Meeting Guidelines

Welcome to the 2020 RBP Annual Meeting

- Please stay muted during the meeting, especially if you are not participating.
- All voting members should unmute themselves for motions.
- If not done so already, please type your full name as your Zoom ID.
- Please use the chat box to ask questions.
- Questions for presenters will be answered after the presentation.
- If you would like to be recognized, please use the option to “raise your hand” function on the “Participant” tab.
- Meeting will be recorded.
**Agenda**

**Welcoming Remarks** – Rick Dunne, Executive Director, Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments and Roy Cavanaugh, RBP Chair

**BUSINESS PORTION**
1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call and Introductions - Rick Dunne
3. RBP Election of Officers - Roy Cavanaugh
5. CT Brownfield Land Bank Update – Rick Dunne, CTBLB President
6. Brownfields Program Updates – Lesley Barewin, NVCOG Senior Planner
7. Project Activity Report – Ricardo Rodriquez, NVCOG Environmental Planner
8. Questions and Comments
3. RBP Executive Board Elections

Fill 2 At-Large Positions

Michael Szpryngel, Finance Director
5. CT Brownfield Land Bank Update

Rick Dunne, CTBLB President
Arthur Bogen, CTBLB President Emeritus
6. Brownfields Program Update

Lesley Barewin, Senior Planner
Regional Brownfields Partnership - Quick Stats

Eligible Cities and Towns: 27
Residents: 687k
Projected population growth (2015-2025)*: 5%

*NVCOG 2016 Regional Profile estimate. Does not include RBP cities and towns outside of the NVCOG
Projects in the RBP Region

- **162** Publicly funded assessment and remediation projects
- **2,328** Funded Brownfield acres
- **>$70m** Public and private dollars leveraged by NVCOG’s federal grants
Goals: Improved communication with RBP members

**New Brownfields Newsletter**
- To help reach a broader audience
- Quarterly
- Features: program updates, funding news, upcoming events and trainings, articles about brownfields in the region and project highlights

**Website updates**
- New and updated content on NVCOG website
- Updated RBP page
- RLF and Assessment program
- RLF Application process
- Future webpage dedicated to brownfields program

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**RBP Newsletter - Issue 1**
**Fall 2020**

Welcome to our first Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments (NVCOG) Brownfields Program Newsletter! We are excited to share more information about our program on a regular basis along with upcoming events, funding opportunities and articles you might have missed.
Goals: Improve ease of applying for funds and provide continuous funding

**Designed New RLF Pre-application Form**
- For Clean-up projects
- Accepting applications for eligible projects until January 15, 2021

**EPA Assessment Grant FFY 2021**
- Applied in October 2020 for $300K
- Focus was Brownfield Corridor in South End of Waterbury
- Status: In review
- It’s a “community wide” grant, so funds available for all RBP communities
Goals: Develop new partnerships, increase community engagement and expand educational opportunities

Future Partnerships and Community Engagement
- Working with UCONN to update NVCOG’s current Brownfields inventory
- Improve community engagement for brownfield planning and redevelopment

Education and Training
- Sending out a brief survey to learn more about what kinds of education and training topics you would like for the coming year

Lesley Barewin
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7. Brownfields Project Activities Report

Ricardo Rodriguez, Environmental Planner
RBP Assessment Grant FY 2016

- Awarded in 2016
- 3 sites assessed within 2020
- 8 total sites since awarded
- Yielded 4 Phase I and 8 Phase II reports
- EPA approved a one-year extension, now closing on September 30th, 2021
RBP RLF FY 2005

- Awarded in 2005 with $500,000
- Closed out in 2020 with $3.13 million
- RLF funded 17 sites throughout the RBP
- Leveraged over 75 million in non-federal funds

NEW FY2020 RLF

- NVCOG recently awarded a new $800K RLF
- For clean-up projects only
- Solicitation open for new projects
- Sending out announcement with instructions on how to apply

Contact Ricardo Rodriguez for questions rrodriguez@nvcogct.gov
Southington 318 N Main Street

$400k + $400k \rightarrow $1.5m

EPA RLF + DECD Cleanup Grant \rightarrow Estimated Private Investment
DECD Grants

Active DECD Grants

Total Active DECD Grants Awarded to RBP towns

$3.2m

Active NVCOG DECD Grants

$1.1m

*Round 9, 10, and BAR
PRESENTATIONS

1. Professor Marisa Chrysochoou, UCONN’s CT Brownfields Initiative

2. Jim Byrne, US EPA Region 1

3. Graham Stevens, CT DEEP
And to all RBP Members

City of Ansonia
Town of Beacon Falls
Town of Berlin
City of Bristol
Bristol Redevelopment Authority
Town of Burlington
Town of Cheshire
City of Derby
Town of Middlebury
Borough of Naugatuck
Naugatuck Economic Development Corp.
Town of Newtown
Town of Plainville
Town of Plymouth
Town of Shelton
Shelton Economic Development Corporation
Town of Southbury
Town of Southington
Town of Seymour
Town of Thomaston
City of Torrington
Town of Winchester
Town of Woodbury
Town of Wolcott
City of Waterbury
Waterbury Development Corporation
Town of Watertown

Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Waterbury
New Opportunities
Hispanic Coalition of Greater Waterbury
Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board
Liberty Bank
Valley United Way
The Workplace
Connecticut Brownfield Landbank
Naugatuck Valley Health District

THANK YOU TO OUR STATE AND FEDERAL PARTNERS FOR THEIR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT

TO OUR 2019-2020 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR THEIR DEDICATION

Roy Cavanaugh, RBP Chair, Town of Watertown
Sheila O’Malley, RBP Vice Chair, City of Ansonia
Jim Nardozzi, RBP Treasurer & Secretary, City of Waterbury
Chris Edge, At-Large Member, Town of Berlin
Ron Pugliese, At-Large Member, Borough of Naugatuck