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Victoria Robinson: All right, so would like to again,  
welcome everybody to our call.

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These calls are part of our  
regular ongoing conversation

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about environmental  
justice at the EPA.

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Today's call will  
focus on Justice40,

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and in particular how it intersects  
with EPA's Brownfields Program.

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But before we start that conversation,  
I'm going to ask Charles Lee

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to provide some EJ program updates.

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Charles, you can go ahead and  
open your video and unmute your line.

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Charles Lee: Great, am I on?

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Victoria Robinson: Yes, you are.

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Charles Lee: Thank you, thanks  
Victoria and good afternoon everyone.

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Just wanted to start with of course,  
the focus today being Justice40,

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some milestones from-- some  
milestones related to Justice40,

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of course that on  
August 19th all agencies,

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including EPA submitted their  
stakeholder engagement plan.

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Actually this is-- this session  
and many to come are part

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of the EPA's efforts in a agency-wide coordinated  
way to do engagement around Justice40.

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The next milestone  
coming up is September 17th

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which is 60 days out from the OMB guidance on Justice40, are going to be submitted to OMB

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and those are going to include the agency plans for the cover programs

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to maximize their benefits, significant barriers or constraints

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for maximizing benefits, opportunities and or resources needed

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that may address these identified barriers and constraints

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and timelines for important milestones in the specific plans of cover programs.

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So that is the milestones  
also just to let everyone know,

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this is a pretty dynamic process

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and so there's a lot of conversations  
between federal agencies

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and with OMB on a regular  
basis to plan, learn from each other

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and to kind of chart out a pathway forward in  
a way that really builds on the experiences

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and lessons learned from each other.

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So that's the first update, the second  
one has to do with the EPA strategic plan,

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and the reason this is important is  
because of all the planning documents

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for federal agencies, the strategic  
plan is probably the most important,

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in terms of setting a big--  
high level strategic goals

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and performance metrics, accountability  
metrics associated with them.

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So for the first  
time in EPA history,

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the strategic plan has a what they call  
a strategic goal or a whole separate area

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devoted to taking decisive action on  
environmental justice and civil rights.

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It should be noted that EPA has  
heretofore carried out his mission

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his mission based upon three principles  
which are sound science, the road law

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and transparency and the fourth one had  
now been added which is justice and equity.

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So this is a very

significant document

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and we probably would plan  
to have a couple of sessions

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of these engagement sessions focus on  
it over the next several weeks or months.

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So I think that should do it Victoria in  
terms of our specifics updates.

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So let me now move on to provide  
the introduction for Elyse Sutkan

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from the brownfields program.

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The brownfields program is probably, is one



of the programs I throughout my-- the course

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of my own career has been very interested  
in because of the opportunities there

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for working within communities and  
cleaning up and revitalizing communities.

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And I think this really has shown itself  
over its history to be just that it

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and of course most of these communities  
are environmental justice communities,

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where-- which are disproportionately  
impacted by not only environmental harms

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and risks but also lack of you  
know opportunities in terms of jobs

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and economic development and  
health care, and so forth.

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So that's just a little bit  
of a backdrop in terms of why.

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This-- we're so glad that this program  
has been has stepped up as one of

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the programs under Justice40.

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So with that Elyse,  
I'll turn it over to you.

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Victoria Robinson: Before you get started,  
Elyse is a reminder to us all as presenters

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because we do have  
simultaneous strength-- interpretation

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that we need to slow down  
and I'm very guilty of this.

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So we need to slow down to  
allow for accurate interpretation.

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Thank you very much.

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Go ahead, Elyse.

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Elyse Sutkus: All right, thank

you Charles and thank you Victoria.

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Hello everyone, my name is Elyse Sutkus,

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and I work in EPA's Office of  
Brownfields and Land Revitalization

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at EPA Headquarters in Washington DC.

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I'll be giving today's presentation on the  
Brownfields and Land Revitalization Program,

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which is one of the  
Justice40 pilot program.

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So just to give you an overview of  
what I'll be sharing with you today,

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we'll talk about the definition of a  
brownfield and the purpose of EPA's program.

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I'll give you a bit of historical  
context about the program,

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and then we'll move in to talk about more  
detail for the brownfield grant opportunities

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that are available.

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I'll go over the types of grants,  
eligibility information, the timeline

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that we typically have for those grant competitions and a couple success stories.

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We'll, also talk about technical assistance that is available to all brownfield stakeholders,

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so more specifically, we'll get into details about our technical assistance

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to brownfield community providers.

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We'll talk a little bit about the American Rescue Plan funding

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and how it relates to our TAB providers.

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I'll also talk about our targeted brownfield assessments and land revitalization.

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I'll also go over the program's approach to meeting Justice40 goals and program benefits.

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And at that point, we'll have some time for Q&A about this presentation

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and the program overall.

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So throughout the presentation please feel free to type your questions in the Q&A pod.

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We do have some staff that will be responding to your questions

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as you ask them during the presentation.

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And during the Q&A portion, I'll answer  
some questions live,

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if those are more-- some of them are more  
broadly applicable to the entire audience.

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And after the Q&A, we'd like to  
solicit some feedback from you all.

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So we have some questions to help  
focus a discussion around Justice40 goals,

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so we're particularly looking for ways to  
increase access to EPA's brownfields resources

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and maximize benefits in  
disadvantaged communities.

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So our focused discussion will hopefully  
hear from you all on your feedback on that

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and then I'll also give a brief update on some  
other stakeholder engagement opportunities

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that will be coming up.

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All right, next slide, please.

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So first, I want to go over the  
legal definition of a brownfield site,

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and that is a property, the  
expansion, redevelopment,

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or reuse of which may be  
complicated by the presence

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or potential presence of a  
hazardous substance pollutant,

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or contaminant and that is  
in CERCLA,101(39) or Superfund law.

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So a lot of communities  
have difficulties in addressing

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and redeveloping  
brownfield sites,

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so when the levels of environmental  
contamination on a property are uncertain

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that property often sits  
vacant or under utilized

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which contributes to  
disinvestment and blight in an area,

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so the presence of brownfield properties  
really puts a strain on the local economy,

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the environment, and it can  
impact residents social well-being.

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So the EPA's Brownfields and  
Revitalization program provides grants

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and technical assistance to help promote  
planning, assessment, cleanup

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and reuse of brownfield sites as well as  
environmental job training for residents

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that are impacted by brownfield  
sites in their communities.

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The program also provides liability  
protections to help encourage acquisition

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and investment in the  
reuse of brownfields,

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and also establishes and enhances state  
and tribal response programs.

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So these program resources provide  
assistance in assessing sites

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and cleaning up sites  
and that helps reduce risk,

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and uncertainty in reusing  
brownfield sites.

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So the EPA's upfront investments really  
enable communities to take the first steps

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towards brownfields

cleanup and revitalization,

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and EPA is providing startup funding,

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and technical assistance to state, local,

tribal and non-governmental champions

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and stakeholders to help

address brownfields.

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So next, just a little

bit of historical context.

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So the brownfields program and EJ movement,  
really evolved over a similar timeline,

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helping to fuel one another and build  
strong communities.

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So in the 1990s concerns were growing about  
being able to reuse contaminated properties

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that were not Superfund sites.

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So the Brownfields and Land Revitalization  
program was born out of the Superfund program

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in the sense that CERCLA or Superfund laws  
strict liability scheme made people afraid

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to invest in these lesser contaminated  
properties that were not Superfund sites.

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So the US conference of mayors in the  
early 90s advocated for financial support

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and liability protection for  
these lesser contaminated sites

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that are often found  
in downtown areas,

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and leaders in environmental justice were really  
at the table from the beginning of the program

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sharing their concerns and helping to advise  
EPA on how to build a brownfields program.



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So in 1995 in particular, EPA and NEJAC  
held public hearings for EJ advocates

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and residents to discuss their  
needs related to brownfield's funding,

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and EJ has remained a core consideration of  
the Brownfields and Land Revitalization program

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throughout its evolution over the years.

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So next, I'll talk a bit more in detail about  
each of these competitive brownfield grant types.

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So this fall we have coming  
up our Fiscal Year 22 competition,

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so our assessment cleanup  
and Revolving Loan Fund solicitation

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is expected to be available  
this month or next month.

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Our assessment and cleanup  
grants are offered annually

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and typically the Revolving Loan Fund grants  
and multi-purpose grants alternate years.

