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John Adams supervises all aspects of Missoula's brownfields program, including grant writing, performance, and reporting. John also serves as Environmental Certifying Officer for both the City and County of Missoula, completing environmental impact analyses associated with federal and state funding. John holds a PhD in environmental policy and recreation management from the University of Montana's College of Forestry and Conservation.

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Brent Anderson serves as Chief Executive Officer of International Risk Group, LLC, and is former President and Corporate Counsel for Cherokee Environmental Risk Management. With over 15 years of experience as an engineer, attorney and entrepreneur in the impaired asset industry, Mr. Anderson has negotiated and successfully resolved complex impaired asset transactions involving Superfund, hazardous and solid waste, underground storage tanks and mining liabilities. His wide range of knowledge in obtaining relief from regulatory agencies and in negotiating complex transactions has earned him a solid reputation. He has started and managed environmental consulting and remediation construction companies and has completed over \$50 million worth of emergency response, hazardous waste remediation and mine reclamation projects. Mr. Anderson is published in numerous technical and legal journals and is an adjunct professor at Colorado School of Mines and the University of Denver. He received a JD from the University of Denver, an ME in Geological Engineering from Colorado School of Mines and a BS in Geology from Montana State University.

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Pankaj joined EPA in 2003 and has worked in the Office of Inspector General and the Superfund Program. Prior to joining EPA, Pankaj worked in the World Wide Operations at Sun Microsystems and IBM in various senior management positions. At Sun Microsystems his annual budget was about \$200 million. Pankaj is a trained engineer with degrees in Nuclear Engineering and Environmental Engineering. Also, he is a LEED Accredited Professional and has an in-depth understanding of energy efficiency and sustainable growth initiatives. Pankaj is actively involved with the climate change issues and energy efficiency projects. He also worked as an environmental consultant for many years. His major areas of expertise include remediation, redevelopment, renewable energies, climate change, and economic development. Pankaj attended the United Nations Conference in Bali and has participated in the United Nations Council of Human Rights projects that evaluated the woman's reproductive issues in Mequiladoras in Tijuana, Mexico

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Lucy Auster has worked for King County for 17 years and has managed the County's Brownfields Program for 12 of those years, including successfully applying for and managing \$2.1 million in EPA assessment and cleanup grants. She manages outreach, site identification and technical assistance and oversees formal Phase I and Phase II site assessments for the Program. Ms. Auster has an MS (Urban and Environmental Policy) from Tufts University and a BA (Political Economy) from The Evergreen State College.



Miranda Bateschell, Metro, Planning & Development Department • Miranda.Bateschell@oregonmetro.gov

At Metro, Ms. Bateschell works on developing regional policies and providing technical assistance to local partners implementing the region's 2040 vision. Her projects include developing the Community Investment Toolkit; working with local jurisdictions to implement new tools and policies; and leading research on the relationship between land use and travel behavior and how this relates to building and financing new infrastructure. She is the program manager for Metro's Brownfields Recycling Program, which focuses on leveraging the redevelopment of brownfield properties located in the region's centers and corridors. Ms. Bateschell holds a M.U.P. from the University of Michigan and a B.A. from Gonzaga University

Emery Bayley, ECOSS • Emery@ecoss.org

Emery has been providing technical resources and outreach to businesses, municipalities, non-profits, and communities in the greater Seattle area on behalf of the King County Brownfields Program since 1999. He has been instrumental in assisting with the successful redevelopment and reuse of a number of contaminated sites by providing free technical advice, historical research and professional referrals. He maintains an active inventory of contaminated sites in the county and has provided information on hundreds of tax parcels to clients concerned about potential impacts from historical contamination. He is a Certified Professional Geologist (CPG), a graduate of Colorado College and holds a Master's Degree in Geology from the University of Washington.

Patricia Beard, National City, CA • pbeard@nationalcityca.gov

Patricia Beard has served as Redevelopment Manager for the City of National City, California since 2004. She has 20 years of experience in community and economic development has worked extensively on brownfields. National City, a diverse urbanized suburb of San Diego, is pursuing an environmental justice project in a neighborhood characterized by a mix of low income residences and small industries. Due to the complexity of the project, National City has focused on leveraging resources to complete a catalyst project and was awarded an EPA Sustainability Pilot in February, 2010.

