

TAB Program Resources and Online Tools

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Technical Assistance to Brownfields (TAB)
Program

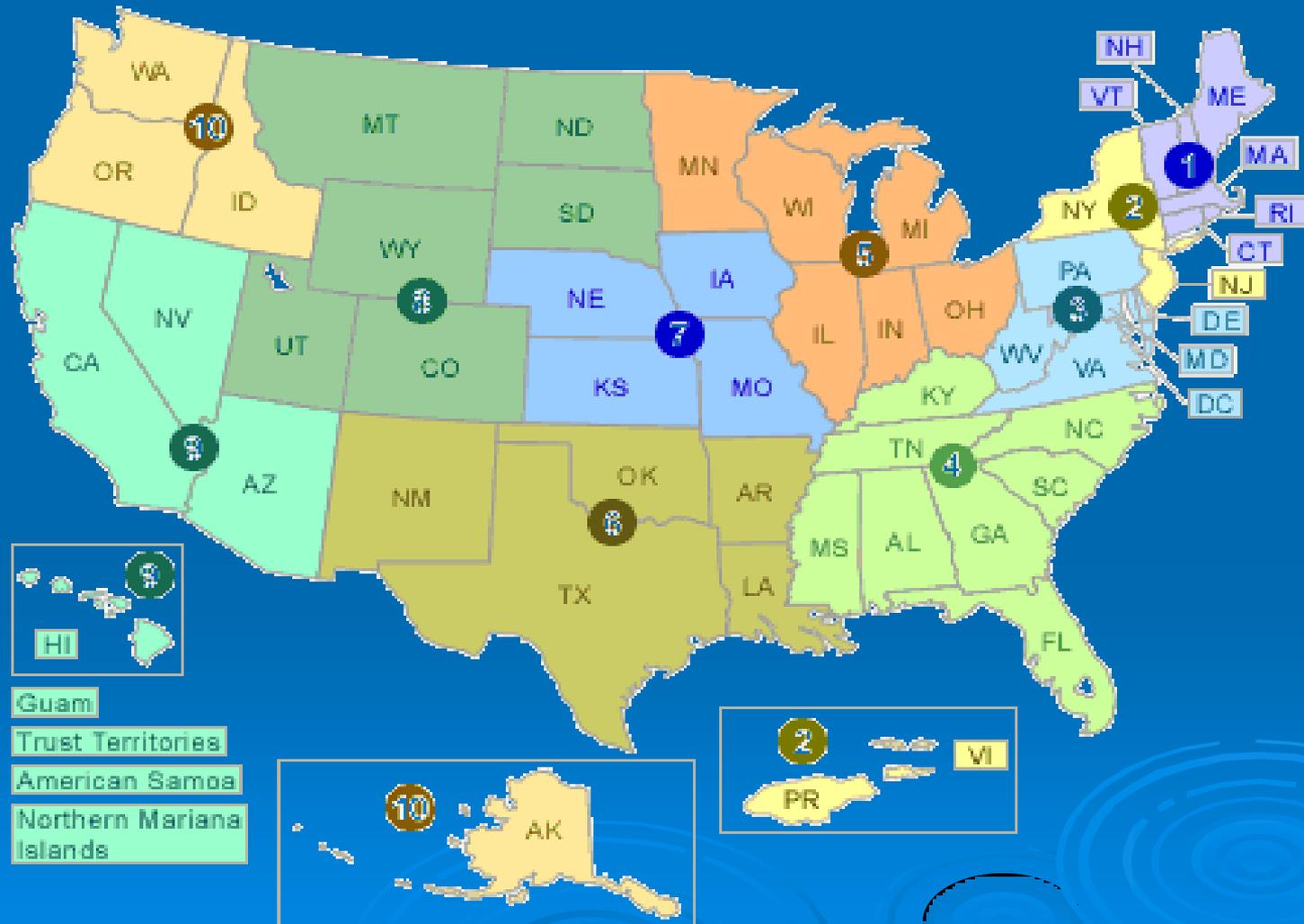
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Technical Assistance to Brownfield (TAB) Communities

- Assists communities with the brownfields redevelopment process
- A national program
- Funded by EPA headquarters via grants to 4 different entities
- **Free** to communities
- K-State assists communities in EPA Regions 5 and 7