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So this year we're competing  
the Revolving Loan Fund grants

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and it's expected that multi-purpose grants will be available in fall 2022.

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And also we have brownfields job training grants that are offered annually

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that solicitation is available right now, and is closing on October 5th.

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So in the coming slides, I'll talk a bit more about each of these grant types.

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So with an assessment grant there are a variety of eligible activities

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and some of these include an inventory  
to compile a list of brownfield sites,

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characterizing sites to identify past  
uses, the assessment of brownfield sites

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whether that's through phase 1 or  
phase 2 environmental site assessment.

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Community involvement to help engage local  
stakeholders and site assessment decisions,

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and also planning for site cleanup and  
redevelopment to identify opportunities

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for redeveloping the site and help develop  
those site cleanup plans based on the reuse.

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So a little bit more about the  
different types of assessment grants,

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because we do  
have a couple different types.

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So the community-wide assessment  
grants are for communities

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that don't have one specific site, maybe  
they're planning to serve a neighborhood

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or a particular area.

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And they're planning to use those grant funds on more than one brownfield site,

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so that's the community-wide assessment grant

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and the funding for that is available up to 500,000 dollars.

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We also offer site-specific assessment grants

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for communities that are really focused on one particular site,

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and that funding is available for up to 350,000 dollars,

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and last we also are offering this year a  
community-wide assessment grant for states and tribes.

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So this is only  
available to state agencies

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and Indian tribes and these Alaska  
organizations here.

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So in this competition, the applicant  
must plan to use these grant funds

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to assess at least 10 brownfield sites in  
disadvantaged communities in its jurisdiction.

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And that funding will be available up to

200 or up to 2 million dollars, sorry.

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And I'll cover-- oh sorry.

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I did want to just mention we  
also have multi-purpose grants

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that do include funding  
for site assessment

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and I'll cover that more in  
detail on an upcoming slide.

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So first,  
next slide, thank you.

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I'll talk a little bit more about our



cleanup grants.

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So these grants provide funding for cleanup activities at one or more brownfield sites.

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And at the time of application, the entity must own the site,

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and these applications also require a 20% cost share,

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and that cost share requirement is part of our statute.

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The cost share may be in the form of contribution of money, labor, material, or services,

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and must be used for eligible and allowable costs under the grant.

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And communities can apply for a hardship waiver,

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which is granted on a case-by-case basis,

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and those cleanup grants are for funding up to 500,000 dollars.

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So Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund grants provide capitalization funding

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to entities who make  
loans or sub grants

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to conduct cleanup activities  
at brownfield sites.

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So eligible entities can apply either  
individually or as a coalition,

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and our RLF grants also  
require a 20% cost share

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similarly to how I just  
explained for cleanup grants.

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Another thing to note is there is a  
non-competitive round of supplemental RLF funding,

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and that is for high performing grant recipients, and that occurs annually

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and funding for the Revolving Loan Fund grants is available up to one million dollars.

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All right and just a little bit more about the multi-purpose grants that I mentioned.

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So these grants exist to provide funding for a range of planning assessment

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and clean up activities within a target area,

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so with these grants, grantees must  
produce at least one phase II assessment,

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and one site cleanup and an overall  
plan for revitalization in the target area.

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These grants also require a cost share and funding is  
available for up to 800,000 dollars.

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And as I mentioned,  
multi-purpose grants are expected

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to be available next year since  
they are offered by annually.

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All right and last but not least  
our Brownfields Job Training grants

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provide funding to recruit,  
train and place unemployed

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and underemployed  
residents of communities

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who are impacted by  
brownfield sites and other wastes.

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So these training programs provide  
graduates an opportunity to seek

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and obtain environmental jobs  
that contractors might otherwise fill

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with workers from outside  
of the impacted community,

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and these grants are available  
for up to \$200,000 of funding.

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So I won't read through  
this entire list here,

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but eligible entities for brownfield  
grants generally include governmental

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and quasi-governmental entities, non-profits  
and limited liability corporations

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that have 501(c)(3)

status and tried.

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So this list here is always

listed in our grant guidelines

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and additional information is also

available in the specific guideline FAQs

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that are released whenever we have

guidelines come out on our website.

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So this graphic up here provides a general

timeline for EPA's brownfield grant competitions.



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And I have some more specific  
details on those timelines below.

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So for our Fiscal Year 22, ARC or  
Assessment Revolving Loan Fund

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and Cleanup grant competition,  
we're expecting that solicitation

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to come out this month or next month,

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after the solicitation comes out or the  
guidelines, we use the term solicitation

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and  
guidelines interchangeably.

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But we'll have at least 60 days before  
the deadline is due for those applications

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to be submitted, in roughly April to  
May that's when we expect solicitation

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selections to be announced.

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And in June through  
September of next year

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that's when selected applicants  
will finalize their work plans

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and work with regional  
program project officers

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to get some of that  
grant paperwork finalized,

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and by September  
and October of next year

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that's when these grants will be  
awarded and funds will become available.

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So the Fiscal Year 22 Job Training  
grants also are on a similar timeline,

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but a little bit ahead, so that solicitation  
as I mentioned is open right now

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that deadline is October 5th,

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and we expect selections to be  
announced in February of 2022,

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July through August will be the time  
frame for working on those work plans,

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and finalizing paperwork and then funds  
should be available in August and September.

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So I have a couple of example  
success stories of communities

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that have benefited from  
EPA brownfield funding.

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So in this story here, we  
have the city of Richmond

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that has partnered with Richmond  
Community Foundation

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and they were able to combine  
EPA brownfields funding

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with their own social impact bond  
program to help them purchase, rehabilitate

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and sell affordable housing  
that is energy efficient.

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And they've focused on selling  
those homes to first-time home buyers,

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particularly to help support wealth  
building in communities of color,

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and this program has had a lot of great  
success over these past few years.

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We have a case study that was  
recently published on the success story

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if you're interested in learning more, I wanted  
to ask if I'd be able to drop that in the chat

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if folks do want to see more  
information about that particular program,

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I'll share that with my colleagues,

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and they can send that to you  
if anybody wants to read more.

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So another success story we have is  
Zender, Inc. in Alaska,

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so Zender, Inc, program provides  
training for underserved tribal

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and isolated  
rural populations in Alaska,

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and they have been able to train and place  
over 115 job training program participants.

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They have a 95% job placement rate and an average wage of over 18 dollars per hour

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for graduates of their program.

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So moving on from brownfield grants,

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I'd like to talk a little bit more about brownfield's technical assistance.

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So EPA offers free technical assistance and training to communities



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and stakeholders  
on brownfield issues,

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so in particular, our technical  
assistance to brownfield communities

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or TAB providers help communities to  
navigate the assessment cleanup

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and redevelopment process.

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So some of the things that  
they can offer assistance with

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include grant applications, performing site  
inventories, reviewing historical information

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about sites, the design of  
the investigation, sampling

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and field analysis and cleanup  
and redevelopment planning as well.

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Thank you.

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So this assistance is free  
to community stakeholders

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to help them address brownfield  
sites and increase their understanding

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and involvement in site cleanup

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and reuse and you do not have  
to be a brownfield grant recipient

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to request technical assistance  
from these providers.

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So information that you see here on this  
table on the left, all of this is available

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on our website, on our  
technical assistance page,

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so the TAB providers that I was just  
talking about are geographically based,

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so if you want to reach out to one of  
them, you should contact the TAB provider

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for your EPA region.

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And we also have some specific  
technical assistance providers

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for focus areas on  
equitable development,

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so Groundwork USA  
provides nationwide resources

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and technical assistance to  
support equitable development

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and environmental justice in  
communities that have brownfields,

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and we also have a TA provider focused on  
brownfields redevelopment training and education.

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So that's the Hazardous Materials  
Training and Research Institute or HMTRI,

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and they provide nationwide  
resources and training for current

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and prospective job training grantees.

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So earlier this year, the  
American Rescue Plan was passed

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and the Brownfields and  
Land Revitalization program

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was able to receive 5  
million dollars in ARP funding.

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The program has put this money towards  
our TAB providers that serve EPA's 10 regions

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with the goal that these funds will  
help facilitate the removal of barriers

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to brownfields reuse and help  
spur redevelopment and sustainability

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and stimulate economic  
activity in overburdened communities.

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So normally EPA funds are TAB providers  
year to year, but this funding ensures

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that TAB providers have access to the resources  
they need to continue supporting communities.

