

	Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (VT DEC)	Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	Agency of Commerce and Community Development (ACCD)	Regional Planning Commissions (RPCs)
Partners	<p>VT DEC provides regulatory oversight as well as technical and financial assistance to individuals and entities with a desire to redevelop a contaminated property.</p>	<p>EPA provides funds and technical assistance to states, tribes, communities, and other stakeholders to encourage brownfield redevelopment.</p>	<p>ACCD provides financial assistance for brownfields redevelopment projects through the management of grants, loans, and other incentives.</p>	<p>The Vermont Association of Planning and Development Agencies, Inc. (VAPDA) is composed of eleven RPCs that can provide technical and financial assistance for brownfields redevelopment.</p>
Major Roles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides state liability protection through the BRELLA Program • Reviews all environmental technical documents • Provides assessment and cleanup funding (grant of services) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Work is completed by one of VT DEC's pre-qualified environmental professionals • Liability assistance for RPCs, RDCs, and municipalities • Outreach and education to developers, property owners, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants federal liability protection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Includes bona fide prospective purchasers (BFPP) • Provides review of technical documents • Provides funding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Available to state, local, and tribal governments; RPCs, and redevelopment agencies, and non-profits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brownfields Revitalization Fund (BRF) for cleanup activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Revolving Loan Fund ○ Grants available to non-profits and municipalities • Vermont Community Development Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Administers CDBG funds from HUD • Brownfields Tax Credits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For designated downtowns and village centers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding for site assessment and development of corrective action plans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Work is completed by one of the RPC's pre-qualified environmental professionals • Revolving Loan Funds for implementing cleanup <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Managed by NRPC, SWCRPC, and WRPC • Outreach and education
What you need to do	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply to participate in the BRELLA Program: http://dec.vermont.gov/waste-management/contaminated-sites/brownfields/BRELLA • Apply for VT DEC Brownfields Funding: http://dec.vermont.gov/waste-management/contaminated-sites/brownfields/apply/technical-assistance-program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete a Phase I ESA prior to purchasing the property <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Satisfies All Appropriate Inquiry (AAI) requirements to qualify as a BFPP ○ Must be conducted within 1-year (and updated within 180 days) prior to property acquisition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fill out a BRF application: http://accd.vermont.gov/economic-development/funding-incentives/brownfields-initiative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Applicants must be enrolled in BRELLA, have BFPP status, and have an approved Corrective Action Plan to access these funds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact your respective RPC to learn about their current funding availability and fill out an application. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Find your region here: https://www.vapda.org/ or VT DEC will connect you with the primary contact.