EPA Regions



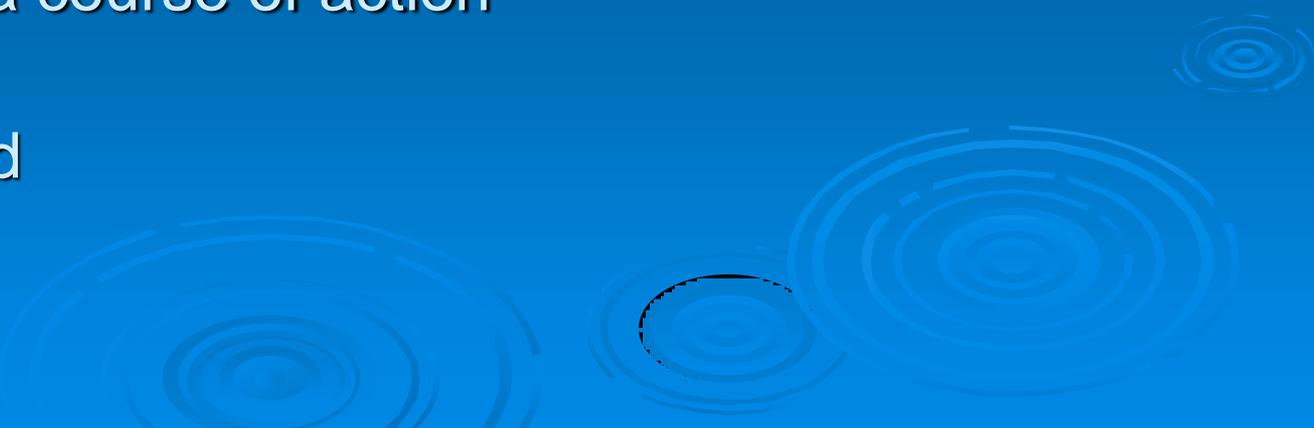
TAB Assistance to Communities

- Tailored to specific community needs
- Typically coordinated through the city, tribal or non-profit brownfields project manager

May include:

- Help identifying funding sources for revitalization projects
- Help with site inventories
- Educational workshops and redevelopment visioning
- Help finding a consulting firm
- Review of project plans, technical reports
- Assistance with community outreach/involvement
- Other assistance, as needed and agreed upon
- Communities accepted on a 'first come' basis
- Depends on staff/funding availability

The Application Process

- Contact us
 - We'll set up a meeting to discuss assistance needs
 - Review needs and TAB capability
 - Agree on a course of action
 - Get started
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Redevelopment Planning



Visioning



Visioning

PREMIERE
Outdoor Destination
Park

MIXED USE



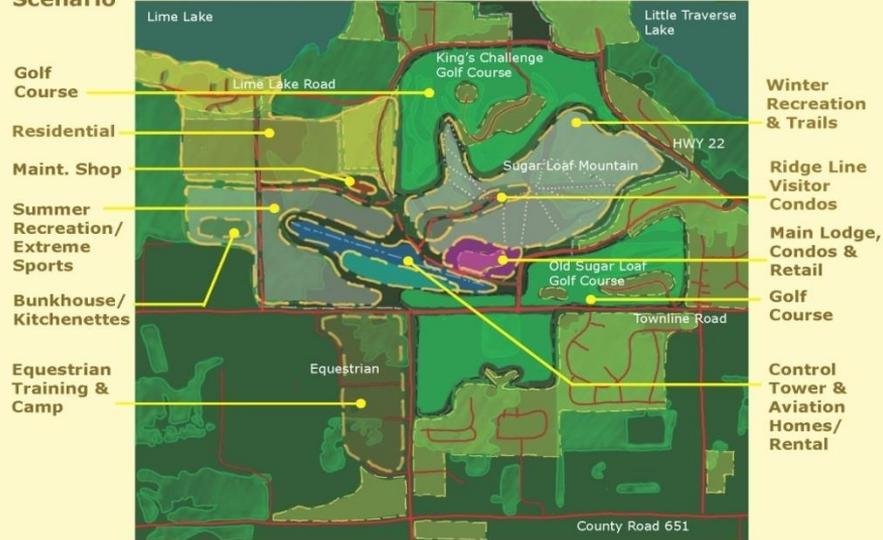
MINOR LEAGUE

- LINEAR VELODROME
- INLINE/SKATE PARK
- FRANCHISE SPORTS PARK - BASEBALL
- YEAR-ROUND USE (ICE RINK)
- NATURAL AREAS - HABITAT - PARK-LIKE SET
- * NEEDS TO BE REVENUE-POSITIVE (\$\$ MAKER)
- LEAVE AREAS FOR POTENTIAL COMMERCIAL GROWTH
- Initiation of neighborhood revitalization and re-use

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Potential Redevelopment Scenario #1: Leelanau County Resort Center

County-wide focused redevelopment.



