

## Definitions

### Assessment Grants

Funds to inventory, characterize, assess, and conduct cleanup planning and community involvement related to brownfield sites.

### Brownfields Site

Real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, controlled substances, petroleum or petroleum products, or is mine-scarred land. Includes all "real property," including residential, as well as commercial and industrial properties.

### Cleanup Grant

Funds to carry out cleanup activities at a specific brownfield site owned by the applicant.

### Greenspace

Areas redeveloped for uses such as parks, recreation areas, greenways, or environmental buffers.

### Hazardous Substance

A substance that is explosive, flammable, poisonous, corrosive and oxidizing.

### Institutional Controls

Legal controls intended to influence human activities to prevent or reduce exposure to hazardous wastes left on a site following active cleanup work.

### Phase I Environmental Site Assessment

Researches past uses of the site and determines whether hazardous substance contamination is likely to exist.

### Phase II Environmental Site Assessment

Site research to determine the extent and composition of hazardous substance contamination.

### Site Assessments

Evaluation of a site for the existence of hazardous waste. Site assessments are conducted in phases. A Phase I assessment researches past uses of the site and determines whether hazardous substance contamination is likely to exist. If Phase I results suggest a problem, a Phase II assessment is conducted to determine the extent of the problem.

### Stakeholders

A person, group, organization, or system who effects or can be affected by an organization's actions.

### Sustainable Practices

A broad area of practices that may improve the long-term sustainability of the environment. Examples include rain gardens to reduce water pollution and energy efficient buildings to reduce air pollution from power plants.

### Sustainable Redevelopment/Reuse

Redevelopment/Reuse that is ecologically, economically and socially sustainable.