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## News Release

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### **Funds Available for Eligible Brownfields Cleanup Projects in Oklahoma**

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has environmental cleanup funding available for eligible Brownfield sites in Oklahoma, through its existing Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund. Environmental cleanup funding is available as low-interest loans and sub-grants. Approximately \$450,000 is available for loans and \$200,000 is available for sub-grants.

These funds are meant to finance shovel-ready eligible brownfield cleanup projects, encourage redevelopment, and create local jobs in communities across the state. The funds may be used toward the cleanup of properties contaminated by hazardous substances.

Local governments, non-profit organizations, and tribes are eligible for the grants. Private entities, local governments, non-profit organizations, and tribes are eligible for low-interest loans. To ensure a fair, transparent selection and award process, a Statement of Interest form must be submitted by each applicant. The Statement of Interest includes general eligibility criteria and evaluation and ranking criteria that are used by DEQ to make an award decision. **DEQ will accept completed Statement of Interest applications for sub-grants until February 28, 2015.**

Please see the frequently asked questions document and other documents available at <http://www.deq.state.ok.us/lpdnew/Brownfields/SubgrantComp.html> for more information on applying for these funds. Questions may be sent in writing to [heather.mallory@deq.ok.gov](mailto:heather.mallory@deq.ok.gov), and responses will be posted in the frequently asked questions document available at the link provided above.

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