

SUBGROUP: Funding Sustainability

Remediation and Redevelopment External Advisory Group (Nov. 2022)



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PURPOSE/OBJECTIVE

The restoration and beneficial reuse of contaminated sites requires financial resources – both to assist parties in the investigation and cleanup and to fund the DNR staff who oversees this work. The objective of the Financial Subgroup is to evaluate and recommend improvements to current grant/funding programs and to recommend new programs or resources to fill current funding gaps. Meeting this purpose/objective includes providing recommendations for implementation that consider and incorporate environmental justice.

DELIVERABLES AND MILESTONES

- List of funding gaps
- List of additional recommended resources for investigation and cleanup of brownfields, and resources for innocent landowners and stalled sites, as appropriate
- Evaluation of NR 749 fees and implementation, with recommendations for revisions, if any

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Gaps in funding bridged (e.g., PECFA, DERF, innocent landowners)
- Existing grant programs enhanced (Wisconsin Assessment Monies and Ready for Reuse RLF)
- Marketing of grant programs improved
- Funding of DNR RR Program staff is sufficient and sustainable