



Hawai'i Department of Health
Hawai'i County Brownfields
Workshop 2017

"Supporting Hawai'i County Land Reuse"

Date: November 2, 2017

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**Place: Office of Housing and Community Development
1990 Kino'ole St., Hilo, HI Suite #104**

Agenda

❖ **Sign-in and Pick-up Information Materials (30 min.) 8:00 am to 8:30 am**

❖ **Welcome Remarks (30 min.) 8:30 am to 9:00 am**

Speakers: Harry Kim, Mayor, County of Hawai'i
Keith Kawaoka, Deputy Director, Environmental Health, Department of Health

❖ **Overview of State Environmental Management (30 min.) 9:00 am to 9:30 am**

Speaker: Fenix Grange, Program Manager, HEER Office

- HDOH Organization: EHA...EMD...HEER Office
- Overview of Hawai'i environmental laws, funding sources, and coordination with USEPA
- Description of HEER Office Brownfields Programs, including Brownfields Grants and Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Funds

❖ **Brownfields Grants Panel Discussion (75 min.) 9:30 am to 10:45 am**

Speakers:

CCLR: Ignacio Dayrit, Program Director, Center for Creative Land Recycling

HDOH: Melody Calisay, Brownfields Coordinator

- USEPA FY2018 Brownfields Assessment Grant Guidelines
- USEPA FY2018 Brownfields Cleanup Grant Guidelines
- USEPA FY2018 Brownfields Areawide Planning Grant Guidelines
- USEPA FY2018 Brownfields Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training Grants
- USEPA Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund
- USEPA Targeted Brownfields Assessments (TBA)
- Resources and guidelines for preparing grant applications (CCLR)
- Hawai'i Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund
- HDOH support to potential grantees

❖ **Morning Break (15 min.) 10:45 to 11:00 am**

❖ **Brownfields Land Reuse Success Stories (30 min.) 11:00 am to 11:30 am**

Speaker: Melody Calisay, Brownfields Coordinator

- Discuss past Brownfields grant redevelopment projects in Hawai‘i County and on other islands
- Highlight examples of all types of brownfields grants and the brownfields loan fund

❖ **Lunch Break and Presentation (90 min.) 11:30 am to 1:00 pm - Hawai‘i Island Community Development Corporation - Kohala Pesticide Mixing Site Cleanup**

Speakers: Brian Nishimura, HICDC Planning Consultant
Jeremy McComber, HICDC Development Manager

❖ **Hawai‘i County Environmental Contamination: Common Sources, Assessment, and Cleanup Options (30 min.) 1:00 pm to 1:30 pm**

Speakers: John Peard, Hilo Office Project Manager
Roger Brewer, HEER Office Risk Assessor

- Overview presentation on contamination issues in Hawai‘i County

❖ **Hawai‘i County Coordination on Potential Brownfields Redevelopment Sites (30 min.) 1:30pm to 2:00 pm**

Speakers: William Kucharski, Director, Department of Environmental Management
Michael Yee, County Planning Director

❖ **Afternoon Break (15 min.) 2:00pm to 2:15 pm**

❖ **Hawai‘i County Brownfields Roundtable Discussion (60 min.) 2:15 pm to 3:15 pm**

Goal of the discussion is to establish a network and communication plan to identify multiple candidate sites from the County of Hawai‘i for USEPA grant or loan applications every year.

- USEPA, HDOH, and CCLR discussion with workshop attendees.
- Discussion will focus on: 1) listing and updating sites of interest in Hawai‘i County, 2) evaluating site grant or loan eligibility, 3) judging the competitive likelihood for receiving a grant or loan, 4) prioritizing sites, 5) identifying network members and means of communication; and 6) next steps.

❖ **Summary and Closing Remarks (15 min.) 3:15 pm to 3:30 pm**

- Steve Mow, Supervisor, Site Discovery, Assessment and Remediation

❖ **Adjourn**



Purpose of the Hawai‘i Department of Health and Hawai‘i County Brownfields Workshop November 2, 2017

The Hazard Evaluation and Emergency Office (HEER Office) of the Hawai‘i Department of Health (HDOH) encourages the appropriate redevelopment of property that may have been contaminated or potentially contaminated with hazardous substances and petroleum. Such contaminated or potentially contaminated properties are commonly referred to as “brownfields.”

The HEER Office has developed the voluntary Brownfields program to help interested parties make sure their property is safe to develop for its intended use. The program addresses the needs of state and local government agencies, non-profit organizations, private developers, environmental specialists, and others.

The HEER Office also helps USEPA identify eligible recipients for federal financial assistance to assess and clean up brownfields properties. Each year, USEPA awards millions of dollars in grants to help local governments assess or redevelop valuable property that may be contaminated.

Once contamination is properly addressed, developers must then comply with all applicable local, state, and federal environmental requirements. HDOH can help assure interested parties that development proceeds in accordance with all necessary environmental requirements. The Department has prepared a comprehensive *Technical Guidance Document (TGM)* with an abundance of technical and program related to addressing contamination.

The purpose of this one-day *Hawai‘i County Brownfields Workshop* is to promote networking to identify candidate contaminated or potentially contaminated sites on the island to submit for USEPA grants or loan applications, each year. This workshop will also provide a foundation of information about: 1) federal grant programs and how eligible parties can apply for funding, 2) local, state and federal environmental requirements, and 3) HDOH programs and guidelines available to help environmental stakeholders address environmental issues.