



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

GOVERNOR DANIEL P. MALLOY

**GOV. MALLOY: RECLAIMING BROWNFIELDS IS KEY TO
IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT AND CREATING JOBS**

Connecticut Brownfield Remediation Program Application Deadline is June

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(HARTFORD, CT) – Governor Dannel P. Malloy today announced the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) is accepting applications for a new round of funding of up to \$20 million that will be awarded to help remediate and redevelop brownfield sites throughout the state.

“Connecticut has a proud history of industrial and economic innovation that continues up to this day, with major companies and innovators making long-term commitments to our state. In order to continue that economic transformation, we need to address the legacy sites left behind from previous eras,” said Governor Malloy. “Redeveloping Connecticut’s brownfields is a win-win for our economy and our communities.”

Funding will be made available under this program in the form of both grants and loans. Eligible applicants for grant funding include municipalities and economic development agencies; municipalities, agencies and both for-profit and nonprofit developers are eligible to apply for low-interest loan funding. Grants applicants can request funding of up to \$4 million; loan applicants can request funding of up to \$2 million.

Governor Malloy continued, “By alleviating blight, removing environmental contamination, returning properties to the tax rolls and creating jobs, brownfield redevelopment is a critical component of our economic development strategy. Redeveloping our brownfields will also help alleviate pressure to develop our precious open space and agricultural land and ensure that Connecticut grows in a way that is smart, sustainable and sensible.”

Awards made under this round of funding may be used for a range of brownfield remediation and redevelopment activities, including abatement, demolition, site investigation and assessment, groundwater monitoring, installation of institutional controls, and professional services fees associated with redevelopment including attorney’s fees, and planning, design and consulting fees.

“Under Governor Malloy’s leadership, Connecticut is making major investments in redeveloping brownfields to spur growth, attract private investment and create jobs,” said Catherine Smith, commissioner of DECD. “By making these investments, Connecticut can ensure that we grow our economy in a smart, sustainable way that revitalizes our urban centers and helps us create dynamic and livable spaces in our communities.”

“Brownfield redevelopment is critical for Connecticut’s economic and environmental future. Investing in brownfield properties reduces risks to public health and the environment,” said Robert J. Klee, Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection. “Brownfield locations are also the wise choice for development and growth, as these properties and the surrounding areas have had significant infrastructure investments in water, sewer, transportation, and energy.”

All projects will be rated and ranked by an inter-agency committee on the following criteria:

- Applicant/municipal financial need;
- Remediation/cleanup project feasibility;
- Redevelopment project feasibility;
- Redevelopment project economic and community impact;
- Responsible growth and livability initiatives;
- Applicant capacity and experience.

The rating and ranking sheet for this funding round, which provides further details on application criteria, as well as the program application, are available at ctbrownfields.gov.

Applications must be submitted to DECD, 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106-7106 no later than Monday, June 30, 2014. Questions related to the application must be submitted to brownfields@ct.gov by June 9, 2014; responses will be posted at ctbrownfields.gov by June 16, 2014.

DECD will also be participating in a series of regional information sessions for potential applicants interested in learning more about this round of funding. Below is the schedule and location of these sessions. E-mail brownfields@ct.gov with any questions related to these information sessions.

- **Naugatuck Valley / Northwest CT:** May 20, 2014, 2:30pm – Waterbury Chamber of Commerce, 83 Bank St #2. Hosted by the Valley Council of Governments.
- **Capitol Region:** May 21, 2014, 12pm – CRRRA Trash Museum, 211 Murphy Road, Hartford. Hosted by the Capital Region Council of Governments.

- **Northeast CT:** May 22, 9am —125 Putnam Pike, Dayville. Hosted by the Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments.
- **Southeast CT:** May 22, 1pm — 5 Connecticut Avenue, Norwich. Hosted by the Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments.
- **Greater New Haven:** May 23, 2014, 12pm – South Central Regional Council of Governments, 127 Washington Ave., 4th Fl. W, North Haven. Hosted by Regional Economic Xcelleration (REX) and the South Central Regional Council of Governments.
- **Southwest CT / Fairfield County:** May 28, 2014, 11am – 999 Broad Street, Bridgeport. Hosted by the Greater Bridgeport Regional Council and the South Western Regional Planning Agency.

For more information about the application process or other brownfield redevelopment programs please visit www.ctbrownfields.gov.

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