

Rural Desert Southwest Brownfields Coalition Assessment

and

Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund Program

Quarterly Meeting Agenda

March 3, 2022; 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm Pacific Time

Zoom Conference Call

Topic: RDSBC Quarterly Meeting

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89843692065>

I. Announcements

1. NyE Communities Coalition (NyECC) submitted a Community-wide Assessment Grant application per the FY2022 Guidelines for Brownfield Assessment Grants on December 1, 2021. Waiting for award announcement.
2. Nye County and BEC Environmental hosted a RDSBC Booth at the Northern Nye and Esmeralda County Housing Development Summit and Planning Workshop in Tonopah, NV mid-February to promote the Coalition with focus on the Northern Nye and Esmeralda Counties for assessment and redevelopment.

II. General Discussion

1. Public Outreach
 - a. Outreach Information Located Here:
<https://www.rdsbc.org/outreach/>
2. RDSBC Website Updates
 - a. Agendas and Meeting Summary from last quarter were uploaded on 12/22/2021.

III. Region Specific Updates

1. Duckwater Shoshone
 - a. Solid Waste Area – This site was submitted for future assessment consideration under the NyECC application submitted on December 1, 2021. Waiting for award announcement.
2. Esmeralda
 - a. NDEP Brownfields awarded for three structures: Field work completed – waiting for reports
 1. Silver Peak Community Center (CDBG Project)

- 2. Fish Lake Valley Community Center (CDBG Project)
 - 3. Labarthe House behind the Goldfield Community Center
- b. NDEP Brownfield application has been approved by the Esmeralda Board of County Commissioners to complete a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment in Silver Peak.
- 3. Inyo
 - a. Green Space Project near Olancha soda ash pile
 - b. Mt. Whitney Fish Hatchery (Tribal Application)
- 4. Lincoln
 - a. Gem Theatre
 - b. NRHA Pioche Housing Project (See NRHA Item #8, below)
- 5. Mineral
 - a. Courthouse
 - b. Babbitt Industrial Park Update – Tire company purchased a portion of this area for redevelopment
- 6. Nye
 - a. Nye County Courthouse (EPA Targeted Brownfields Assessment)
 - 1. Phase II activities occurred in December 2021.
 - b. Tonopah Library Expansion Project (See 2014 Revolving Loan Fund (RLF), below)
- 7. White Pine
 - a. McGill Slag Ditch
 - b. Centennial Fine Arts Center Project (See 2014 RLF, below)
 - c. Ely Grade School
- 8. Nevada Rural Housing Authority
 - a. Babbitt Houses in Tonopah (Nye County)
 - b. NRHA Pioche Housing Project (Lincoln County)

IV. 2014 Revolving Loan Fund (RLF)

- 1. Includes Esmeralda, Lincoln, Nye, and White Pine Counties, Nevada
- 2. Status of the Tonopah Library Expansion
 - a. Attended a mandatory pre-bid meeting at the library. Bid documents being revised based on contractor input. Addendum to be issued soon, followed by contractor selection and then work begins!
- 3. Status of the Centennial Fine Arts Center
 - a. Encompass Studios selected as Architect for the roof removal/replacement.
 - b. SHPO asked for additional information from EPA prior to approving design and materials for the structure.

c. Currently creating bid documentation to select contractors

V. 2020 Revolving Loan Fund (RLF)

1. Includes current members of the RDSBC: Duckwater Reservation; Esmeralda, Lincoln, Mineral, Nye, and White Pine Counties, Nevada; and Inyo County, California
2. Up to five projects are anticipated to be completed over the next three years
3. Marketing Strategies
4. Priority Sites
5. Tracking 20% Match
6. Projects that may be RLF opportunities
 - a. Green Space Project: Olancho soda ash pile and Wildlife Trail (Inyo)
 - b. Ely Grade School Project (White Pine)
 - c. Mineral County Courthouse

VI. Open Discussion

VII. Action Items

VIII. Next Meeting

1. Next meeting is in June – will send out a Doodle Poll