

Cleaning up

Brownfields in Lane County

Improving the environment and creating jobs

Our community is now aware of how materials like petroleum, chemicals commonly used by businesses such as drycleaners, and asbestos affect the environment. We are working hard to clean up historical spills that may potentially impact community health.

In 2013, the Eugene/Springfield/Lane County Brownfields Coalition received over half a million dollars in funding from the federal government to:

- **Evaluate properties** for hazardous substance and petroleum contamination
- **Assess clean-up** options and costs
- **Identify the potential value** and market for the property

What's Happening?

Two years later, the Brownfields Coalition completed an **inventory of 400 sites** and identified priority areas of focus and it has **conducted site assessments on 13 properties**.

The site assessments provided property owners with an understanding of their property's environmental conditions, so they can begin to make decisions to make the properties active again. Outcomes include:



- **Planned redevelopment of Riverfront property** next to EWEB Headquarters into a City park and new housing and commercial space

The EWEB Master Plan vision includes a boardwalk, riverside park, bike path, housing, and restaurants.

- **Downtown redevelopment** utilizing existing structures and planned new buildings on vacant sites

- **Re-use of commercial facilities** in West Eugene and Glenwood, expanding economic opportunity

- **New Affordable housing** planned in the urban core

- **NO cleanup is needed** for 4 assessed sites



A downtown building is being renovated by the University of Oregon to advance the formation and growth of tech-based startups regionally.

Program Goals

- 1 Spur economic development



Ninkaski is located on a former Brownfield site.

- 2 Improve the environment



Springfield is working to redevelop former mill sites.

- 3 Enhance the livability of our community



This site in downtown Eugene is now a multi-story building.

More Information

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