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So for communities that need  
assistance in assessing a brownfield site

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we also offer targeted  
brownfields assessments,

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so TBAs or Targeted Brownfields Assessments  
are conducted by an EPA contractor

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on behalf of public entities  
and nonprofits

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and communities that are selected for  
TBAs are chosen locally on a rolling basis

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and those services are usually for an  
average of about 100,000 dollars

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and those services can  
include site assessments,

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cleanup options and cost estimates,  
and community outreach.

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So EPA's TBA assistance is available  
through two sources,



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both directly from EPA through  
EPA's Regional Brownfield Offices

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and from state and tribal voluntary response  
program offices that receive funding from EPA.

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So if you're interested in finding out more  
about targeted brownfield assessments,

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you can click on  
that link on the slide

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and that will give you more  
information about how you can reach out

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to your regional offices

for more information.

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So EPA's Land Revitalization program offers tools, guides, trainings and best practices

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to help communities sustainably reuse their brownfield sites.

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There are many resources available on EPA's website,

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so the link on this slide takes you to EPA's Land and Revitalization toolkit

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and that toolkit is organized into different

stages of the redevelopment process

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to help stakeholders find what resources  
we have in particular for site reuse,

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pre-development, development and  
managing and operations of the site.

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The program also conducts land  
revitalization technical assistance projects

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to help communities  
move past barriers to site reuse.

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So I'll talk a little bit more about the Brownfields

and Land Revitalization programs approach

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for meeting the Justice40 initiative.

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So the program has looked back at our  
most recent grant competitions

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from Fiscal Year 21 to identify applicants  
that are serving disadvantaged communities

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that were selected to receive  
brownfields grants

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and part of that analysis  
included projecting the benefits

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that we expect to accrue as

a result of those grant dollars.

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The program has also made changes to the  
Fiscal Year 22 Brownfields Assessment

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Revolving Loan Fund and Cleanup grant guidelines  
that are coming out this or next month,

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and those changes were  
to reflect Justice40 goals

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and help improve our  
process for tracking benefits

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in disadvantaged  
communities in the future.

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So we're asking applicants now to  
make sure they provide addresses

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if they have site-specific work

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and also provide census

tract numbers if it's applicable

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for a target area that is a particular  
neighborhood or area that's smaller than

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the overall town or city or county.

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And of course part of our approach  
is to engage with stakeholders,

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we're hoping to get feedback

from you all on this call in just a bit,

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so we do have some additional  
opportunities for stakeholders to engage

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with the program in the future and I'll  
talk a bit more about those opportunities,

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once we've had our discussion.

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And next slide, thanks.

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So after, we're going  
to have some Q&A first,

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but after our Q&A, we'd like to hear from  
you all about the prevalence of brownfields

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in your communities and if you're  
aware of EPA brownfield resources

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to help with site assessment,  
cleanup, reuse and job training,

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we'd like to have a conversation  
about the benefits of the program.

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So the program does ask  
grant recipients to report

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on the number of sites that  
are assessed, cleaned up

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and a number of job training program



participants who are trained in place,

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but we want to hear from you all too if  
you experience additional benefits beyond

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site assessment, cleanup and job  
trainees that benefit from our funding.

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So we're looking for feedback  
that will help inform our program

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how to maximize these benefits in  
disadvantaged communities.

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All right, so I'll invite you to submit

questions in the Q&A pod if you haven't already

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about this presentation and  
what I've talked about so far.

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My colleagues have been answering some  
questions I think during the presentation.

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If we have any that are applicable to  
the whole group, I can respond to those here,

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And I'll-- oh sorry go ahead.

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Victoria Robinson: I was gonna say thank you  
Elyse, as we start getting a couple questions,

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I just wanted to let folks know that

the links that are not where the URL

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is not evident in the slides.

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We will make sure that they are  
included in the copy of the slide deck

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that we will make available.

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So we will actually put the-- spell out  
the URLs so that you can find those things,

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much easier when you  
guys see the slide deck.

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And I think some of those are also  
being put into the Q&A pod as well,

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and we'll go from there.

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So I was going to ask Patricia,  
I know you're typing an answer,

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did you want me to go ahead and read  
the question from-- the first question

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or you want to go ahead  
and read that question?

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Patricia Overmeyer: Go ahead  
and read the question, please.

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Victoria Robinson: Okay  
I'll go ahead and read it.

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Elyse, we have a question that  
was asked by Karen Sprayberry,

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will applicants get additional points toward  
their RFP if they are in an EJ community?

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Elyse Sutkus: Okay great,  
thanks for your question.

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So we evaluate our applications  
based on their responses to the criteria

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that are in our guidelines and we do try to  
highlight sensitive populations in those guidelines.

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So strong applications will describe the

EJ issues that are faced by the community,

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they propose to serve.

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So our upcoming grant guidelines, they'll be evaluated on the extent to which grantees

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can demonstrate that their project will address threats to sensitive populations,

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including their health or welfare if there are any greater than normal incidence

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of diseases or adverse health conditions,

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and any disproportionately

impacted populations.

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So we don't award automatic points or anything  
for communities in that are identified as EJ,

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but we ask our grantees or  
applicants to explain their situation

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and respond to our criteria and those  
that articulate those clear problems

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will score more favorably.

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Victoria Robinson: Thank you very much, Elyse.

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The next question  
from Maureen Goulet,

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are the same organizations  
such as states, nonprofits, etc.,

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eligible to apply for the training funds?

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Elyse Sutkus: I'm not entirely  
clear on which training--

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oh, do you mean for the  
brownfield job training grant?

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So as I mentioned those-- the list of the full  
eligible entities is in the solicitation

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and I believe that those  
entities are the same.



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I think that we also-- I might have to get  
back to you on that one,

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but it's my understanding that the eligible  
entities that I mentioned are available

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for the job training grants and there  
might be another category as well.

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Patricia Overmeyer: Yes-- this is Patricia.

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Generally, they're the same entities  
but there are additional criteria

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on that basically to apply for  
a job training grant.

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You also have to have  
a job training program

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that basically our grant is  
to add to your curriculum.

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So basically you use a  
brownfields job training grant

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to add environmental job  
training brownfield, job training,

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curriculum, training  
classes to your curriculum.

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So you generally will have to have or

be putting together a job training program

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to score sufficiently to get  
a Brownfield Job Training grant.

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Victoria Robinson: Thank you, Patricia.

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Next question from Maritza Alvarez.

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Are brownfields restricted to land or  
can they also include bodies of waters

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such as urban rivers that run through  
heavily industrialized communities

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00:34:45,792 --> 00:34:50,560

with runoff impacting  
BIPOC communities?

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00:34:51,280 --> 00:34:53,132

Elyse Sutkus: Thanks for the question.

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00:34:53,156 --> 00:34:58,067

So our grants are specifically  
for brownfield properties or sites

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00:34:58,091 --> 00:35:01,280

that need assessment and cleanup.

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00:35:01,280 --> 00:35:06,640

I know we have had situations  
where if there is a river

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00:35:06,640 --> 00:35:12,335

that runs through a brownfield property and  
the community is interested in daylighting

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00:35:12,359 --> 00:35:17,417

that river or stream, there can be,  
additional investigation into that.

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00:35:17,441 --> 00:35:23,384

But the funding really does  
center around brownfield properties

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00:35:23,408 --> 00:35:27,839

that are land  
not bodies of water.

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00:35:29,359 --> 00:35:30,880

Victoria Robinson: Thank you.

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00:35:30,880 --> 00:35:32,622

Next questions.

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00:35:32,646 --> 00:35:40,880

From-- is our tribal funds just for  
the federally recognized tribes?

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00:35:42,640 --> 00:35:48,320

Elyse Sutkus: It looks like my colleague  
is typing a response to that question.

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00:35:49,040 --> 00:35:50,320

Victoria Robinson: Okay.

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00:35:50,320 --> 00:35:52,560

Thank you.

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00:35:52,560 --> 00:35:53,571

Next question.

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00:35:53,595 --> 00:35:56,215

Does EPA measure the life cycle cost

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00:35:56,239 --> 00:36:01,958

with EJ considerations of where the  
cleaned up waste ends up cradle to grave,

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00:36:01,982 --> 00:36:06,741

should we measure the impacts to ensure  
the waste removed from a contaminated site

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00:36:06,765 --> 00:36:10,319

isn't taken to a TSDF/approved facility

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00:36:10,343 --> 00:36:13,133

that may impact a  
disenfranchised community,

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00:36:13,157 --> 00:36:17,440

are there resources that can help?