Barbara Benoy, EPA Region 8 • benoy.barbara@epa.gov

Barbara Benoy is the Region 8 Brownfields Tribal Coordinator. She has worked in hazardous waste characterization and remediation for 3 decades and has significant experience in chemical accident prevention. Ms. Benoy is currently working with Region 8 tribes and the Indian Health Service to identify economic development options available for tribal Brownfield sites. She is currently involved with cleanup, assessment and 128(a) grant recipients throughout Region 8, including Tribal and municipality governments. Ms. Benoy's undergraduate work was completed at Columbus State University. Graduate work was conducted at Georgia Institute of Technology and University of Nevada in Reno.

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Jenn Bildersee has been with the Portland Brownfield Program since 2007, and now serves as program coordinator. Portland's efforts focus on the remediation and revitalization of small neighborhood sites – the corner gas stations and former dry cleaners that collectively have such a significant impact on community and watershed health. Jenn currently manages two EPA community-wide assessment grants and one cleanup grant. She holds a B.A. in biology from Columbia University and a Masters in Landscape Architecture from the University of Oregon.

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Sherry's program development and management practices focus on protecting human health and environment of the Fort Belknap people. Since 2000, Sherry has dedicated her efforts to securing funding for brownfields activities promoting environmentally sustainable programs, and building capacity of existing brownfields activities, while working towards a healthier and safer environment. Past Brownfields projects include, a Brownfields Assessment Grant, Brownfields Job Training Grant, Targeted Brownfields Assessments, and recently a Tribal Response Program. Future projects included in the Tribal Response Program include offering an environmental law workshop for all tribes focusing on code development and enforcement, and securing

funding for brownfields cleanup activities. Her educational background and professional work experience combine to foster the growth of the Fort Belknap Tribal Response program, a model program for neighboring tribes. Sherry holds an Associate of Science from Fort Belknap College, and an expected Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science from Rocky Mountain College.

Myra Blakely, Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization • blakely.myra@epa.gov

Myra Blakely is the Deputy Director of the Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization. She joined the Environmental Protection Agency in 1994 to assist in the implementation of the Agency's Brownfields Initiative. Prior to her current position, Myra served as Brownfields Grants Policy and Grants Management Team Leader for the office; which included management of the assessment, revolving loan fund, cleanup and job training grants. Her career prior to EPA focused on economic development with an emphasis on job training and workforce development. She has worked with all levels of government, non-profit organizations, educational institutions and the private sector. Myra served as a consultant to public schools and non-profit organizations nationwide in the areas of dropout prevention and recovery.

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Ms. Bollmann has over 14 years experience overseeing environmental projects with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality and Gila River Indian Community of Environmental Quality. Currently, she is responsible for oversight of the Underground Storage Tank Program, assessment and oversight projects under the Brownfields 128(a) Tribal Response Program and Gila River's Voluntary Cleanup Program. She has a B.S. in Chemical Engineering from Arizona State University.

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Mr. Bourg is a Senior Energy Policy Analyst with SRA and has more than 20 years experience in the energy industry. He has worked with utilities, federal/state/local governments, and private sector entities in the planning and implementation of renewable energy projects and programs. Mr. Bourg was an early proponent and developer of renewable energy initiatives in the country, and has provided project feasibility studies and development plans for utility-scale solar projects on Brownfields for both the US DOE and US EPA. Mr. Bourg has experience in working in both the regulatory arena and in large-scale renewable energy project development. He has provided expert witness testimony in utility rate cases on the role of solar power, and has worked with private sector developers in the planning and development of large solar projects across the country. His recent work for SRA includes the development of a technical and economic feasibility study for a proposed landfill-based 10 MW PV project for the City of Houston, and an on-going effort to develop transmission infrastructure to support one of the largest solar farms in the country proposed for Nye County, Nevada on Brownfield property. Mr. Bourg has a B.A. (Environmental Science) from the University of California, Berkeley.

