# BROWNFIELDS REDEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM







### **Overview**

The Brownfields Redevelopment Incentive Program offers a one-time tax credit to developers who complete a cleanup of a brownfield site to prepare the site for redevelopment. More Information: <a href="https://www.njeda.gov/brownfield-redevelopment-incentive/">www.njeda.gov/brownfield-redevelopment-incentive/</a>

#### **Perks**

- ► Tax credit may be sold
- ► Closes the finance gap on upside down properties
- ► Higher incentives in special areas
- ► Includes demolition on brownfield sites



### **Award Sizes**



**50 percent** of remediation up to a maximum of **\$4 million** 



60 percent of remediation up to a maximum of \$8 million, for projects located within a qualified incentive tract or a government-restricted municipality (Atlantic City, Paterson, Trenton)

Dates for Application Rounds to be announced

## Ideal project for this program

- Larger scale remediation and/or demolition
- Use prevailing wage
- ➤ Well defined areas of concerns in order to propose remediation costs that are reasonable and appropriate since the tax credit cap cannot be increased after award
- ► NOT an owner of the site, unless it is owned by a public entity (due to ownership liabilities under the NJ Spill Act) some exemptions apply
- ➤ Option to lease the site or delay purchase of the site until after entering into agreement w/ EDA
- Market for tax credit with access to bridge loan

Contact bftaxcredit@njeda.gov to be added to the mailing list for updates on the program.











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### **Eligible Activities**

- ► Soil and ground water investigation
- Site remediation
- ► Hazardous material assessment and survey
- ► Hazardous materials or waste disposal
- ▶ Building and structural issues including: demolition, asbestos abatement, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) removal, contaminated wood or paint removal, and other infrastructure remedial activities
- ▶ Prior environmental assessment and investigation up to 24 months prior to application

## **Basic Eligibility**

- ► Project site is a brownfield
- ► Letter of support from governing body
- ► Project financing gap exists
- ▶ NOT economically feasible without this incentive
- ▶ Applicant NOT in any way liable or responsible for the contamination
- ► Applicant NOT a corporate successor to the discharger
- Prevailing wage applies to construction work (including remediation) and building services
- Developer has NOT commenced any remediation unless the full extent of contamination is not known



Self- Assessment Eligibility Tool <u>www.njeda.gov/bri-eligibility-assesment-tool/</u>

## Information on Identifying a Potential Brownfield Site

For information on where to find brownfield sites, please scan the QR code for links to access these websites.

- <u>Brownfields Inventory</u> Map on potential target sites for NJDEP's Community Collaborative Initiative.
- Sustainable New Jersey Map for information on brownfield sites for various municipalities.
- ► <u>Known Contaminated Sites</u> List maintained by NJDEP which lists status of remediation process.
- Contact the municipal or county economic development director and planning staff.