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00:36:18,480 --> 00:36:20,611

Patricia Overmeyer: This is Patricia.

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00:36:20,635 --> 00:36:22,339

Our program does not  
measure this.

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00:36:22,363 --> 00:36:27,268

The brownfields program does not  
measure the life cycle cost of waste

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00:36:27,292 --> 00:36:32,560

that's removed from brownfields  
even if our funding is used to remove it,

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00:36:32,560 --> 00:36:39,853

however, someone in the Resource  
Conservation and Recovery Act Office

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00:36:39,877 --> 00:36:43,058

at EPA may have  
more information,

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00:36:43,082 --> 00:36:49,359

but this is beyond  
our area of expertise.

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00:36:50,000 --> 00:36:52,000

Victoria Robinson: All right, thank you.

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00:36:52,000 --> 00:36:54,960

Next question from Amelina.

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00:36:54,960 --> 00:37:00,401

What tools and specific criteria are you  
using to identify disadvantaged communities?

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00:37:00,425 --> 00:37:04,587



how close to a brownfield site does a disadvantaged community need to be,

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00:37:04,611 --> 00:37:09,839

in order for the site to be covered by Justice40.

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00:37:10,480 --> 00:37:13,646

Elyse Sutkus: I'm not sure.

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00:37:13,670 --> 00:37:17,120

Oh Patricia, did you want to respond to that?

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00:37:17,220 --> 00:37:18,858

Patricia Overmeyer: I'll try, I'll give it a try.

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00:37:18,882 --> 00:37:24,249

So the question is nothing-- basically how close to the community

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00:37:24,373 --> 00:37:28,712

or basically when you apply for a  
ground field-- a brownfields grant,

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00:37:28,736 --> 00:37:35,828

you can either apply for community-wide  
assessment grant, a site-specific assessment grant

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00:37:35,852 --> 00:37:39,760

and then for cleanup grants you  
apply for sites specific.

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So generally, we don't have  
any criteria with regard

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00:37:43,736 --> 00:37:49,990

to how close the brownfield site  
has to be to any particular population,

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00:37:50,014 --> 00:37:56,241

but we do expect our applicants to  
provide information about the community

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00:37:56,265 --> 00:38:04,568

that's going to usurp the benefits of  
either assessing or cleaning up that property.

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00:38:04,592 --> 00:38:08,720

So we don't put a distance  
on it if it's right next door,

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00:38:08,720 --> 00:38:12,308

if it's, what we--  
it's a couple blocks or a mile away,

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00:38:12,332 --> 00:38:18,879

but we do want the applicant to explain to  
us that during the-- if the site is assessed

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00:38:18,903 --> 00:38:20,963

and or cleaned  
up with our funds,

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00:38:20,987 --> 00:38:26,055

we want to know who's going to benefit  
from that cleanup or that assessment

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00:38:26,079 --> 00:38:35,488

and we do expect an award a  
greater point for those applicants

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00:38:35,512 --> 00:38:42,720

that can show that disadvantaged  
or economically challenged,

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00:38:42,720 --> 00:38:46,668

communities are in fact the  
beneficiaries of the brownfields grant

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00:38:46,692 --> 00:38:51,520

and the project that's  
going to be funded.

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00:38:51,680 --> 00:38:52,100

Victoria Robinson: Thank you.

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00:38:52,124 --> 00:38:54,846

We're going to do the  
next three questions,

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00:38:54,870 --> 00:38:57,920

and then-- that does not  
mean necessary that the fourth

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00:38:57,920 --> 00:38:59,678

or future questions are not going  
to be answered,

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00:38:59,702 --> 00:39:04,800

we're going to move on to these  
engagement questions in just a moment,

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00:39:04,800 --> 00:39:07,599

we'll answer the next three.

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00:39:07,599 --> 00:39:09,200

Maureen Goulet.

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00:39:09,200 --> 00:39:11,680

I'm hoping I'm  
pronouncing that correctly.

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00:39:11,680 --> 00:39:18,255

Says that you mentioned that ARP is looking  
to remove barriers to brownfields reeves,

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00:39:18,279 --> 00:39:21,200

can you elaborate?

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00:39:21,200 --> 00:39:23,228

Elyse Sutkus: I can  
start out answering that,

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00:39:23,252 --> 00:39:29,897

so as I mentioned the program has put the  
ARP funding towards our technical assistance

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00:39:29,921 --> 00:39:32,000

to brownfields providers.

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00:39:32,000 --> 00:39:35,108

And those providers are free  
and available for any communities

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00:39:35,132 --> 00:39:38,951

that have brownfields so there is the goal

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00:39:38,975 --> 00:39:44,445

that these providers are there to  
help any disadvantaged communities

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00:39:44,469 --> 00:39:48,674

that have challenges with brownfields,  
it's free and available for them

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00:39:48,698 --> 00:39:52,079

to reach out to  
these providers for assistance

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00:39:52,079 --> 00:39:56,880

with understanding the process or  
understanding the application process,

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00:39:56,880 --> 00:40:01,599

or other resources that  
might be available for them.

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So the goal is that this funding is  
there to help anyone, not just successful

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00:40:08,000 --> 00:40:11,839

applicants for our grant.

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00:40:12,640 --> 00:40:14,319

Victoria Robinson: Thank you, Elyse.

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00:40:14,319 --> 00:40:19,426

Next question from David Brewster.

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00:40:19,450 --> 00:40:26,960

Is EPA tracking House Resolution 4427  
entitled Brownfields Redevelopment Tax

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00:40:26,960 --> 00:40:30,319

Incentive Reauthorization Act of 2021?

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00:40:30,319 --> 00:40:35,654

While it's not a direct funding source from EPA,  
it is an incentive program for private cleanup



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00:40:35,678 --> 00:40:37,819

and development of brownfields.

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00:40:37,843 --> 00:40:44,560

If EPA is tracking this bill, is there any information or update that you can provide?

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00:40:44,560 --> 00:40:47,647

Patricia Overmeyer: This is Patricia.

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00:40:47,671 --> 00:40:54,720

We are tracking it somewhat, I don't think the bill has a lot of co-sponsors yet,

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00:40:54,720 --> 00:40:58,560

but for those of you who aren't familiar with the bill,

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several years ago, there was a federal brownfields tax incentive

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that was in place that was basically

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00:41:07,935 --> 00:41:13,148

a form of accelerated

depreciation for those companies,

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00:41:13,172 --> 00:41:16,000

who were cleaning

up brownfields

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00:41:16,000 --> 00:41:23,707

that basically rather than depreciate the cost

of a cleanup over the life cycle of the equipment

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00:41:23,731 --> 00:41:30,106

and the cleanup, the tax

incentive allowed all those costs

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00:41:30,130 --> 00:41:36,527

to be used as a accelerated--

as depreciation in the year

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00:41:36,551 --> 00:41:39,736

that the cleanup was conducted.

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00:41:39,760 --> 00:41:44,440

The the tax credit-- tax  
incentive I should say,

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00:41:44,464 --> 00:41:50,483

The tax incentive sunset I think  
somewhere around 2011 or 2012,

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00:41:50,607 --> 00:41:54,400

it has not come back yet.

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00:41:54,400 --> 00:41:58,828

It usually it used to be part of the what  
they used to call the extenders package,

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00:41:58,852 --> 00:42:06,249

which was a grouping of tax incentives  
that are passed every couple of years

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00:42:06,273 --> 00:42:08,194

by congress as a package.

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00:42:08,517 --> 00:42:11,090

It got taken out  
of that package,

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00:42:11,114 --> 00:42:18,214

and since it's had some struggles with  
getting enough sponsors in congress.

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00:42:18,238 --> 00:42:23,981

So right now, I think  
there is a limited try,

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or a limited push within the  
house to put this back in place,

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but as of yet, I don't think it has  
enough sponsors to really get back into

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that extends package or to  
make it to the-- through the committee

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00:42:39,592 --> 00:42:43,218

and to the floor on its own.

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00:42:43,242 --> 00:42:45,520

Victoria Robinson: Thank you, Patricia.

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00:42:45,520 --> 00:42:48,741

Question from Jacques Werle.

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00:42:48,765 --> 00:42:55,920

How do you first identify or  
designate a brownfield site?

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00:42:56,839 --> 00:43:01,528

Elyse Sutkus: So a brownfield  
site is really a property

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00:43:01,552 --> 00:43:05,376

that is contaminated or  
potentially is contaminated.