Erik Brubaker, City of Ponderay, ID • planner@ponderay.org

For the past two years Erik Brubaker has been the Planning Director for the City of Ponderay, ID. Ponderay is a small city of about 900 residents nestled along Lake Pend Oreille and surrounded by the mountains, forest, and farmland unique to north Idaho. As Ponderay's first planning professional, his duties have been broad and have included grant writing, community projects, parks, and transportation planning. Currently Erik is actively engaged in the Pend d' Oreille Bay trail project, a brownfields project which could result in public access to two miles of lakeshore and get the community safely under an active railroad line. Prior to moving to north Idaho, Erik lived in the Seattle area where he managed site development for The Cottage Company's innovative housing projects. While in Seattle, postgraduate coursework at the University of Washington prompted a career transition from research biology to social sciences and sustainable development practices. Prior to Seattle, Erik lived in Wyoming where he conducted cutthroat trout research for the Forest Service in the mountains surrounding Jackson Hole. Erik settled in Wyoming after graduating from Mansfield University of Pennsylvania in 1999 with a B.S. in Biology.

Eileen Christensen, BEC Environmental, Inc. • Eileen@becnv.com

Eileen Christensen is the President and Principal Scientist for BEC. She has 18 years of experience in environmental, health, and safety consulting. During that time, she has served as Project Manager for a variety of environmental projects for local, federal, and foreign governments as well as private industry. Eileen has worked on Brownfield programs and projects in the State of Nevada since 1999. She started her small, woman-owned business in 2002, initially to provide Brownfield services (including grant writing, environmental assessment, and redevelopment planning) to communities in Nevada, including Nye County and the City of North Las Vegas. This work has expanded to include renewable energy project development support, as developers recognized the value of siting projects near private properties with established infrastructure. Through BEC, Eileen works with local residents and governmental leaders to understand their vision for community sustainability, growth, and/or revitalization and then identifies potential mechanisms to bring that vision to fruition through advanced planning, funding identification, and project facilitation.

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Scott Clow is the Environmental Programs Director for the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe of Colorado, New Mexico and Utah. Prior to his current role, he was the Water Quality Specialist for the Tribe for 12 years. As the Brownfields Lead for the Tribe, he oversees site assessments, remediation, hazardous waste issues, Tribal Response to pollution issues- especially regarding oil and gas, and records management. He runs a department of five full-time and five part-time employees who address all environmental issues on the Reservation. Scott resides in Dolores, Colorado, where he is an active volunteer in the community, serving on the Boards of Directors of two not for profit organizations- Greater Dolores Action and the Four Corners Recycling Initiative.

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Brandon Cooper has served as Construction Project Coordinator and Brownfields Coordinator for the Ogden City Office of Economic Development since 2007. In his role, he has assisted in the rapid economic growth of the City through the coordination of millions of dollars worth of commercial development and the cleanup of numerous environmentally contaminated sites. Mr. Cooper's expertise includes construction management, economic development, brownfields remediation, and urban sustainability. He attended the University of Utah and is a LEED Accredited Professional.

Thomas Cota, Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) • Tcota@dtsc.ca.gov

Thomas Cota is the Performance Manager for Schools Evaluation and Brownfields Outreach at DTSC. Mr. Cota has over 18 years of service working for DTSC and Cal/EPA. He manages the evaluation and remediation of new and expanding school sites throughout California and coordinates DTSC's Brownfield outreach with industry and local government. Prior to this position, he was Chief of DTSC's Southern California Cleanup Operations Branch, where he was responsible for overseeing the investigation and cleanup of contaminated sites ranging from Superfund sites to voluntary cleanup projects. Tom also managed DTSC's Revolving Loan Fund Program, which provides sub-grants and low interest loans to foster cleanup of brownfields throughout California. He has worked directly with business owners and industry, as the former Director of the California Environmental Protection Agency's Permit Assistance Center in the Inland Empire. Mr. Cota also sits on the advisory committee for the Environmental Science and Technology Program at Los Angeles Southwest College. Mr. Cota graduated from California State University Fullerton with a Bachelors of Art in Biology.

Lisa Cuestas, City of Tucson, Environmental Services • Lisa.Cuestas@tucsonaz.gov

Lisa Cuestas is a Brownfields Coordinator for the City of Tucson, Environmental Services Department (City) and has worked for the department for over seven years. Lisa implements the requirements of the Brownfields grant program. Acting as the City's liaison between EPA, ADEQ, consultants and other municipalities Lisa prepares work plans, manages budgets, and prepares and submits quarterly reports. She has put her talents in grant writing to use by assisting the City in receiving over a \$2.5 million dollars in grant funding. She supervises the development of all materials for conferences, mayor and council, and the public and contributes to the development of a Brownfields Strategic Plan for the City.

