

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Brownfield Grants How to Obtain a Letter of Acknowledgment from DTSC for a U.S. EPA Brownfields Grant

Applicants for a U.S. EPA brownfields assessment, cleanup or revolving loan fund grant must submit a letter from a state environmental agency as part of their proposal. This submittal is one of the application's threshold criteria. This information provides instructions on how to obtain such a letter from DTSC.

The letters of support should contain detailed information about the project and demonstrate that DTSC understands the applicant's goals and abilities. To obtain such a letter from DTSC, the applicant needs to provide the following information:

- Type(s) of grants
- Dollar amount(s) applied for.
- Name, location and property owner for each site, as well as a brief history of each site.
- Applicant's relationship to DTSC, if any.
- Proposed use of Subtitle A funds.
- Community need/support for the project.
- Leveraging of additional resources.
- Special needs (i.e., request for a property-specific determination from the U.S. EPA).
- Other considerations (i.e., whether the site is a federally designated Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community or federally designated Renewal Community).

Please note that if you are stating that DTSC will be the lead state regulatory agency for your project, you also should request an estimate for our projected oversight costs. This cost estimate can be included in your budget table and budget narrative.

Requests for letters of support must be received by DTSC no later than **Friday, December 12, 2014**. DTSC will make every effort to provide the letters of support to the U.S. EPA by the deadline. For more information, or to submit your request, please contact the DTSC staff listed below.

For sites in the Central Valley, the Sierra Nevada foothills and the mountains from Kern County north, including San Luis Obispo County:

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For sites in the greater Los Angeles area, including parts of Santa Barbara County:

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For sites in Orange County, the Inland Empire, southern Los Angeles County and San Diego area counties:

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For sites in the San Francisco Bay area and Northern California:

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The final fiscal year 2014 brownfields assessment, RLF and cleanup grant guidelines are available on the U.S. EPA's website at http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/news/index.htm#fy2013_gspyarc

Based on U.S. EPA's request, letters will be addressed to:

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Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization
Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response
USEPA
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For more information on U.S. EPA Brownfield grants and an archive of a webinar on the guidelines and the slides, please refer to: www.epa.gov/region9/brownfields

The Center for Creative Land Recycling (CCLR) also offers free assistance for government agencies and non-profits organizations looking to apply for U.S. EPA grants. For more information, contact CCLR, Erin Franks at erin.franks@cclr.org or (415) 398-1080 ext. 100.