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00:43:05,400 --> 00:43:10,240

So it could be a site that is  
just suspected of contamination.

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And, these sites can include  
some something like a closed dry cleaner

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or auto body shop,  
abandoned gas stations, etc.

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00:43:20,160 --> 00:43:22,828

So I'm not sure.

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00:43:22,852 --> 00:43:27,111

Patricia if you want to talk a little bit more  
about all appropriate inquiries at any point,

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but part of our program is providing funding  
for communities to assess these sites

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that are suspected of contamination.

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00:43:36,400 --> 00:43:41,839

And that's the main purpose  
of our assessment grant.

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00:43:43,839 --> 00:43:45,988

Patricia Overmeyer: Yeah, this is Patricia.

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00:43:46,012 --> 00:43:50,444

Basically, any real property  
can really be a brownfield site.

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00:43:50,468 --> 00:43:54,828

There are some-- there are some  
sites that we consider not brownfields,

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00:43:54,852 --> 00:44:00,455

but basically if a property looks bad  
or it seems like either it's contaminated

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00:44:00,479 --> 00:44:04,557

or it's perceived to be contaminated,  
that site could be a brownfield site

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00:44:04,581 --> 00:44:09,520

we do exclude very limited  
numbers of sites from brownfield sites,

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00:44:09,520 --> 00:44:13,847

and we exclude them basically just because  
they're not-- they don't qualify for our funding.

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00:44:13,871 --> 00:44:17,287

And there's sites that are excluded  
what we exclude from the definition

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00:44:17,311 --> 00:44:20,687

of brownfield, it's basically  
any site that's a Superfund site

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00:44:20,711 --> 00:44:23,359

that basically gets on  
the national priorities list



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00:44:23,359 --> 00:44:28,784

because that funding needs to come from  
the polluters and or from the Superfund.

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And we also exclude  
federal facilities,

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00:44:30,993 --> 00:44:35,280

because federal facilities are  
owned by the federal government,

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some branch of the military or DOE or  
some other part of the federal government,

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00:44:40,390 --> 00:44:43,325

and so those entities are  
responsible for the cleanup,

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00:44:43,349 --> 00:44:47,328

so we don't include them in brownfields,

the definition of brownfield site

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00:44:47,352 --> 00:44:52,480

and we don't provide funding for them

and then there are other certain sites--

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some sites under the Resource

Conservation and Recovery Act.

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00:44:55,792 --> 00:45:04,188

And a couple of a very minor number of

sites in the underground storage bank program

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00:45:04,212 --> 00:45:08,400

if they're already-- if underground storage tank

sites are leaking on the restoration states

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00:45:08,400 --> 00:45:14,668

are being funded with the less

trust fund then we don't include them.

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00:45:15,680 --> 00:45:19,348

Congress made the definition of a  
brownfield site very broad

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00:45:19,372 --> 00:45:24,879

so that communities could make  
use of our funds could apply for

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00:45:24,903 --> 00:45:31,119

and make use of our funds, so we're very careful  
about not restricting sites from the definition

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00:45:31,119 --> 00:45:38,160

as long as they don't fall within those  
very few excluded categories.

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00:45:38,560 --> 00:45:41,148

Victoria Robinson: Thank you  
very much Patricia and this question

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00:45:41,172 --> 00:45:44,079

here I'm going to direct to  
Matthew and Charles

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00:45:44,079 --> 00:45:49,676

and while we're answering that question then  
we'll be moving to the next set of questions

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00:45:49,700 --> 00:45:55,128

and we'll give instructions on how we're  
handling that session of that conversation--

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00:45:55,152 --> 00:45:59,511

So Matthew and Charles, the  
question is from Melinda Bouquet.

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00:45:59,535 --> 00:46:08,240

Are their criteria to define disadvantage, i.e  
below median income or other such criteria?

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00:46:08,960 --> 00:46:11,348

Matthew Tejada: Yeah, so  
there's a little bit of language

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00:46:11,372 --> 00:46:15,252

and I haven't read it in a couple months,  
it's sitting on my shelf right over there.

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00:46:15,276 --> 00:46:21,119

There's a little bit of language though  
in the actual Executive Order 14008

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00:46:21,119 --> 00:46:28,738

on what disadvantaged means  
but the big piece of that

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00:46:28,762 --> 00:46:33,599

is that CEQ, the Council on  
Environmental Quality at the White House,

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as well as the Office of Management Budget  
which is another part of the White House,

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00:46:39,200 --> 00:46:46,108

they are in charge of producing a tool, a  
new tool, a climate and environmental justice

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00:46:46,132 --> 00:46:50,640

and a climate and economic  
justice screening tool-- excuse me

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00:46:50,640 --> 00:46:57,440

and that tool-- I guess its primary  
purpose, maybe its sole purpose

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00:46:57,440 --> 00:47:02,400

is to delineate what is a  
disadvantaged community.

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00:47:02,400 --> 00:47:06,208

So that is being worked on at a  
very high level over at the White House

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00:47:06,232 --> 00:47:12,720

and we, like a lot of folks  
in the public, are very curious

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00:47:12,720 --> 00:47:16,730

to see what that tool contains  
once it is released to the public,

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it has not been released yet, we have

not reviewed a version of it or anything,

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00:47:23,200 --> 00:47:26,800

so we are curious about that.

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00:47:26,800 --> 00:47:32,474

I think it will contain, it will likely  
contain a lot of different information,

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00:47:32,498 --> 00:47:36,960

obviously climate and  
economics are in its title,

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00:47:36,960 --> 00:47:43,920

I would imagine it would also contain  
demographic information, income information,

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00:47:43,920 --> 00:47:49,598

maybe some other environmental or health  
or housing data sets, we'll see,

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00:47:49,622 --> 00:47:52,720

that's all being handled

over the White House

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00:47:52,720 --> 00:47:57,828

and that will determine for the  
long-term implementation of Justice40

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00:47:57,852 --> 00:48:05,559

exactly which communities across the United  
States are designated as disadvantaged.

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00:48:06,319 --> 00:48:08,108

Victoria Robinson: Thank you very much, Matt.

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00:48:08,132 --> 00:48:10,988

As we move to the  
next section of the call,

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00:48:11,012 --> 00:48:16,000

it's the listening session  
and dialogue which will be--

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00:48:16,000 --> 00:48:20,975

have several questions that the brownfields



program would like to get feedback on from you.

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00:48:20,999 --> 00:48:26,160

To participate, so we're asking you to provide any comments or questions in the Q&A pod,

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00:48:26,160 --> 00:48:30,079

please go ahead and put those in there like some of you've already been doing.

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00:48:30,079 --> 00:48:35,119

When prompted, we're going to ask you right now go ahead and raise your hand

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00:48:36,319 --> 00:48:38,927

to indicate that you would like to ask a question.

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00:48:38,951 --> 00:48:42,564

If you're using a phone, press \*9 to raise your hand

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00:48:42,588 --> 00:48:46,053

and then when we will see that  
when it's your turn to ask a question

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00:48:46,077 --> 00:48:49,037

we'll call you out and give you  
the last call out the last three digits

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00:48:49,061 --> 00:48:52,348

of your phone number and ask  
you to unmute your line at that time.

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00:48:52,372 --> 00:48:55,528

And once again, please limit your  
questions or comments to one minute

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00:48:55,552 --> 00:48:58,327

to allow as many people  
to ask questions as possible.

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00:48:58,351 --> 00:49:03,408

So I'm going to turn it now back to  
Elyse for her to start with her questions

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00:49:03,432 --> 00:49:07,280

that she would like to get feedback on.

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00:49:07,760 --> 00:49:09,440

Elyse Sutkus: Thank you, Victoria.

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00:49:09,440 --> 00:49:14,188

So on this first slide we just have more of a couple icebreaker questions.

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00:49:14,212 --> 00:49:19,017

So we're just looking to hear from any of you about a response to these.

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00:49:19,041 --> 00:49:21,448

Do you have brownfield sites in your community?

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00:49:21,472 --> 00:49:27,705

And are you aware of resources, in particular EPA resources for brownfields assessment,

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00:49:27,729 --> 00:49:31,839

cleanup, reuse, job training  
and technical assistance?

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00:49:31,839 --> 00:49:39,400

So please, as Victoria said feel free to  
respond in the chat or raise your hand.

