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Minnesota Brownfields Recognizes Statewide Projects that Revitalize Formerly Contaminated Land

SAINT PAUL, Minn. – (October 11, 2016) – Minnesota Brownfields is celebrating 10 finalist projects demonstrating innovation, collaboration, and exemplary results in revitalizing formerly contaminated land throughout Minnesota. The awards ceremony will take place at Aria in Minneapolis on November 17, 2016, from 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. This 5th annual event will include a seated dinner and networking opportunities.

Winning projects feature transformations of abandoned or underutilized sites using innovative solutions to significant environmental issues. This year's winners included three finalists in the Community Impact, Environmental Impact, and Economic Impact categories and one finalist in the Small City Impact category.

To celebrate the five-year anniversary of the ReScape Awards, this year includes a special award – the People's Choice Award – selected by Minnesota Brownfields statewide audience for a past finalist which best exemplifies the ReScape criteria. Voting for the People's Choice Award closes on October 21.

"The ReScape Awards recognize the unique redevelopment challenges posed by brownfield sites, the partnerships required to revitalize them, and the various ways that revitalization benefits communities. These projects can serve as models for future redevelopment," said Executive Director Martha Faust.

The call for project nominations closed on September 22. Eighteen project nominations were received.

The public can purchase single tickets or tables online at mnbrownfields.org/rescape-awards/2016_awards_event/. Learn more about Minnesota Brownfields at www.mnbrownfields.org.

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FINALISTS:

COMMUNITY IMPACT CATEGORY

[Be The Match](#) – Minneapolis

[New Brighton Exchange](#) – New Brighton

[New Horizon](#) – Minneapolis

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT CATEGORY

[A-Mill Artist Lofts](#) – Minneapolis

[Pier B](#) – Duluth

[The Rose](#) – Minneapolis

ECONOMIC IMPACT CATEGORY

[BAE Technology Center](#) – Fridley

[Downtown East](#) – Minneapolis

[Highlight Center](#) – Minneapolis

SMALL CITY IMPACT

[Columbia Heights Library](#) – Columbia Heights

EVENT DETAILS:

Day: Thursday, November 17, 2016
Time: 4:30-7:30 p.m.
Location: Aria
101 N 1st Street
Minneapolis, MN 55401

About Minnesota Brownfields

Minnesota Brownfields is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization whose mission is to promote, through education, research, and partnerships, the efficient cleanup and reuse of contaminated land as a means of generating economic growth, strengthening communities and enabling sustainable land use and development.

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