Ignacio Dayrit, CCLR • Ignacio.Dayrit@cclr.org

Ignacio Dayrit is the Director of Programs for the Center for Creative Land Recycling (CCLR). Ignacio coordinates CCLR's technical assistance program for redevelopment projects. He is a redevelopment expert having spent 21 years with the City of Emeryville (California) Redevelopment Agency, where he was responsible for the city's Brownfields Program, and was instrumental in the Emeryville's redevelopment of hundreds of acres of blighted, contaminated property. Under his guidance, the city received a Stockholm Challenge award from the King of Sweden and three Phoenix Awards.

Ignacio has presented and written widely on sustainable brownfield redevelopment topics such as financing, loan and grant programs and management, program development, community participation, low-impact development and institutional controls. Mr. Dayrit has over 23 years of experience in public sector development, covering areas such as fiscal and financial analysis, public debt financing, feasibility analyses, public-private partnerships and urban design. He holds a BS in Architecture from the University of the Philippines and a Master in City Planning from the University of California at Berkeley.

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Paul Dirksen is a Senior Program Manager in the Housing and Community Investment Division of the newly re-organized City of West Sacramento Community Development Department. The Housing and Community Investment (HCI) Division is responsible for developing, implementing and evaluating housing policies and programs; applying for and administering a wide variety of grants and grant funded programs. Paul's current projects include: administration and oversight of three Brownfield Remediation Projects; implementing a multifamily housing energy retrofit program and the city's Climate Action Plan.

Prior to joining the Housing and Community Investment Division Paul worked for the State Department of Housing and Community Development, where he analyzed development proposals for the Multifamily Housing Program and reviewed local housing elements from local governments throughout the State as a Housing Policy Analyst. Paul earned a Master of Planning and Development Degree from the University of Southern California, Sacramento Center (2000), and a Bachelors Degree in Latin American Studies from Ohio University. Paul has worked as a non-profit Program Director, professional job coach, Associate Mental Health Specialist and Peace Corps Volunteer in Honduras. Paul is married and has two daughters, one attending Consumnes River College and one attending Galt High School.

Carolyn J. Douglas, EPA Region 9 • douglas.carolyn@epa.gov

Carolyn has greater than 20 years of experience with the Superfund and Brownfields Programs, working closely with state, local, tribal governments, and nonprofit organizations to return underutilized properties to beneficial use. She has served as the Brownfields Team Leader and Regional Brownfields Coordinator. Currently she is the Land Revitalization Coordinator and manages the Targeted Brownfields Assessment Program for the region. Her experience prior to joining EPA Region 9 includes environmental compliance, inspections, and hazardous waste assessments and cleanups for the US Navy Public Works Center in Oakland, CA. Carolyn has a BS in Natural Science and an MS in Environmental Management from the University of San Francisco.

John Engen, Mayor City of Missoula, MT • mayorstaff@ci.missoula.mt.us

John Engen, Missoula's 50th mayor, is committed to affordable housing, conservation of Missoula's public lands and regulation reform. Since taking office in 2006, he made good on his promise to pass an open-space bond for Missoula and worked with Missoula County to help ensure that important lands in and out of the city were protected for our generation and those who inherit this special place. Under Mayor Engen's direction, the city embarked on the difficult but necessary mission of updating and reforming the city's antiquated zoning regulations. Based on his belief that considerable community tension is the product of outdated and outmoded regulations, Engen, again with the support of a majority of city council, launched a grassroots process to write regulations that work for Missoula and its wide variety of citizens. In 2009, the council approved the new regulations. With his leadership team and capable city staff, Engen's delivered balanced budgets to council, continued to deliver important services to the folks who count on the city for clean, safe streets, fire and medical

aid, permits and parks and much more. Before serving as mayor, Engen served a term as a city council member, was an award-winning writer and editor for the city's daily newspaper, owned and operated his own small business and volunteered for a variety of Missoula's non-profit organizations, concentrating on human services. John graduated from the University of Montana, with a bachelor's degree in journalism.