The scenario plan and concept sketches are based on public input, are intended to be flexible, and provide a tool for continued dialog.

Main Lodge & Condos



Retail & Spa Center

Bunkhouse/Kitchenettes



Control Tower & Air Strip

recreation four seasons jobs agricultural heritage green construction local economy
 Technical Assistance to Brownfields Communities Program at Kansas State University. Summary of Leelanau County Visioning Sessions August 2009

Sustainability Planning

- Inventory Needs & Assets
- Plan Projects & Initiatives
- Evaluate Feasibility



Recent Trends – Smart Growth Communities

- Compact, walkable neighborhoods
- Transportation options within neighborhood and to the region
- Range of housing types
- Mix of uses — housing, offices, stores, schools, parks, etc.
- Jobs or access to them



Community Involvement

- Who is the Community?
- Why do it?



Community Involvement Methods

- Fact Sheets & News Releases
- Public Meetings
- Workshops/Seminars
- Community Day/Fairs
- Bus Tours
- Walking Tours



Source: City of Springfield, MO

If you feed them, they will come



KSU TAB Citizen Briefs

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Outreach Resources

Publications

Environmental Science and Technology Briefs for Citizens

Brownfields Resources

- [Brownfields Basics \(PDF\)](#)
What is a Brownfield?
- [Institutional Controls \(PDF\)](#)
- [Asbestos: What Is It? Where Is It? \(PDF\)](#)
- [Lead-Based Paint: What Is It? Where Is It? \(PDF\)](#)
- [Phase I Environmental Site Assessments \(PDF\)](#) property owners, investors, borrowers, and lenders.
- [Phytoremediation at Brownfields \(PDF\)](#)
What is it and how does it work?
- [Planning for Community Involvement \(PDF\)](#)
How to develop and implement a community outreach plan.
- [Steps in Choosing an Environmental Consultant \(PDF\)](#)
What to look for before starting your important projects.
- [What are Quality Assurance Project Plans \(PDF\)](#)
How to write and develop a quality assurance project plan.
- [Writing a Request for Proposal \(PDF\)](#)
Communities that receive a Brownfields Pilot Grant typically need to hire a contractor to do an environmental assessment of the property to be redeveloped. This 12-page publication provides guidance for soliciting proposals from contractors.
- [Grant Writing Tips \(PDF\)](#)

