



Contamination Cleanup and Investigation Grants Program

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- Contamination Cleanup and Investigation Grants Program
- Cleanup Revolving Loan Program
- Redevelopment Grant Program
- Demolition Loan Program

Program Purpose

The purpose of these programs is to reduce the costs of developing previously used sites.

Contamination cleanup and redevelopment costs would not be present on a site with no prior history.

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An abandoned or underutilized property whose redevelopment is hindered by either real or perceived environmental contamination.

Brownfield Cleanup Components

- Investigation Stage
 - Phase I (historic review of property)
 - Phase II (sampling and testing)
 - Response Action Plan or RAP (cleanup strategy)
- Cleanup Stage
 - Implementing the RAP

Contamination Cleanup and Investigation Grants

- Investigation and RAP Development Grants
 - DEED can pay up to 75% of investigation costs
 - Max grant is \$50,000
- Cleanup Grants
 - May include investigation costs already incurred
 - Can apply for up to 75% of costs
- Both grants are competitive

Contamination Cleanup and Investigation Grants

- Eligible applicants are:
 - Cities
 - Counties
 - HRAs
 - EDAs
 - Port Authorities



Contamination Cleanup and Investigation Grants

- Eligible sites include:
 - Both privately and publicly-owned sites
 - Known or suspected contamination
 - Development plan will create jobs, increase tax base, or result in other public benefits
 - Resolution from applicant body (and municipality if different)
 - Cleanup Grant applicants need MPCA approved Response Action Plan (RAP)

Contamination Cleanup and Investigation Grants

Eligible Costs	Ineligible Costs
Investigation - Phase I, Phase II, RAP Development	Project/Grant Administration
Cleanup - Contaminated soil removal and disposal, vapor systems, groundwater treatment, etc.	Appraisal or other application costs
Public Acquisition*	Development Costs
Environmental Consulting Fees*	Asbestos Abatement in Buildings
Public Improvements*	Contingencies
Demolition*	Landscaping - Seeding, sod, trees, etc.

Contamination Cleanup and Investigation Grants

- Grant awards
 - Up to 75% of eligible cleanup/investigation costs
 - Required match = 25% of eligible cleanup/investigation costs
 - 12% of match must come from an unrestricted source
 - Request what you need
 - 35% of awards to Greater Minnesota

Contamination Cleanup and Investigation Grants

Scoring Criteria

Value of Blight Removal	MPCA Ranking	Need for State Assistance
Tax Increase	Job Creation and Retention	Time Frame
Project Readiness	Match Contribution	Public Importance

Contamination Cleanup and Investigation Grants

- Applications
 - Due at DEED office
November 1st by 4:00 PM
 - Application form and instructions can be found at mn.gov/deed
 - Apply when project is ready to start



Contamination Cleanup and Investigation Grants

- Application reminders
 - Answer all questions
 - Applicant must match resolution
 - Resolution must include specific language in DEED template
 - Submit application and all attachments by due date



Contamination Cleanup and Investigation Grant

- Grants awarded about 8 weeks after application submittal
- Grant funds must be spent within the grant term
- Contract start date

Cleanup Revolving Loan Program

- Eligible applicants are:
 - Cities
 - Counties
 - HRAs
 - EDAs
 - Port Authorities
 - **Private entities**
 - **Non profits**

Cleanup Revolving Loan Program

- Eligible sites include:
 - Completed “All Appropriate Inquiries”
 - Own or have ownership interest in property
 - MPCA approved RAP
 - Borrower cannot be responsible for contamination
 - Ability to repay loan

Cleanup Revolving Loan Program

- Eligible costs
 - Costs already incurred are not eligible for loan funds
 - Costs only eligible after project is determined eligible and the cleanup plan is “accepted” by the appropriate agencies

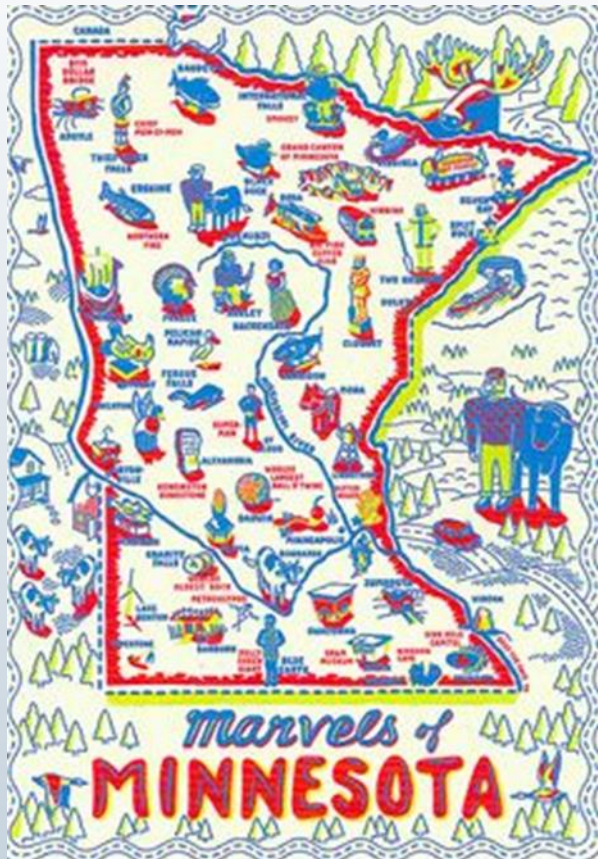
Cleanup Revolving Loan Program

- Loan awards
 - Applications are accepted throughout the year
 - Loans can reimburse up to 78% of eligible costs
 - 22% match requirement from a non-federal source
 - Rate and term are negotiable
 - Portion forgivable if borrower is local unit of government

Redevelopment Grant and Demolition Loan Programs

- Assistance primarily for demolition, asbestos abatement, and other site prep activities
- Same eligible applicants
 - Need to own site for demo loan
- Redevelopment
 - 50% match required from any available source
 - 50/50 grants to Greater MN and Metro
- No \$\$\$

Thank you!



Any questions?

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