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NYC Voluntary Cleanup Program Enrolls 250th Cleanup Project

On January 29th OER enrolled the 250th project in its NYC Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). This important milestone was achieved after 4 years of operation of the VCP. Collectively these projects will provide for the cleanup and revitalization of over 450 tax lots which have been vacant an average of over 11 years. Fifty-five of these projects will provide over 3,750 new units of affordable or supportive housing for New Yorkers. Overall, these projects will result in over \$6 billion in new private investment and over 4,000 permanent new jobs. For more information on the NYC Voluntary Cleanup Program, contact OER Deputy Director Shaminder Chawla at 212-442-3007.

BrownfieldWORKS! Kicks Off Second Cohort

OER kicked off its 2nd cohort for the BrownfieldWORKS! on-the-job training and mentoring program. This new round of graduates of local workforce development programs will be placed on cleanup projects in the NYC Voluntary Cleanup Program. OER has grants that fund trainees' salaries for a 3-month period and provides prospective trainees with a



mentor from OER's staff who aids in further workforce development. This second BrownfieldWORKS! cohort includes 10 graduates from St. Nick's Alliance, STRIVE, and the Fortune Society. To learn more about BrownfieldWORKS!, or if you are interested in hiring a trainee, please contact Amanda Duchesne at 212-341-2077 or aduchesne@dep.nyc.gov.



**NYC Brownfield Partnership is Accepting
Nominations for the 2015 Big Apple Brownfield
Awards**

The NYC Brownfield Partnership is now accepting nominations for the 2015 Big Apple Brownfield Awards. The Awards honor the best examples of brownfield cleanup and redevelopment projects in New York City. Eligible brownfield projects include those in NYC that completed cleanup and received a City or State cleanup completion certificate by December 31, 2014. Categories include:

- Affordable Housing
- Brownfield Community Planning Connectivity
- Climate Resiliency
- Collaboration
- Community Outreach
- Economic Development
- Environmental Protection
- Green Building
- Innovation
- Open Space
- Sustainable Remediation

The deadline for nominations is February 13, 2015. Materials received after the deadline will not be considered. To learn more or to nominate a project please visit: www.nycbrownfieldpartnership.org/awards. Interested parties can also contact OER for more information.

Air Quality and Noise Remedial Action Plan

Project Name
Site Address
Borough Block XXXX, Lot(s) XXX
E. Designation Number E/R- XXX
OER Project Number XXXXXXXXX
DEP Project Number xxDEPTECHxxxx

OER Develops New Template for Noise/Air Quality Remedial Action Plan

OER has developed a new template for the Noise and Air Quality Remedial Action Plans. The template can be found on OER's Website. For more information, contact OER Assistant Director Maurizio Bertini at 212-788-3922.



NYS Brownfield Cleanup Program Participants Eligible to Receive NYC Green Property Certification

Participants in the NY State Brownfield Cleanup Program, including any completed projects since 2003, are now eligible to receive NYC Green Property Certification. This certification, issued by the Mayor's Office, symbolizes the City's confidence that the property and its buildings are among the safest places in New York City to live and work. Certification was formerly only available to properties in the NYC Voluntary Cleanup Program. Properties that receive certification are eligible to receive a free building foundation plaque engraved with the NYC Green Property Certification seal. If you have completed a NYS Brownfield Cleanup, please contact Eric Ilijevich for more details at 212-341-2034; Email: eilijevich@dep.nyc.gov.



CEQR-Access Launched

The NYC Office of Environmental Coordination has launched CEQR-Access, an online tool that enables users to retrieve final environmental review documents on projects that are undergoing or have completed review through the City Environmental Quality Review (CEQR) process. You can log on to CEQR-Access from the web at

http://www.nyc.gov/html/oec/html/ceqr/ceqr_access.shtml

NYC Brownfield Partnership Networking event with New Jersey Society of Women Environmental Professionals

On October 28th 2014, the New York City Brownfield Partnership and the New Jersey Society of Women Environmental Professionals cohosted a networking event



at Gigino at Wagner Park in Manhattan. Approximately 60 students, scientists, engineers, lawyers, and planners from the public and private sector were in attendance.



National Brownfields Conference to be Held in Chicago

Save the dates of September 2-4, 2015 for the next National Brownfields Conference, which will be held in Chicago. To register, visit the Brownfields Conference [website](#). At the conference, in addition to the educational program, there will be mobile workshops, networking events, film and documentary viewings and a poster gallery showcasing innovative work and research being performed in the brownfields community.

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