Rural Desert Southwest Brownfields Coalition
and
Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund Program
Quarterly Meeting Summary
March 8, 2018, 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Attendees:

Lorina Dellinger – Nye County
John Klenke – Nye County
Danielle McKee – Nye County
Bryan Pyle – White Pine County
Tom Schaniel – Inyo County
Dan McPeake – Mineral County
Annette George – Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
Perline Thompson – Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
Lisa George – Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
Virginia Sanchez – Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
Eileen Christensen – BEC Environmental, Inc. (BEC)
Rachel Schlick - BEC

Acronyms:

ESA – Environmental Site Assessment
FBO – Fixed Base Operator
NBP – Nevada Brownfields Program
NDEP – Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
RDSBC – Rural Desert Southwest Brownfields Coalition
RFP – Request for Proposals
RLF – Revolving Loan Fund

I. Introductions - Roll call and greetings.

Perline Thompson (Tribal Council Member), Lisa George (Tribal Council Member), Annette George
(Natural Resources Manager), and Virginia Sanchez (Planning Manager) of the Duckwater Shoshone
Tribe were welcomed to the Rural Desert Southwest Brownfields Coalition (RDSBC).

Dan McPeake (Mineral County Public Works Foreman) was introduced as Mineral County’s new
RDSBC representative.

Schlick agreed to distribute presentation materials from the 2017 National Brownfields Training
Conference to new RDSBC members.

II. General Updates

The draft Area Wide Plan was distributed to the RDSBC for review and comment on March 8, 2018.
The draft Final Report for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 Coalition Assessment Grant was in development.
McKee informed the participants the Request for Proposals to select a Qualified Environmental
Professional for the FY2017 Brownfields Coalition Assessment Grant was approved by the Nye
County District Attorney. The RFP was anticipated to be posted publicly on the Nye County website on March 9, 2018, and published in the Pahrump Valley Times, Tonopah Times, and Las Vegas Review Journal the following week.

III. Updates by County

1. Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
   a. Sanchez explained approximately 31,000 acres was transferred to the Duckwater Shoshone Tribe through the Nevada Native Nations Land Act in 2016. The BLM cadastral survey was anticipated to be complete by the end of March 2018. Once complete, Duckwater and BLM representatives would coordinate to identify potential brownfields.
2. Esmeralda
   a. Silver Peak Properties – The Phase II investigation and cleanup activities through the Nevada Brownfields Program were ongoing through the quarter.
3. Inyo
   a. Wye Road in Bishop, CA – Tom Schaniel (Inyo County) reported there were no updates for the Wye Road property this quarter.
   b. Mt. Whitney Fish Hatchery – There were no new updates regarding Mt. Whitney Fish Hatchery during this quarter.
   c. Olancha Gas Station – Schaniel informed the participants a potential new brownfield site was brought to his attention by a developer interested in opportunities through the program to facilitate redevelopment as a fruit stand. This abandoned gas station located near the intersection of U.S. Highway 395 and California State Route 190 in Olancha, California, had an active Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board case file.
4. Lincoln
   a. Gem Theater – Opportunities available through the brownfields program were provided to Mr. John Christian (Property Owner), who planned to provide the information to prospective purchasers.
5. Mineral
   a. McPeake identified Jackson’s Gas Station at 1300 U.S. Highway 95 in Mina, Nevada, as a potential brownfield site
   b. McPeake discussed the ongoing interest in facilitating redevelopment of Montgomery Pass through the brownfields program
   c. There was discussion regarding a former railroad property near Luning, Nevada, that was under consideration for the brownfields program.
6. Nye
   a. Public Works Buildings 1 & 2 – McKee explained the scope of work was approved by Tim Dahl (Nye County Public Works Director). Next steps would include using the scope to develop an RFP and submitting the RFP to the Nye County District Attorney for legal review. A cost estimate for Nevada State Historic Preservation Office Section 106 coordination was in review.
   b. Fixed Base Operator (FBO) Building – McKee explained the scope of work was approved by Dahl. Next steps would include using the scope to develop an RFP
and submitting the RFP to the Nye County District Attorney for legal review. Once authorized, the RFPs would be published for bid.

c. Tonopah Library Expansion Project – There were no new updates regarding the Tonopah Library Expansion Project this quarter.

7. White Pine
   a. Pearce Addition parcels near Ely, Nevada – David Friedman, Nevada Brownfields Program coordinator, provided grant opportunities information to the property owner to help facilitate redevelopment for agricultural purposes.
   b. McGill Ballpark – Bryan Pyle (White Pine County) noted one field was in operation and one field was pending cleanup and abatement of asbestos-containing bleachers. He noted funding for this cleanup had been identified and agreed to provide the amount of funds leveraged for the cleanup project, once confirmed.

IV. Financial Status by Task and Cumulative Expenditures to Date

The Final Report was in development at the end of the quarter.

V. Revolving Loan Fund (RLF)

1. Public Works Buildings 1 & 2 – See Section III, item 6-a above.
2. Status of the Tonopah Airport FBO Building Cleanup – See Section III, item 6-b above.

VI. Open Discussion

VII. Action Items

1. Schlick agreed to distribute the National Brownfields Training Conference presentation materials (completed March 9, 2018).
2. Schlick agreed to distribute the draft Rural Desert Southwest Brownfields Coalition FY2014 Final Report for review and comment.
3. Schlick agreed to develop a Doodle Poll to determine availability for the next Quarterly Meeting (completed March 9, 2018).

VIII. Next Meeting

A Doodle poll was developed to schedule the June 2018 Quarterly Meeting.