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00:49:44,960 --> 00:49:49,440

Victoria Robinson: All right,  
we're gonna have Michelle Jackson.

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00:49:49,440 --> 00:49:53,040

You can go ahead and unmute your line.

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00:49:53,040 --> 00:49:58,528

Michelle Jackson: Yes, I'm aware  
of funding for brownfield cleanup

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00:49:58,552 --> 00:50:04,079

but it seems like it only goes  
to the bigger corporations.

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00:50:04,079 --> 00:50:12,400

So I don't know of any small ones, I live in the city of Detroit, I live on the east side of Detroit.

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00:50:12,400 --> 00:50:20,028

I do know FIAT did the expansion, they received some funding for brownfield

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and also a new project that's very big over here

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00:50:24,780 --> 00:50:30,609

where they just recently tore down the old Cadillac plant

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00:50:30,633 --> 00:50:33,146

that was by the city airport.

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00:50:33,170 --> 00:50:41,148

So money is out there but I don't see any-- I don't see any remnants in the smaller community

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00:50:41,172 --> 00:50:43,475

that's touching the  
smaller communities,

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00:50:43,499 --> 00:50:49,599

it's basically going to the  
bigger corporations, I'll say.

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00:50:52,800 --> 00:50:53,368

Thank you.

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00:50:53,392 --> 00:50:57,520

Victoria Robinson: Thank you very much.

Elyse Sutkus: Thank you, Michelle.

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00:51:00,079 --> 00:51:05,960

Victoria Robinson: Anybody else have a  
question or comment they want to add to that?

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00:51:11,440 --> 00:51:15,200

Okay, somebody asked if we could show the  
speakers instead of the slide.

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00:51:16,880 --> 00:51:23,680

That's going to be a little bit  
more difficult to be able to do both.

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00:51:23,680 --> 00:51:28,268

We would lose the questions  
for the time being.

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00:51:28,292 --> 00:51:32,319

So I'll leave it up to Elyse how  
she want to move forward on that.

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00:51:32,319 --> 00:51:37,160

Elyse Sutkus: Can you still  
see those speakers on the side?

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00:51:37,520 --> 00:51:40,249

Matthew Tejada: You should be  
able to change your view where you get

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00:51:40,273 --> 00:51:47,754

not little tiny speaker squares but  
actual bigger boxes next to the slide,

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00:51:47,778 --> 00:51:50,200

but yeah we--

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00:51:50,480 --> 00:51:54,968

We're trying as best we can to get  
folks the visuals that people want

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00:51:54,992 --> 00:52:01,336

but we're not experts and this is not a  
platform designed specifically for this purpose,

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00:52:01,360 --> 00:52:04,680

so we'll do the best we can.

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00:52:04,800 --> 00:52:07,359

Victoria Robinson: Thank you, Matt.

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00:52:08,880 --> 00:52:11,348

Any other have any questions?

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00:52:11,372 --> 00:52:14,887

Elyse Sutkan: There aren't any but any other  
attendees that want to comment on this,



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00:52:14,911 --> 00:52:18,532

we can move on to the  
next couple questions.

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00:52:18,556 --> 00:52:21,280

Victoria Robinson: Okay we'll do that now.

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00:52:21,920 --> 00:52:25,928

All right so this gets to  
a bit more of the heart

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00:52:25,952 --> 00:52:29,599

of what we're trying to get  
feedback on from you all.

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00:52:29,599 --> 00:52:34,241

So we'd like to ask what barriers or challenges  
do you see for disadvantaged communities

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00:52:34,265 --> 00:52:37,119

in accessing brownfield resources?

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00:52:37,119 --> 00:52:42,800

And are there any strategies that you'd recommend to help EPA raise awareness

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00:52:42,800 --> 00:52:49,599

and increase access to these resources, in particular in disadvantaged communities?

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00:52:56,240 --> 00:52:58,829

Victoria Robinson: If you want to go ahead and answer that live, go ahead.

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00:52:58,853 --> 00:53:06,720

Okay Maureen I will go ahead and Maureen Goulet-- you can go ahead unmute your line.

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00:53:10,079 --> 00:53:14,440

Are you able to unmute your line, Maureen?

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00:53:14,720 --> 00:53:18,800

Maureen Goulet: Hi, this is kind of in the same vein of the response in the previous question

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00:53:18,800 --> 00:53:24,712

and that the-- I think a lot of the folks  
who are working locally in municipalities

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00:53:24,736 --> 00:53:30,000

and communities are focused  
on economic redevelopment

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00:53:30,000 --> 00:53:35,148

and not necessarily on  
the community aspect of it

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00:53:35,172 --> 00:53:37,920

although that's an important part of it.

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00:53:37,920 --> 00:53:40,960

I just think that there's  
always a priority on

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00:53:40,960 --> 00:53:46,640

redeveloping properties that  
are now going to be on the tax roll.

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00:53:53,680 --> 00:53:58,880

Victoria Robinson: Thank you.

Elyse Sutkus: Thank you, Maureen.

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00:53:58,880 --> 00:54:02,528

Victoria Robinson: Now Vanessa

Gordon has written a comment that

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00:54:02,552 --> 00:54:07,839

challenges and barriers include

access to technology, language factors

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support from decision makers.

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00:54:14,960 --> 00:54:22,319

And she also adds use public

libraries as a means to communicate.

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I believe that's probably in

response to the digital divide concerns.

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Anybody else have any questions  
or comments to these two questions?

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00:54:44,079 --> 00:54:46,799

Susan Alsner.

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00:54:46,799 --> 00:54:51,480

You can go ahead and unmute your line.

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00:54:52,240 --> 00:54:55,617

Susan Alsner: Yeah I would like to make  
the suggestion that additional training

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00:54:55,641 --> 00:55:00,447

that could be offered would be capacity building  
for engaging with the digital tool building

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that's happening as part of Justice40.

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Community voices are really needed there but  
the conversations are often very technical

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00:55:08,559 --> 00:55:12,727

and it makes it hard for people to  
figure out where to plug in,

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00:55:12,751 --> 00:55:19,319

so open trainings for that  
would be incredibly valuable, thank you.

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00:55:20,079 --> 00:55:22,559

Elyse Sutkus: Thank you, Susan.

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00:55:22,559 --> 00:55:23,581

Matthew Tejada: Thanks, Susan.

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00:55:23,605 --> 00:55:29,760

Yeah I think across the board with Justice40,  
one of the things everyone has identified is

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there's a huge need for capacity

building not just for communities

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but for community partners

especially at the local level

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whether that be cities or municipalities or

academic institutions, even just local schools

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there's a huge

need for capacity building.

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So we're hopeful like I

know a lot of folks are hopeful

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that in the upcoming budget decisions that

are being cooked away up on the hill right now

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that there will be resources  
for a completely different reality

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00:56:06,852 --> 00:56:12,079

in terms of capacity building for  
communities and their local partners.

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00:56:12,079 --> 00:56:17,119

In the meantime and  
acknowledging things like

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00:56:17,119 --> 00:56:22,569

communities don't have the resources to apply  
for grants which Melinda put in the chat

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00:56:22,593 --> 00:56:26,805

or the question box or  
the persistence of a digital divide

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00:56:26,829 --> 00:56:30,799

and needing to get  
out to places like public libraries.

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These are great reminders suggestions

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even as we wait for hopefully new  
resources to come from the hill,

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these sorts of meetings and other  
things that we are trying to get out there

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as quickly as we can are our  
attempts to try to bridge some of those

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00:56:50,932 --> 00:56:56,400

or at least recognize and lift  
up these needs more broadly,

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not just for the brownfields chop  
but for everyone at EPA

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00:57:00,052 --> 00:57:04,928

whether they're involved in Justice40 or not  
and I really thank the brownfields program

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00:57:04,952 --> 00:57:09,668

for being one of the first ones to  
kind of charge into this space with us

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00:57:09,692 --> 00:57:13,920

and have these-- exactly  
the sort of open conversation

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00:57:13,920 --> 00:57:17,119

and to hear back from you all.

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00:57:17,760 --> 00:57:22,160

Patricia Overmeyer: Well, this is Patricia.

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I'm sorry I didn't realize I wasn't--  
didn't have my camera on.

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So yes there are several questions  
about-- several comments in the--

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that people have made about  
communities not having the capacity

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or not having availability of resources,

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please know that every  
community, every non-profit, all of you

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00:57:44,960 --> 00:57:49,248

can take advantage of our technical  
assistance to brownfields providers.

