Lycoming County Brownfield Coalition

Starting in 2007 after receiving funding from a 2005 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) grant, Lycoming County began to inventory, conduct environmental site assessments (ESAs), and promote the reuse of abandoned and underutilized sites. Through strong partnerships with Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), EPA, and many other local and regional partners, Lycoming County has achieved significant results in turning underutilized liabilities into thriving opportunities.

What’s New?
Brownfield Coalition Project -

In 2012, Lycoming County and partners including the City of Williamsport and Muncy Borough were awarded a 2nd round of funding from EPA to complete the Brownfield Coalition Project. The Brownfield Coalition Project will update the County’s existing Brownfield Inventory last updated in 2008 and site specific environmental assessments will be conducted to identify any areas of environmental concern. The result of the efforts will continue Lycoming County’s Brownfield redevelopment progress.

Results Since 2007

Over 80 sites identified and multiple Phase I Environmental Site Assessments completed.

See the County’s website for more details on this program.

Brownfield Redevelopment Benefits

- Improved environmental quality
- Improved public health
- Preserving green space
- Leveraging existing infrastructure
- Fewer blighted buildings and sites
- New tax revenues
- New jobs

Brownfield - 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.
Public-Private Partnerships
- Leverage available resources
- Unite groups

Community Engagement
- Key to successful reuse
- Inclusive participation

Identifying & Prioritizing Sites
- Comprehensive list of redevelopment opportunities
- Ranked & prioritized

Assessing Sites
- Determine extent of environmental concern
- Phase I, Phase II ESAs

Remediation Planning
- Review Phase I and Phase II ESA results; develop appropriate remediation alternatives, as required
- Prepare development concepts & finalize

Cleanup & Construction
- Site remediation, if required
- Project construction
- Brownfield redevelopment complete!

Path to New Uses
How does Brownfield Redevelopment Work? - From forming public-private partnerships to engaging the community to site cleanup and new construction, Brownfield redevelopment is intensive yet worth the effort. With years of proactive planning that has resulted in shoring up our roads and infrastructure combined with new opportunity brought about by shale gas development, Lycoming County Brownfield redevelopment has and will continue to make a lasting impact on our County’s future. The following flowchart shows a high level overview of the Brownfield redevelopment process.

Lycoming County Land Recycling Program... It’s Working!

1st EPA Brownfield Assessment Grant Awarded

For more information on how you can get involved – Contact us
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