<http://www.engg.ksu.edu/CHSR/outreach/resources/>

Software Tools

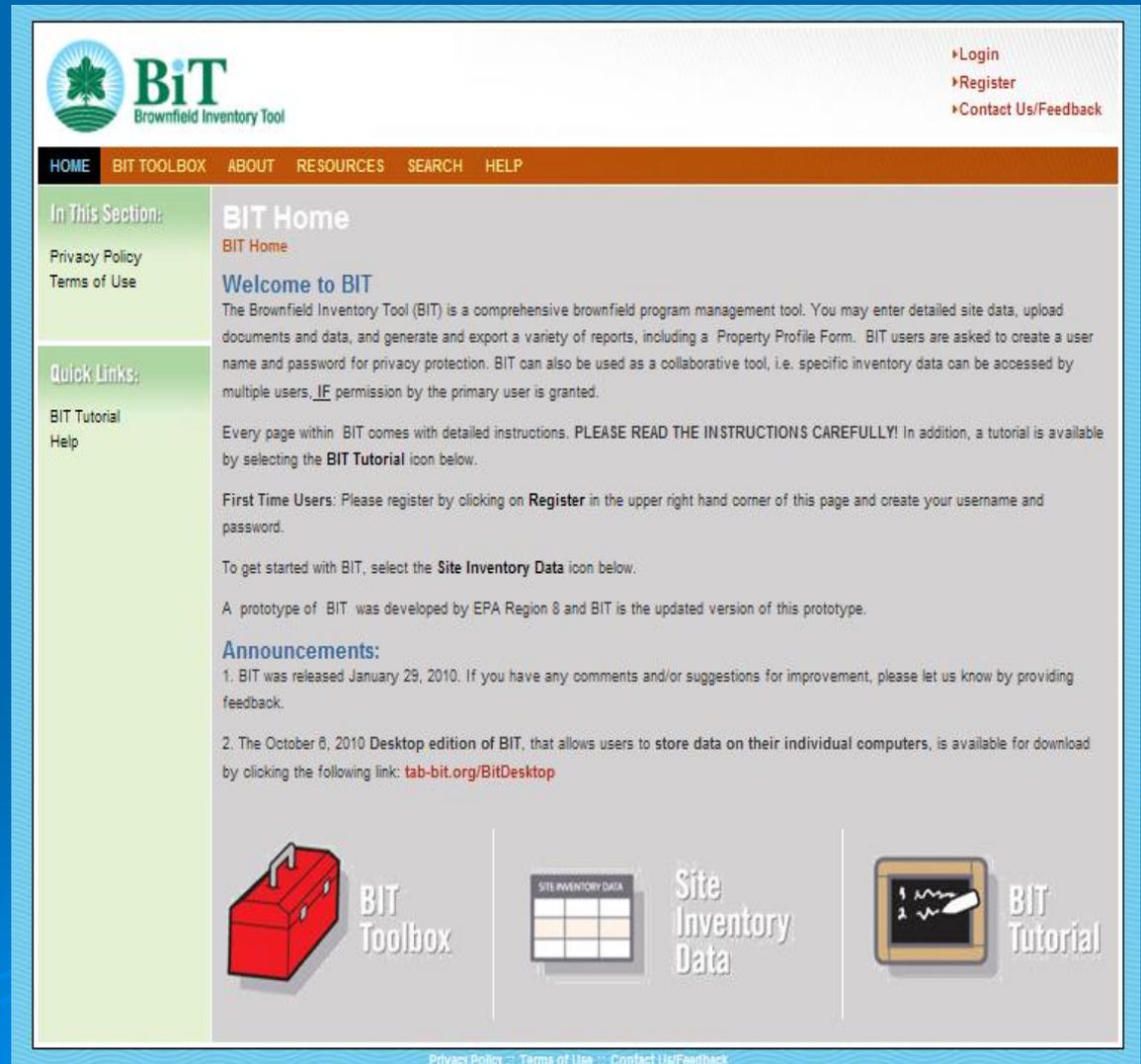
- TAB Brownfields Inventory Tool (BIT)
- TAB EZ Grantwriting Tool

BIT (Brownfields Inventory Tool)

www.tab-bit.org

Stores & Manages
Data:

- Site survey & inventory
- Assessment, cleanup, and redevelopment progress
- Public notice records
- Oversight & enforcement
- Reporting to ACRES



The screenshot shows the BIT (Brownfields Inventory Tool) website homepage. The header features the BIT logo (a green leaf) and the text "BiT Brownfield Inventory Tool". Navigation links include "HOME", "BIT TOOLBOX", "ABOUT", "RESOURCES", "SEARCH", and "HELP". In the top right corner, there are links for "Login", "Register", and "Contact Us/Feedback".

The main content area is titled "BIT Home" and includes a "Welcome to BIT" section. The text explains that BIT is a comprehensive brownfield program management tool used for entering site data, uploading documents, and generating reports. It also mentions that users must create a username and password for privacy protection and that BIT can be used as a collaborative tool.

Below the welcome message, there are instructions for "First Time Users" to register and a note about getting started with BIT by selecting the "Site Inventory Data" icon. An "Announcements" section lists two items: the release of BIT on January 29, 2010, and the availability of a 2010 Desktop edition for download.

At the bottom of the page, there are three icons: a red toolbox labeled "BIT Toolbox", a grid labeled "Site Inventory Data", and a tablet labeled "BIT Tutorial". The footer contains links for "Privacy Policy", "Terms of Use", and "Contact Us/Feedback".

BIT (Brownfields Inventory Tool)

Structure Mirrors the
Brownfields
Redevelopment Process

- Site Identification
- Assessment & Sampling
- Cleanup
- Institutional/Engineering Controls
- Redevelopment/Re-use

The screenshot displays the BIT web application interface. At the top left is the BIT logo (a green maple leaf) and the text 'BiT Brownfield I'. Below the logo is a navigation bar with 'HOME' and 'BIT TOOLBOX'. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Site Data:** A dropdown menu is open, listing: -Site Information, -Site Assessment, -Sampling, -Cleanup, -Institutional Controls, -Redevelopment/Reuse, Site Admin Info, -Complaints, -Inspection/Oversight, -Enforcement, Funding Summary, View/Upload Documents, Activity Log, and Back to Site Inventory.
- In This Section:** A list of actions: Site Inventory Data, Import Data (Tables), Generate Reports, Data Search / Export, and View Sites on Map.
- Quick Links:** BIT Tutorial and Help.
- Multiple Property Profile Form:** A form titled 'Multiple Property Profile Form' with a sub-section 'PART I - Property Information'. Below this is a map showing a street grid with several red location pins. A blue arrow points from the 'View Sites on Map' link in the navigation menu to the map.
- Log Out, Edit Profile, Contact Us/Feedback:** Links in the top right corner.
- Photo:** A photograph of a train derailed on a track next to a river.