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We have several providers,  
we put the link to our website

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where you can get information on who is the provider in your region and your neighborhood

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but all of these technical assistance providers are paid for by EPA but available to you.

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So if you have questions about how you can apply for a brownfields grant,

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00:58:12,012 --> 00:58:14,488

if you need assistance applying for a brownfields grant,

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00:58:14,512 --> 00:58:17,928

if you have questions about brownfields in your community

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00:58:17,952 --> 00:58:22,720

whether the site is a brownfield, how to do an assessment, how to read an assessment

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00:58:22,720 --> 00:58:26,288

that was done by somebody else, these providers are available to you.

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00:58:26,312 --> 00:58:31,569

You can call them up and ask them these questions and you can get free technical assistance

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00:58:31,593 --> 00:58:32,546

from our providers.

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I really encourage people to make the best of these resources as they're available to you

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and if you go to their websites, you'll also see that they have--

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00:58:40,640 --> 00:58:45,904

they generally have lots of workshops and webinars available to help you get started

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00:58:45,928 --> 00:58:51,240

and thinking through your brownfield  
challenges in your communities.

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00:58:52,079 --> 00:58:54,079

Victoria Robinson: Thank you, Patricia.

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00:58:54,079 --> 00:58:59,599

We do have a question, I think it might  
be directed more toward Matthew again.

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00:58:59,599 --> 00:59:04,647

If Justice40 is not clearly  
defined, can other community issues

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00:59:04,671 --> 00:59:10,640

such as violence, crime and access to services  
like child care be included as factors

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00:59:10,640 --> 00:59:13,040

for sensitive populations?

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00:59:13,040 --> 00:59:15,920

Matthew Tejada: That's a great question.

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00:59:16,640 --> 00:59:21,236

To just remind one of the things-- I think so, I think those are great things

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00:59:21,260 --> 00:59:25,402

and when we start talking about the realities faced by communities

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with EJ concerns at EPA and looking at things like cumulative impacts,

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00:59:29,751 --> 00:59:32,993

those are definitely some of the things that we talk about

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and that we want to insert in the conversation to really fully appreciate

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00:59:37,520 --> 00:59:42,172

what the most overburdened and vulnerable  
communities deal with in their reality.

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00:59:42,196 --> 00:59:45,355

But it began to repeat  
one thing that I said earlier--

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we're not the ones going to make the  
decision on what actually goes into the tool

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00:59:50,319 --> 00:59:55,920

that defines which communities  
are or are not disadvantaged.

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And just from experience though, having  
run EJSCREEN for a very long time at EPA,

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one of the biggest--

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one of the biggest things  
when you're looking at things

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01:00:09,212 --> 01:00:14,960

like violence or crime  
or child care services

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one of the biggest hurdles we have is

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01:00:17,200 --> 01:00:23,280

"Okay, where's the data and how  
granular, how fine is that data"

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because for EJ we need it to be right  
down at the community level,

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01:00:26,805 --> 01:00:29,448

it can't be like "Well, there's  
20 of these in a county"

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01:00:29,472 --> 01:00:34,640

that doesn't help us, we need  
actual neighborhood scale data

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01:00:34,640 --> 01:00:37,486

but we need it to be available  
for the entire United States

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and that's one of the things that a lot of  
the data sets that we look at in EJSCREEN

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01:00:43,200 --> 01:00:48,192

it's really tough because we might have a data  
set that looks really good until you get out

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01:00:48,216 --> 01:00:52,559

into a rural population or  
until you look at Alaska,

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01:00:52,559 --> 01:00:54,963

and then the data just starts to  
disappear on you

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01:00:54,987 --> 01:00:59,520

and there's an inherent  
inequity in using data

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01:00:59,520 --> 01:01:04,107

that works really well for some communities  
but not very well for other communities

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01:01:04,131 --> 01:01:09,067

especially if we're looking at using that data  
for something like the allocation of resources.

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01:01:09,091 --> 01:01:12,474

We need data that's going to be fair

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01:01:12,498 --> 01:01:16,559

that's going to be equitable by  
the nature of the data

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01:01:16,559 --> 01:01:19,119

and sometimes things that folks think

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01:01:19,119 --> 01:01:22,347

we should obviously have  
access to at the federal government,

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01:01:22,371 --> 01:01:25,827

we actually don't, they  
might not exist in those ways

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01:01:25,851 --> 01:01:31,948

but again, for the purposes  
of the Justice40 definition

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01:01:31,972 --> 01:01:37,347

of disadvantaged community, those  
decisions are going to be made over

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01:01:37,371 --> 01:01:40,480

at the White House, not at EPA.

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01:01:40,480 --> 01:01:44,917

Patricia Overmeyer: Yeah, this is Patricia  
I would also add to remember that Justice40

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01:01:44,941 --> 01:01:48,887

isn't an EPA program and  
so to answer that question,

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01:01:48,911 --> 01:01:55,698

there are other-- Department of Justice, the  
Department of Education, Health and Human Services

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01:01:55,722 --> 01:01:59,588

and Housing and Urban Development,

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01:01:59,612 --> 01:02:02,667

all of these agencies and departments,  
Department of Transportation

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01:02:02,691 --> 01:02:05,812

are all part of Justice40  
and their grant programs

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01:02:05,836 --> 01:02:08,720

might cover some of the  
items that were mentioned

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01:02:08,720 --> 01:02:11,667

such as violence and  
child care and housing

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01:02:11,691 --> 01:02:18,468

may be included in Justice40 under  
other departments and agency programs

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01:02:18,492 --> 01:02:24,799

just maybe not be specifically  
touched by EPA grants.

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01:02:24,799 --> 01:02:28,588

Matthew Tejada: And I'm  
not sure Victoria, Megan Smith

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01:02:28,612 --> 01:02:33,744

is putting a lot of information in about a  
Justice40 open source data and tech community.

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01:02:33,768 --> 01:02:39,175

Can everyone see that? Can everyone see  
everyone else's questions or can just us see it?

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01:02:39,199 --> 01:02:42,720

Victoria Robinson: I just made it  
answered live so she didn't see it

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01:02:42,720 --> 01:02:46,127

because I was gonna bring  
it up and then I could read it,

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01:02:46,151 --> 01:02:50,118

but yes I've now made it live so  
people can see Megan's suggestions

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01:02:50,142 --> 01:02:55,680

about the data--open data and tech community  
collaborative that's going on for Justice40.

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01:02:55,680 --> 01:02:58,960

Matthew Tejada: Thanks for  
that Megan, that's really great.

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01:02:58,960 --> 01:03:00,537

Victoria Robinson: All right, wonderful.

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01:03:00,561 --> 01:03:04,448

There was a question that the  
person said I would be curious

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01:03:04,472 --> 01:03:08,673

as to what the EPA is currently  
doing in terms of raising awareness

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01:03:08,697 --> 01:03:12,160

and increasing access to  
these grants and assistance.

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01:03:12,160 --> 01:03:16,710

Even thinking of the context of this call,  
I don't believe that the registration said

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01:03:16,734 --> 01:03:18,281

that would be focused on brownfields,

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01:03:18,305 --> 01:03:22,480

so how are we making sure  
the right people are engaged?

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Elyse Sutkus: I think I can answer that.

Matthew Tejada: There you go.

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01:03:30,079 --> 01:03:32,528

Elyse Sutkus: So I did want to mention and I'll mention later on too

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01:03:32,552 --> 01:03:35,907

we do have a brownfields listserv that folks can sign up for

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01:03:35,931 --> 01:03:42,108

to get updates on our program, our grant announcements, webinars, resources

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01:03:42,132 --> 01:03:43,760

that are available.

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EPA's regional brownfield offices also conduct outreach

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01:03:48,480 --> 01:03:53,520

for the states, tribes and territories  
that are covered by their regions,

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01:03:53,520 --> 01:03:57,119

so that outreach is going on as well.

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01:03:57,119 --> 01:04:03,359

Now let me just drop the link for our--  
I'm not sure the best way to share this.

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01:04:03,359 --> 01:04:07,680

I don't know if I can type answers in  
the Q&A but somebody else can share

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01:04:07,680 --> 01:04:09,359

that in the group.

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Victoria Robinson: Yeah.

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01:04:11,052 --> 01:04:14,568

Charles Lee: Can I also say that

I think this is a great question

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01:04:14,592 --> 01:04:20,848

and at least us to think more of  
long-term and more coordinated

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01:04:20,872 --> 01:04:23,839

in terms of doing this kind of outreach.