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Stacey Eriksen has been an employee of EPA for 18 years and currently works in the Aquifer and Watershed Protection and Brownfields Units. She works on sustainable development, HUD/DOT/EPA partnership, low-impact development/green infrastructure, Urban Waters Initiative, Healthy Watersheds Initiative, brownfields and urban agriculture. She has worked in a number of programs at EPA including, the Brownfields, Ecosystem Protection, Water Quality, Community-Based Environmental Protection, Superfund, and Hazardous Waste Programs.

Stacey spent four years on loan from EPA to the City and County of Denver as their Brownfields Coordinator. She also worked on water quality, sustainable development, and affordable green housing issues for the City as part of the City's sustainable development initiative, Greenprint Denver. Prior to EPA, Stacey worked for three years for the Department of Energy at Rocky Flats. Stacey is a Colorado native with a Bachelors degree in Chemical Engineering from Colorado State University and a Masters in Ecological Engineering from the Colorado School of Mines. She is also a graduate of the Denver Community Leadership Forum and the Coaches Training Institute.

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Noemi has dedicated over 20 years of service to the U.S. EPA, working in Region 5 Chicago, IL, Washington, DC. Noemi is currently working in Region 9 in the Southern California Field Office as the Regional Brownfields Coordinator overseeing brownfields activities across the Hawaii, California, Arizona, Nevada and the Pacific Islands. Additionally, Noemi spent four months on a special assignment working with a diverse group of stakeholders including growers, public agencies, electric companies and Tribes to develop a Total Maximum Daily Load Implementation Plan for the Klamath Basin in northern California to reduce nutrient discharges to the Lower Lost River. Noemi also served as the Brownfields Program Manager providing programmatic and technical support to the City of Los Angeles for 2 ½ years through an intergovernmental agreement. In Region 5, Noemi served as a Regional Team Manager supporting innovative approaches to numerous environmental, quality of life and revitalization challenges in the St. Louis/ East St. Louis and Chicago metropolitan areas. Noemi also has over seven years of experience in community involvement assisting over 60 communities across the Midwest. Noemi received a Silver Medal for Commendable Service for implementing the first Superfund Job Training Initiative in the nation and a Gold Medal for her leadership in restoring and protecting East St. Louis' community from lead contaminated soil. Noemi holds B.A. and M.A. degrees in communications from the University of Illinois at Chicago.

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Joel Gastelum has been working for the City of South Tucson Planning Department for over 4 years. He has been managing the areas of Planning, Zoning, Transportation and Flood Control for the past 2 years. This is the second Brownfields grant Mr. Gastelum has managed for the City. During that time, he has implemented various strategies to attract private property owner participation in the City's Brownfields program. Through these efforts, over 15 properties have been or are undergoing redevelopment within the City of South Tucson.

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As IDEQ's northern region Brownfields Specialist, Steve is responsible for managing brownfields-related projects in north Idaho, prioritizing additional projects and assisting local governments awarded brownfield grant funds with managing their projects. Steve utilizes his background in hydrogeology, environmental science and consulting to effectively manage north Idaho's brownfields projects. As a former business owner, Steve experienced the liability ramifications that potentially hazardous sites can introduce when he had to conduct a clean-up on one of his own commercial sites several years after selling the property. Today, the property is a

mixed-use site anchored by Starbucks. Selling the business, Steve returned to the University of Idaho as a nontraditional student earning both a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science and a Master of Science in Hydrology. As a 4th generation Idahoan, Steve's historical knowledge of north Idaho brings a unique insight to Idaho's Brownfields program. Steve's "big picture" understanding of the complex environmental and regulatory hurdles facing rural small business owners combined with an extensive historical perspective gives him the ability to respond quickly to challenges and adversarial viewpoints with a level of homegrown diplomacy that produces a high level of trust among Idaho's Brownfields program participants.

