical Fitness

Address: 2712-18 N. 7th Street, West Monroe, LA 71291
Property Size: 0.23 acres
Former Use: Dry cleaner, cabinetless, electronics store, interior design store, and radio station
Current Use: Fitness Center

EPA Grant Recipient: The City of West Monroe, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, City of West Monroe Brownfields Assessment grant in 2000.
Project Partners: Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, City of West Monroe Brownfields Program

PROJECT BACKGROUND:
 A prime commercial location and highway improvements made this partially abandoned parcel with two buildings attractive for redevelopment; however, one building's former use as a dry cleaner clouded the site's reputation. Meticulous environmental assessments were conducted at the site since the dry cleaner closed in 1990, and potential ground water contamination was found in connection with the dry cleaning business. The owner of the property (who had never operated the dry cleaner) inherited both buildings from his late father in 1999. In July 2001, the property owner agreed to participate in the City of West Monroe's Brownfields Assessment Pilot. An EPA Brownfields Assessment grant to the City of West Monroe, along with leveraged funding from the property owner, paid the \$55,000 cost of the assessment in 2003. The assessment indicated that concentrations of trichloroethylene and other contaminants in subsurface soil and ground water exceeded Risk Evaluation/Corrective Action Program (RECAP) levels. The proposed remedial design for the site included implementation of ground water use restrictions and elimination of soil exposure pathways via an impervious cap. Based on these findings, the property owner entered into a Voluntary Remedial Action Cooperative Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality in November 2003, and developed a Remedial Design and Project Plan to address risks at the site and undertake its cleanup.

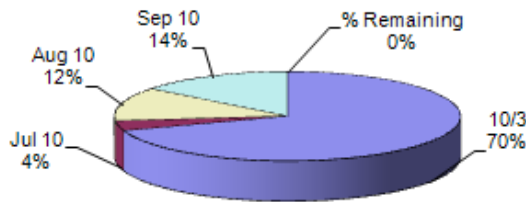
Key Accomplishments:

- Parking lot barrier and institutional controls limit exposure to contaminants at the site.
- Remediation demolished abandoned dry cleaner building and provided additional parking for viable commercial building.
- \$6,000 in private funding was leveraged for site assessment and remediation.

Outcomes:
 Cleanup was completed on February 8, 2007. Remediation included institutional controls prohibiting the use of ground water at the site, and the installation of a barrier to prevent exposure to impacted soils. Originally, the 23 acre property included two buildings, the dry cleaner and one that had a variety of uses over the years. The property owner's redevelopment plan was simple: demolish the vacant dry cleaning building while leaving the other intact, and build a parking lot to serve as both a cap over the impacted soils and a way to increase parking for the intact viable building. The City of West Monroe's Brownfields Redevelopment Program provided financial and technical support to both assess and remediate the site, to improve the appearance and business environment in the area, and to encourage economic growth. The property was recently sold, and its new owner now operates a successful fitness center in the site's remaining building.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Visit the EPA Brownfields Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/> or call EPA Region 6 at (214) 665-0780

Properties Assessed
Goal: 1,098 properties assessed
Current Value: 1,326
National Goal Met!

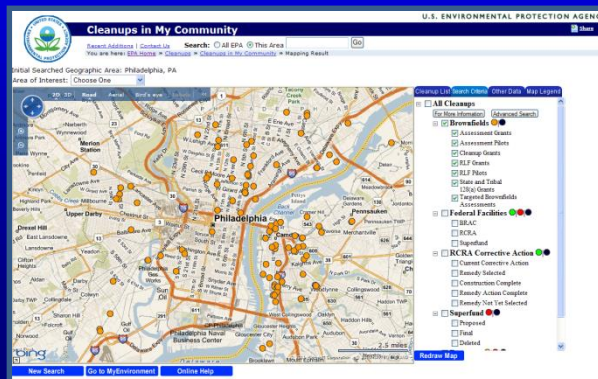


Brownfields Program Analysis – Sept 2010



Are My Data Publicly Available? Yes!