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BIT (Brownfields Inventory Tool)

- Start using before writing grants
- Then use to show progress and plans in proposals, for:
 - Survey and inventory of potential brownfields
 - Site statistics in area
 - Priorities for assessment, cleanup, and redevelopment
- State Plan to report to ACRES

The screenshot shows the BIT web interface. At the top, there are navigation links: ABOUT, RESOURCES, SEARCH, HELP. The main content is split into two panels.

Plant B Site: Site Information
BIT Home > Bit Toolbox > Site Inventory Data > Site I

Site Name	Site Status	Street Address/P.O. Box (Address)
Plant B Site	In Assessment	5100 Upper Metro Place
Plant C Site	In Assessment	Lower Metro Place
Plant F Site	In Assessment	Lower Metro Place

Data Search / Export
BIT Home > Bit Toolbox > Data Search / Export

Search criteria: Dublin OH BF Program

Filters:

- Site Information: [Dropdown]
- Site Status: [Dropdown] Match Exact [Dropdown] In Assessment
- Current Zoning: [Dropdown] Match Exact [Dropdown] Industrial
- Redevelopment/Reuse: [Dropdown]
- Rail (Other Improvements): [Dropdown] Match Exact [Dropdown] Yes [Remove]
- Access Roads: [Dropdown] Match Exact [Dropdown] Paved [Remove]
- Gas (Utilities Present): [Dropdown] Match Exact [Dropdown] Yes [Remove]
- Electric (Utilities Present): [Dropdown] Match Exact [Dropdown] Yes [Remove]
- Sanitary (Sewer): [Dropdown] Match Exact [Dropdown] Yes [Remove]

Buttons: Add a New Search Field, Remove Category, Add a New Category, Search, Blank Template

TAB EZ

- Free tool to assist in writing EPA brownfields assessment and cleanup grant applications
- Lots of support and helpful hints

TAB EZ

Web - based software:
www.tabez.org



TAB EZ

▶Login
▶Register
▶Contact Us / Feedback

HOME GRANT APPLICATIONS RESOURCES SEARCH HELP

In This Section:

Home Page
About TAB EZ

Quick Links:

Sample Grant Applications
Tutorial
Definitions
Acronyms

Home

Home

Welcome to TAB EZ

Technical Assistance to Brownfields communities (TAB) easy brownfields grant application (EZ) software program

TAB EZ is a grant writing tool to be used for preparation of EPA brownfields grant proposals. Currently, TAB EZ only addresses **assessment** and **cleanup** grants; RLF grant proposal outlines may be added at a later date.

What TAB EZ can do:

TAB EZ provides a framework for your proposal and provides strategies and links to reduce time in writing the proposal.

What TAB EZ can not do:

TAB EZ can not write a specific and compelling request for Brownfield grant funding for you. It's your proposal and you need to incorporate your ideas and approaches!

Using this tool is not a substitute for reading the grant guidelines!

While we put a lot of information from the guidelines into TAB EZ, there is also information we did not include. Please read the guidelines at the **EPA brownfields** web page. Also, a copy of the guidelines can be found in TAB EZ under "Resources".

Register prior to use

While the use of TAB EZ is free, you must be a registered user to prepare a grant application via TAB EZ. Please register by clicking on "Register" in the upper right hand corner of the TAB EZ window.

TAB EZ was updated to be consistent with the FY2011 brownfields grant guidelines.

!!!The deadline to submit your FY2011 grant proposal is October 15, 2010!!!

On September 24, EPA sent out a notice that the assessment and cleanup grant guidelines were amended. These amendments were incorporated into TABEZ.

For quick reference: Assessment grant amendments: www.epa.gov/oswer/docs/grants/epa-oswer-oblr-10-09-amend.pdf Cleanup grant amendments: www.epa.gov/oswer/docs/grants/epa-oswer-oblr-10-11-amend.pdf



GRANT
APPLICATIONS
HOME



TAB EZ
TUTORIAL

What TAB EZ CAN and Can NOT do

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