Identify Brownfield Sites

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EPA Brownfield Definition

"A brownfield is a real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant."







How to identify Brownfield Sites Abandoned Sites



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Suspected contamination





Potential petroleum contamination due to previous uses

Suspected presence of hazardous building materials



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Residential Properties



Residential properties are not considered brownfields

No presence or potential presence of contamination

Look for former industrial & commercial properties







Brownfields and Tax Delinquency

Tax delinquency could be an indicator to identify a brownfield site



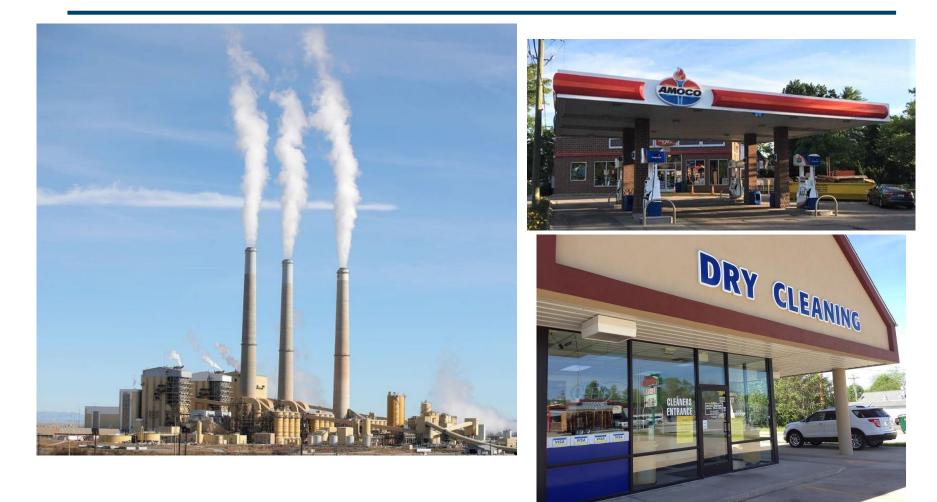
Often brownfields have outstanding taxes and the town/city may take ownership of the property through tax foreclosure





Active facilities







Active industrial and commercial facilities are NOT brownfield sites Liable entity responsible for remediation



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NOT Brownfields

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 Sites in the National Priority List (NPL) or Superfund Sites;

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- Facilities subject to unilateral administrative orders, court orders, administrative orders on consent, or judicial consent decrees issued to or entered into by parties under CERCLA;
- Facilities that are subject to the jurisdiction, custody, or control of the U.S. government (<u>with exclusions</u>)

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Brownfield Site eligibility under CERCLA § 104(k)



Mine-scarred lands

Under EPA, "mine-scarred lands" are those lands, associated waters, and surrounding watersheds where extraction, beneficiation, or processing of ores and minerals (including coal) has occurred

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Mine-scarred lands include abandoned coal mines and lands scarred by strip mining.



Brownfield Site eligibility under CERCLA § 104(k)