- **Cooperative Agreement Information**
 - ✓ Brownfields Grant Fact Sheet Search Tool
 - http://cfpub.epa.gov/bf_factsheets/index.cfm
- **Property Data**
 - ✓ Cleanups in My Community (CIMC)
 - <https://www.epa.gov/cleanups/cleanups-my-community>
- **Brownfields Program data are highly visible – therefore data quality is very important**





How Can ACRES Help Me?

- Build your case locally
 - Show leveraged funds and increased tax base
 - Build public awareness/support for brownfields
- Write subsequent proposals
 - Programmatic Capabilities, Outputs and Outcomes, Leveraging
 - RLF Supplemental Funding Requests



Recent Enhancements

- Google Maps Function
- ZIP Code Automation
- Reporting Cost Share
- Reporting Program Income Spent

Coming Soon:
- Quarterly Reporting





Example Cleanup Completion

https://cfext.epa.gov/acres/index.cfm?fuseaction=property.show | Brownfields ACRES 5.0

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Environmental Cleanup Information Collapse

(mandatory for Cleanup and RLF Cooperative Agreements and State & Tribal Property-Specific Cleanups; as available for Assessment Cooperative Agreements and TBAs)

Cleanup Activity Start Date ? 04/22/2013	Cleanup Activity Completion Date ? 10/17/2014	Cleanup Completion Documentation ? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Further Action Letter <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Professional Certified	Delete Activity
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Date No Further Action/Cleanup Completion Document Issued ?
10/17/2014
(If the property was not enrolled in a state or tribal program, leave blank)

Acres Cleaned Up ?

Property Size: 6.75 (total acres cleaned up cannot exceed property size)

Date of Form	Acres Cleaned Up
01/30/2015	6.75

Number of Cleanup Jobs Leveraged: ?

Date of Form	Jobs Leveraged
01/30/2015	1



RLF Funding Sources

Brownfields ACRES 5.0 - Internet Explorer

Update Funding

Source of Funding ?	Name of Entity Providing Funds	Activity Funded	Amount of Funding Expended
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- Brownfields RLF Grant Funds Loaned
- Brownfields RLF Grant Funds Subgranted
- Brownfields RLF Program Income Loaned
- Brownfields RLF Program Income Subgranted
- Cost Share
- Other Federal Funding
- State/Tribal Funding (non-section 128(a))
- Local Funding
- Private/Other Funding



Example RLF Funding Mix

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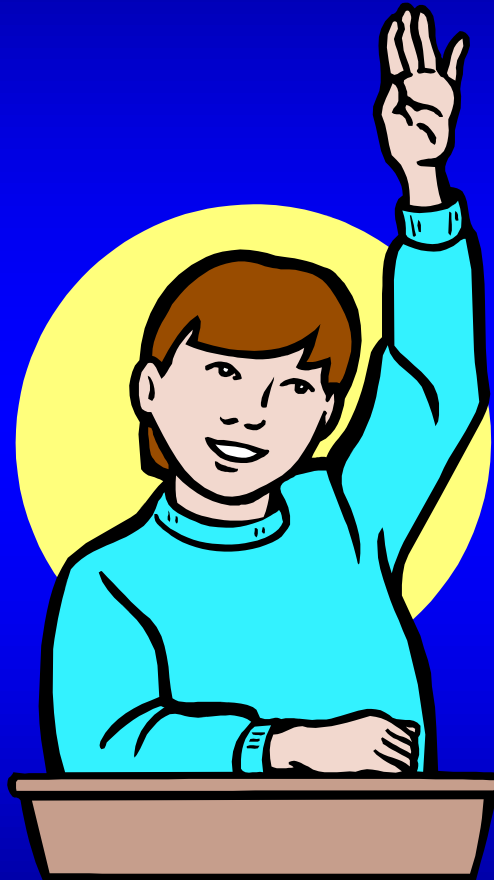
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Cost Share	private developer	asbestos abatement	100000.00	
Private/Other Funding	private developer	asbestos abatement	200000.00	
State/Tribal Funding (non-section 128(a))	DECD State Grant	demolition	200000.00 x	
- Select One -				

Save Funding

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Questions?



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