



# RURAL OREGON BROWNFIELD WORKSHOP

## Two Opportunities to Attend!

*October 5 in La Grande or  
October 7 in Bend*

### AGENDA

#### 10:00 to 10:15 **Welcome and Introductions**

From the corner gas station to the old mill site, brownfields opportunities are everywhere! Join us and find out ways to address brownfield properties in your community.

#### 10:15 to 10:30 **DEQ's Role in Redevelopment**

*Speaker: Scott Fairley, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)*

Do you have a site you'd like to see redeveloped? From technical assistance to encouraging investor confidence, here's how DEQ can help.

#### 10:30 to 11:00 **Liability 101**

*Speaker: Charlie Landman, DEQ*

Are you liable for contamination if you purchase a property, accept a property as a donation, or obtain a property through tax foreclosure? Find out in this session. How can you minimize your liability? Learn about available tools such as a Prospective Purchaser Agreement.

#### 11:00 to 11:45 **Happenings in Eastern Oregon**

*Speaker: Katie Robertson, DEQ & Mike Shepherd, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)*

Brownfields in Eastern Oregon are being redeveloped! See examples of local projects in various stages of the redevelopment process. These projects represent a variety of historic uses and funding sources.

#### 11:45 to 12:30 **Lunch will be Provided** - Open Discussion

#### 12:30 to 1:00 **Brownfield Inventory**

*Speaker: Scott Fairley, DEQ*

A place to start? Learn methods for developing an inventory of brownfield properties in your community. This session will discuss Industrial Land brownfield inventories as well as lessons learned from a pilot brownfield inventory project completed by Environmental Alliance for Senior Involvement in Columbia County.

#### 1:00 to 1:45 **State Funding Opportunities**

*Speakers: Karen Homolac, Oregon Economic and Community Development & Katie Robertson, DEQ*

Learn more about state programs available to assist with Brownfield redevelopments.

### AGENDA (Continued)

1:45 to 2:00 Break

#### 2:00 to 3:00 **EPA's Brownfields Assessment, Cleanup Grants, and Revolving Loan Fund**

*Speaker: Mike Slater & Mike Shepherd, EPA, Region 10*

Learn more about these grant opportunities. Do you have a potential site? This will be a great chance to learn what sites are eligible, what is involved in the application process, and what resources are available to you to assist with your application process.

#### 3:00 to 4:00 **Open Discussion, One on One**

Have additional questions, potential brownfield sites? Stay and chat with the speakers.

**Cost: Free**

### **Do You Have Questions or Would You Like To Register?**

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*Due to limited space, pre-registration is required.*

### **Workshop Locations:**

#### October 5

Oregon Department of Transportation  
Region 5 Office Conference Room  
3012 Island Avenue, La Grande  
**Registration limited to 35**

#### October 7

United States Forest Service  
1230 NE 3<sup>rd</sup>, Suite A-262, Bend  
East/West Conference Room  
**Registration limited to 25**