

July News

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

By Elizabeth Kluesner

Thank you to all who attended the second installment in our webinar series on June 10! We appreciate Geosyntec Consultants and Spencer Washburn for speaking on the webinar and sharing expertise about Mercury Vapor and Passive Sampling. Stay tuned for our final webinar, in early November. We are exploring topics related to PFAS treatment technologies.



Congratulations to the Minnesota communities that were selected to receive a USEPA Brownfields Grant: the City of Rochester; the City of Mankato; and the Washington County CDA. More information on the USEPA grants can be found below.

Please mark your calendars for our [upcoming events](#) this fall! Details on our Emerging Developer Workshop and Annual State of Brownfields can be found below.

I hope you are all having a wonderful summer!

Warm Regards,
Elizabeth

It's Official! USEPA Makes its 2026 Brownfield Grant Decisions

A full listing of grant recipients from around the country can be found at the link below:

[Learn More](#)

Post to the Minnesota Brownfields Job Board

JOB BOARD

Is your team hiring for roles that may be in our membership? Or, maybe you're the one looking to make a job change? Take advantage of Minnesota Brownfield's Job Board to reach qualified candidates!

Members are invited to post company openings for free on the Minnesota Brownfields website. In fact, the Saint Paul Port Authority, a Minnesota Brownfield member, is hiring a Development Operations Manager. Be sure to check out the posting by clicking the link below!

Leverage this member benefit today; fill out a job listing at www.mnbrownfields.org.

[View the Job Board](#)

Save the Date: Emerging Developers Workshop



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Emerging Developers Workshop
October 7, 2026
9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Through the generosity of the Opus Foundation, Minnesota Brownfields is excited to continue our emerging and diverse developer curriculum. This year's program will be held on October 7th at the Westwood Hills Nature Center. There is no cost to attend this event, but registration is required. Registration closes on Thursday, October 1. Thank you, Opus Foundation!

[Register](#)

Save the Date & Sponsor: State of Brownfields Event

Thursday, November 12

**MINNESOTA
BROWNFIELD'S ANNUAL
"State of Brownfields"**

1:00pm – 4:00pm
State Capitol Building | St. Paul

COST:

Member Pricing: \$85
(\$100 after November 4)
Non-Member Pricing: \$115
(\$130 after November 4)



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**State of Brownfields
November 12, 2026
12:00 pm**

We're looking for sponsors for our annual State of Brownfields event. If interested, please contact the Minnesota Brownfields offices at:
info@mnbrownfields.org.

[Learn More](#)

Wisconsin DNR Vapor Guidance Virtual Workshop



Following up on the Minnesota Brownfields March Vapor Workshop, please see below for an upcoming virtual workshop on WDNR's Vapor Intrusion Guidance.

When: July 16, 2026, 11:30 am to 1:00 pm

Deep Dive into Vapor Intrusion: Application of RR-800

Details: Presenters will dive deeper into the steps to address a site with vapor intrusion or the potential for vapor intrusion, with a focus on the publication Vapor Intrusion Guidance (RR-800). The presenters will share scenarios to show how to investigate the vapor intrusion pathway and the considerations and actions needed after vapor intrusion is identified.

[Register to Attend Virtually](#)

Brownfields & Beyond - DEED Hosting its Annual Redevelopment Conference



When: October 22-23, 2026
Where: Mayo Clinic – Rochester, MN

[Learn More](#)

Don't Forget the Minnesota Brownfields Happy Hour at the Bleu Duck Kitchen Oct. 21!

Mark your calendars for Happy Hour and Networking October 21 at the Bleu Duck Kitchen in Rochester, MN! We'll enjoy drinks and appetizers and get to know our colleagues in the Minnesota Brownfields redevelopment industry.



Fact of the Month:



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Did you know Minnesota Brownfields has a job board? Members can post open positions at their place of employment and gain more exposure to targeted audiences. Let us help you find the perfect person for the job! Learn more about our job board at www.mnbrownfields.org.

Thank you, Members!

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