Introduction

The Indiana Brownfields Program (Program) offers Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) low-to-zero interest, flexible loans to finance environmental cleanups and facilitate the public or private redevelopment of brownfield sites throughout the State. In 2010, 2011, and 2013, U.S. EPA announced additional awards of $500,000 to the Indiana Finance Authority in RLF Supplemental funding, which with the State 20% cost-share required by U.S. EPA for each $500,000 award made additional funding available for cleanup activities at brownfields with hazardous substances and/or petroleum contamination. Contact the Program for the maximum amount of funds available for petroleum remedial services.

Who can request a loan through the RLF incentive?

Loans are available to qualifying Indiana political subdivisions, non-profit organizations, and private, for-profit organizations for cleanup activities at eligible brownfield sites.

What are the loan terms?

Loan terms are flexible and dependent upon project/borrower needs and the Program’s need to maintain the long-term stability of the RLF incentive. Interest rates will be fixed and range between 0 – 3%. The length of the loans will be within a maximum of 20 years. Repayment terms are negotiated on a project-by-project basis and may include a deferral of principal payments (and possibly interest payments) for up to two years.

An RLF Loan made to a political subdivision or a non-profit entity (but not a private, for-profit entity) may be partially forgivable as determined by the Program. The forgivable amount of a loan may not exceed the lesser of either $200,000 or 30% of the loan amount. The amount of forgiveness will be determined on a project-by-project basis by Program staff in accordance with the terms of the loan agreement. Specific Program-approved economic development or redevelopment goals must be achieved before a borrower will be released from its obligation to repay a forgivable loan.

What are some examples of cleanup activities that can be funded by the RLF incentive?

- Containment, treatment, or disposal of hazardous materials or petroleum contamination
- Excavation, consolidation, or removal of contaminated soils
- Removal of source materials, including free product recovery

How can I request funding?

Entities Statewide may apply for RLF loan funding at any time during the RLF grant project period, extended until July 31, 2015. Loans will be funded on a first come, first-served basis.

Visit the Indiana Brownfields Program Web site to view or download the RLF incentive application and guidelines at www.in.gov/ifa/brownfields/2366.htm.