Ohio's Abandoned Gas Station Program

A Cooperative Initiative
Abandoned Gas Station Cleanup Grant

Grant guidelines currently being revised. The following presentation is subject to change.

Eligibility

• Vacant former gas or service station
• BUSTR Class C site with documented petroleum release
• Local governments (or jointly with third-party landowner)
Abandoned Gas Station Cleanup Grant

Grant Structure:
• Assessment/Corrective Action Grant
• Cleanup and Remediation Grant
Assessment/Corrective Action Grants

- Maximum grant of $250,000
- Eligible activities:
  - Up to $100,000 for assessment activities
    - Closure Assessments
    - BUSTR Tier I/II/III
    - VAP Phase I and II Assessments
  - Balance of funds can be used for cleanup & remediation activities to achieve NFA
    - Tank pulls
    - Soil and groundwater remediation
    - Non-petroleum contaminants such as asbestos, lead paint, etc.,
    - Demolition
Cleanup and Remediation Grants

- Maximum grant of $500,000
- Eligible activities:
  - Cleanup & remediation activities to achieve NFA
    - Tank pulls
    - Soil and groundwater remediation
    - Non-petroleum contaminants such as asbestos, lead paint, etc.,
    - Demolition
- Assessment activities are *not eligible*
- If site was a prior grantee, any funds used for cleanup in previous grant are subtracted from the max grant amount
- Soft costs capped at 15%
Things to Remember

• All grant terms are 2 years
  – Disbursement requests must be submitted no later that 30 days of the work completion date
• Markup is no longer eligible
• Geophysical survey is required
• Will reimburse for VAP Phase I and geophysical survey up to $8,000 (combined)
Things to Remember

• Third-party owners are ok but can not be an individual
  – Must have an access agreement with a redevelopment plan
• If a VAP identified area is called out in the Phase I, it must be sampled and limited Phase II updated
  – Hydraulic lifts, ASTs, off-site sources etc.
• Land Banks are exempt from enforcement by BUSTR (ORC 5722.22)
Funded Projects

64 Grants

Totaling more than $8.5 million

47 Communities
TBA and Gas Station Program

• Complete the VAP Phase I
• Geophysical Survey
• Asbestos Survey
• Petroleum release – limited Phase II