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Mary Hashem is a founding member of Brownfield Partners, LLC, a privately-held brownfields acquisition and development firm that specializes in the revitalization of industrial properties, tackling complex remediation and land development challenges. The firm provides advisory services to developers, municipalities, insurers and financial institutions on brownfield development and valuation issues. Ms. Hashem has over 15 years of experience in brownfields redevelopment, preceded by over a decade of work in regulatory compliance and environmental risk management. She has managed the implementation of remedial actions in coordination with site development for major industrial facilities such as refineries and manufacturing plants, as well as for light industrial and commercial urban infill properties. Ms. Hashem excels at communicating complex technical information to the public; therefore, in addition to her technical role, she typically serves as the company's community outreach representative. She also engages with cities, redevelopment agencies and community-based organizations to find creative means of leveraging Brownfield projects for local hiring and workforce development. Ms. Hashem is a regular speaker at state and national conferences, addressing the challenges of redevelopment at brownfield properties, the coordination of the regulatory closure process, and the management of liability through comprehensive risk management programs. Ms. Hashem is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), serves on the California DTSC Brownfield Redevelopment Advisory Group, and is a member of the ASTM E50 Technical Committee Workgroup on development of a standard for green and sustainable cleanup.

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Dan Heffernan is the Brownfields Coordinator for EPA Region 8 which includes Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado and 27 tribal nations. Mr. Heffernan coordinates a team of environmental professionals who specialize in working with communities to overcome reuse and redevelopment challenges posed by potentially contaminated and under-utilized properties. He has extensive experience assisting stake holders throughout Region 8 in the assessment, cleanup and reuse of these brownfields. Mr. Heffernan did his undergraduate work at St. John's (MN) and his graduate work at Colorado State University.

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Clark Henry holds a B.A. in Community Development and a Master of Urban and Regional Planning degree from Portland State University. Clark has been with SRA international since June 2010 where as a senior environmental planner and analyst works on a range of issues including urban revitalization, brownfields, sustainability, climate change, renewable energy and urban agriculture. For nine years he worked with the City of Portland Brownfield Program where he oversaw cooperative agreements with the Federal Environmental Protection Agency, managing environmental assessment and remediation projects, public outreach, intergovernmental relations, resource development, public relations, resource development, contract management, community partnerships, program growth and administration. Through each position he has provided direction to other municipalities, business, individuals, and non-profit organizations on brownfield redevelopment projects including mixed use development, affordable and market rate housing, parks/open space, private businesses, and public transportation. Other professional and advocacy experience includes work around local improvement districts, affordable housing and environmental health.

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Karen Homolac joined the Oregon Business Development Department (OBDD) in 2002 and serves as the Brownfields Program Specialist for the Department. Within the Brownfields Program, Karen manages the State's Brownfields Redevelopment Fund and the U.S. EPA funded Oregon Coalition Brownfields Cleanup Fund. Prior to joining OBDD, Karen worked with the California Trade and Commerce Agency's Sacramento Regional Office, where she was responsible for providing community development assistance to cities within a 37-county region. From 1989 to 1994, Karen served as an international trade economist with the U.S. Department of Commerce's International Trade Administration. While with the Commerce Department, Karen worked on the 1989 U.S.-Canada Free Trade Agreement; the North American Free Trade Agreement; and provided extensive economic analytical and policy recommendation support on a number of unfair trade disputes between the United States and Canada. Karen earned her Master's degree in Economics with an emphasis on international trade and economic development from the University of Oregon. She also holds Bachelor of Science degrees in Zoology and Botany from Oregon State University.

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Michelle Johnston is District Director for the U.S. Small Business Administration's (SBA) Montana District Office located in Helena and is responsible for the delivery of SBA programs throughout Montana including a loan portfolio of over 2,500 loans and more than \$330 million dollars, oversight of ten Small Business Development Centers (SBDC), seven SCORE chapters, and a Women's Business Center. Ms. Johnston began her federal career in 1974, came to the SBA in 1987, and was named director in 2001. During her tenure as Director, the District was awarded the #1 spot in 2003, in reaching or exceeding 125% of all goals. In 2006, Montana was again awarded for being a top performing office. In 2001, Montana was honored to have the National Minority Small Business of the Year; in 2004, the National Exporter of the year; and in 2006 the 1st Runner Up for National Small Business Person of the Year.

Throughout Michelle's professional career she has served on many boards and is a past President of the Helena YWCA and Business and Professional Women and a past State Business Chair for BPW. She currently serves on the boards for Career Training Institute and the Combined Federal Campaign Committee, as well as being a member of American Business Women's Association. Johnston is no stranger to small business. She and her husband started their auto body business in 1976, received an SBA guaranteed loan to purchase the real estate in 1979, and grew it into a profitable and successful enterprise. She is proud to have been a small business owner and knows first hand the trials and tribulations of owning a small business. In February 2010, they sold their business to their son and daughter-in-law. Both Johnston and her husband are Montana natives and have a daughter and son and two grandchildren.

