



Brownfields 2005 Grant Fact Sheet

Anna, OH

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic development to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is 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. On January 11, 2002, President George W. Bush signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under the Brownfields Law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

The Village of Anna was selected to receive a brownfields assessment grant. The village is a primarily residential, middle-class community with a population of 1,319. The former Ringle Electroplating facility, targeted for assessment, is located within this residential village. The facility was used for the nickel-chrome plating of bicycle frames from 1948 to 1976. The results of a 1998 screening indicated the presence of metals contamination in soil and groundwater. However, the full extent of this contamination was never investigated. Drums of liquid chemicals also remain on the property. The unfenced site is located adjacent to a drainage swale for Clay Creek, a private residence, and about 2,000 feet from the city's municipal water



Assessment Grant

New
2005

\$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the Village of Anna for a brownfields assessment grant. Grant funds will be used to conduct a Phase I environmental site assessment and a full Phase II site assessment, and develop cleanup plans for the former Ringle Electroplating facility. Funds also will be used to support community outreach activities.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

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The cooperative agreement for this grant has not yet been negotiated; therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.

supply. The site poses a potential threat to the water supply and surface waters in the area and a potential threat of chemical exposure or injury to trespassers, many of whom are children. The flammable liquids at the site also pose a fire hazard. A complete assessment of this site will allow the village to pursue state funding for building demolition and soil and groundwater cleanup activities. Once the property is cleaned up, the village intends to convert it into a much-needed park with playground equipment for neighborhood children.