Overview

Since 2010, the U.S. EPA has awarded the <u>Wisconsin Brownfields Coalition</u> \$2.1 million in Brownfield Assessment Grants. The RR Program administers these funds through the **Wisconsin Assessment Monies (WAM) program**, and utilizes the funding to aid local governments and others in investigating brownfields throughout the state.

Contractor Services Awards

Contractor Services Awards cover Phase I and Phase II <u>environmental site</u> <u>assessments</u>, with potential for limited site investigation work at selected sites. Sites in this program should generally be less than 10 acres and have petroleum or hazardous substance contamination which can be assessed for less than \$35,000.

For projects selected for Contractor Services Awards, the DNR will assign one of its contractors to perform Phase I and/or Phase II environmental site assessments (ESAs), or a limited site investigation if warranted. These contractors were selected through a competitive procurement process completed in June 2010, and are currently AECOM, The Sigma Group and Short Elliot Hendrickson, Inc. (SEH).

Eligible applicants

The following entities are eligible to apply for this funding:

- general purpose units of local government;
- Tribe, or other eligible tribal entity under 40 CFR 31.3; and
- private entities

Eligible sites

Sites meeting the project profile will be:

- a closed or closing manufacturing plant, chiefly including sites such as assembly lines, foundries, dairies, electroplaters, and other industrial facilities that meets the federal definition of a brownfield site; and
- a single property of less than 10 acres, who's complexity could be assessed for \$35,000 or less.