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Karen S. Kellen is a Senior Enforcement Attorney and ADR Specialist at EPA's Denver Regional Office. She specializes in Superfund mining sites, superfund redevelopment, brownfields, environmental justice, community involvement and facilitation. Ms. Kellen currently sits on the Colorado Bar Association Environmental Law Section Advisory Council. She is also president of Local 3607 of the American Federation of Government Employees. Ms. Kellen obtained her law degree from Washington University in St. Louis in 1986 and clerked at the Missouri Supreme Court before entering the EPA in their Philadelphia, PA office. Ms. Kellen has been in the Denver area since 1992. In her spare time, Ms Kellen serves on the City Council in Lakewood, CO, which is the fourth largest city in the State of Colorado. She also acts as her City's representative to the Jefferson County Community Corrections Board and is the alternate for the Denver Regional Council of Governments.

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Glenn Kistner has been in the EPA Brownfields Program for 3 years, conducting outreach activities to prospective grant applicants. In addition, he is a Project Officer and manages a number of Brownfields Grants. He is also the Brownfields Tribal Lead and the Superfund Division's Regional Tribal Operations Council (RTOC) representative. Prior to working in the Brownfields Program, Glenn worked as a Remedial Project

Manager (RPM) for 22 years in the Superfund Program, overseeing investigations and cleanups at sites on the National Priorities List. Glenn holds a BS degree in Geography with a minor in Geology from Oswego State University in Oswego New York and an MA in Environmental Planning from the Consortium of the California State University

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April Laliberte has been with the City of Flagstaff's Brownfield Land Recycling Program since 2005 and has managed the Program for the past three years. The Program has been awarded almost \$430,000 in grant funding from the Environmental Protection Agency and the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality for assessment and cleanup. April sits on the Board of Directors for the Consortium for Business and the Environment (CBE) and is a member of International Economic Development Council (IEDC).

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Ted Lanzano is a Brownfields Project Manager for EPA Region 8, which includes Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado and 27 tribal nations. Ted has extensive experience assisting communities throughout Region 8 in the assessment, cleanup and reuse of brownfields properties. He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Colorado in Geography and Environmental Studies and graduate degree in Environmental Management from Yale University at the School of Forestry and Environmental Studies. Prior to graduate school, he served in the Peace Corps in Panama.

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Natalia Fanta Lawrence is currently a Senior Development Project Manager and the Richmond Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund coordinator for the Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency. She is managing the cleanup and redevelopment of three former flower nurseries in central Richmond, CA. The Miraflores Housing Development, a 14 acre infill brownfields site will feature affordable senior and market rate housing, historic preservation, creek restoration and extensive open space. Ms. Lawrence has over 23 years of experience in urban planning and community development including six years at the federal level with the HUD Region IX office in San Francisco. Ms. Lawrence holds Masters Degrees in Urban Studies from Long Island University, NY and Architecture from the University of California, Berkeley.

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Aaron Laurel is a Senior Program Manager with the City of West Sacramento's Community Development Department, Redevelopment and Housing Division. Mr. Laurel's mix of responsibilities includes the coordination of the City's Brownfield Redevelopment Program, facilitating the financing and development of multifamily affordable housing projects, and writing grants on behalf of the City and its Redevelopment Agency. As the coordinator of the West Sacramento's Brownfields program since 2005, he has managed several EPA Brownfield Grants and worked with developers and other stakeholders on the assessment, remediation, and redevelopment of priority properties. He also represents West Sacramento as a public agency member of the California Redevelopment Association's Brownfields Committee. Mr. Laurel received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science with a minor in City and Regional Planning from the University of California at Berkeley and a Master of Urban Planning degree from San Jose State University.

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Alexis Moore has worked for the City of Lakewood, CO in the Comprehensive Planning & Research Division since 2007. She has experience in corridor and special area planning and worked with stakeholders to create a long-range land use and transportation vision for a major arterial corridor and for neighborhoods adjacent to the

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