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01:04:23,839 --> 01:04:29,680

These sessions are just the  
first of sessions presenting

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information and beginning to  
engage around a particular program,

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but each of the programs  
are going to continue to do

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01:04:37,200 --> 01:04:43,039

their own outreach and engagement

as Elyse has suggested or indicated

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01:04:43,039 --> 01:04:46,559

in terms of the brownfield program.

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01:04:47,680 --> 01:04:50,240

Victoria Robinson: Thank you, Charles.

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01:04:50,240 --> 01:04:54,628

Elyse Sutkus: And I also did want to mention  
too that our office does coordinate with OEJ

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01:04:54,652 --> 01:04:58,240

so when things like grant  
guidelines are posted,

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01:04:58,240 --> 01:05:05,520

those go out on the EJ listserv  
as well to help folks be aware.

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01:05:06,079 --> 01:05:08,181

Victoria Robinson: Thank you, Elyse.

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01:05:08,205 --> 01:05:11,128

Bruce Mendelson, you've  
got your hand raised,

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01:05:11,152 --> 01:05:14,880

if you can go ahead and unmute your line.

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01:05:15,839 --> 01:05:17,817

Bruce Mendelson: Hi there, thank you.

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01:05:17,841 --> 01:05:23,488

I agree with the strategy for-- this is  
to the question of raising awareness.

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01:05:23,512 --> 01:05:27,548

So a colleague mentioned  
engaging your local libraries,

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yes and engage organizations and  
leaders in the targeted communities

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01:05:33,892 --> 01:05:36,339

with materials relevant to them.

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01:05:36,363 --> 01:05:42,207

So one of the things that we're doing to  
engage and recruit potential participants

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01:05:42,231 --> 01:05:46,348

in our environmental workforce  
development and job training grant

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01:05:46,372 --> 01:05:49,920

is translating flyers  
into multiple languages,

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01:05:49,920 --> 01:05:54,720

Spanish, Portuguese,  
Mandarin, Vietnamese, etc.

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01:05:54,720 --> 01:06:00,880

and engaging the leaders in those  
communities as credible sources.

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01:06:00,880 --> 01:06:02,539

Thank you.

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01:06:02,563 --> 01:06:04,563

Victoria Robinson: Thank you, Bruce.

Elyse Sutkus: Thank you, Bruce.

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01:06:09,119 --> 01:06:15,599

Victoria Robinson: Okay, Megan

is going to-- has her hand up

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01:06:16,960 --> 01:06:17,979

Go ahead, Megan.

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01:06:18,003 --> 01:06:21,627

Megan: My colleagues, it's great to be with everybody, thank you for this information.

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01:06:21,651 --> 01:06:24,960

I just wanted a little

bit more so people are aware--

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01:06:24,960 --> 01:06:27,680

one of the big challenges  
we have in our society

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01:06:27,704 --> 01:06:30,720

is we get in silos  
and a lot of the tech data colleagues

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01:06:30,720 --> 01:06:36,240

are in a separate silo from  
amazing long-standing EJ leaders.

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01:06:36,240 --> 01:06:39,728

Some EJ leaders are data scientists,  
some are community activists,

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01:06:39,752 --> 01:06:42,000

some are scientists,  
so many different things.

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01:06:42,000 --> 01:06:45,928

What we're trying to do with the open  
source group that OMB is hosting

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in the US Digital Service-- we did not  
create this group-- I'm from Region 7

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01:06:50,172 --> 01:06:54,720

but they opened it up, it's trying to make  
sure the tech native folks that are in there

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01:06:54,720 --> 01:06:57,370

are hearing from more  
EJ leaders and teammates

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01:06:57,394 --> 01:07:00,563

and it's much more of a  
cross-functional group.

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01:07:00,587 --> 01:07:04,848

And so the workshop on  
Monday, September 20th of which

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01:07:04,872 --> 01:07:06,000

I think there's three posts here--

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01:07:06,000 --> 01:07:08,965

if you make them live people  
can see all the links and emails.

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01:07:08,989 --> 01:07:12,488

Shelby Switzer at OMB, somebody  
you can email if you need it.

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01:07:12,512 --> 01:07:17,280

People are hoping to connect  
us better and begin that teamwork

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01:07:17,280 --> 01:07:21,487

because we have the internet now  
and so we want to use the internet

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01:07:21,511 --> 01:07:25,458

to be much more accelerated  
on our cross-functional teamwork

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01:07:25,482 --> 01:07:28,573

so we can move faster  
for a lot less money.

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01:07:28,597 --> 01:07:34,656

I'm using all the tools of the universe together  
with the help of the government colleagues.

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01:07:34,680 --> 01:07:35,920

Thanks.

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01:07:36,319 --> 01:07:38,960

Victoria Robinson: Thank you, Megan.

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01:07:39,200 --> 01:07:42,079

We have another person who wrote that

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01:07:42,079 --> 01:07:46,559

considering non-federally recognized  
indigenous communities do not qualify

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01:07:46,559 --> 01:07:51,665

for brownfields funding, would they be able  
to be recognized as disadvantaged communities

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01:07:51,689 --> 01:07:55,680

when they cannot have access  
to local traditional sites for ceremony

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01:07:55,680 --> 01:07:59,119

due to water contamination?

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01:08:00,640 --> 01:08:05,835

Matthew Tejada: Wow, can you let  
me-- I was listening to that, oh there it is.

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01:08:05,859 --> 01:08:10,319

Let me read it real quick  
to make sure I understand the point.

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01:08:10,319 --> 01:08:14,319

Indigenous communities do not qualify  
brownfields funding--

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01:08:14,319 --> 01:08:18,719

would they be able to be  
recognized as this and they could not--

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01:08:18,719 --> 01:08:22,805

Well, I believe and correct me  
Elyse and Patricia if I'm wrong,

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01:08:22,829 --> 01:08:27,469

even though if it's a non-federally  
recognized indigenous community

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01:08:27,493 --> 01:08:31,938

but if the community has established  
a community based organization

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01:08:31,962 --> 01:08:36,799

like a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit  
then they would still-- Patricia's nodding,

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01:08:36,799 --> 01:08:43,279

you would still be able to apply for  
brownfields program funding

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01:08:43,279 --> 01:08:47,443

and regardless of whether or not you are  
federally recognized or not

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01:08:47,467 --> 01:08:54,479

that's not going to be like a binary  
choice, I believe, for Justice40 overall,

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01:08:54,479 --> 01:08:57,186

Justice40 is going to look  
at a lot of different things.

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01:08:57,210 --> 01:09:01,230

And to the earlier question  
that an anonymous attendee

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01:09:01,254 --> 01:09:04,479

but if you look in the  
answers that we have posted,

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01:09:04,479 --> 01:09:07,431

the anonymous entered  
the question at 3 o'clock,

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01:09:07,455 --> 01:09:10,908

if you scroll to 3  
o'clock in the list of questions,

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01:09:10,932 --> 01:09:14,287

one of our colleagues

in OEJ, Rebecca Huff,

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01:09:14,311 --> 01:09:20,090

she sent me the citation in the

executive order for some of the language

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01:09:20,114 --> 01:09:23,976

about what should be

considered for disadvantageded

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01:09:24,000 --> 01:09:28,207

while we wait for this tool to come

out, so I've included that as well.

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01:09:28,231 --> 01:09:36,000

Those are some of the things that are

under consideration for disadvantageded.

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01:09:37,679 --> 01:09:40,000

Victoria Robinson: Thank you, Matt.

[CLEARING THROAT]

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01:09:41,198 --> 01:09:44,138

Next question, since I  
don't see any hands raised.

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01:09:44,162 --> 01:09:47,147

And hey folks on the phone  
remember you can press \*9

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01:09:47,171 --> 01:09:50,080

if you want to ask a question.

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01:09:50,080 --> 01:09:54,167

Maureen Goulet asks, are any chance  
there could be funds available to gather

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01:09:54,191 --> 01:09:56,910

that local level data?

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01:09:59,120 --> 01:10:02,649

Matthew Tejada: I mean there  
are different funds that are out there,



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01:10:02,673 --> 01:10:09,280

we are still in the process of scoring  
for our environmental justice grants

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that we competed earlier this year.

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Those would be--

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those are fairly general in terms of  
supporting communities to do things

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01:10:17,992 --> 01:10:22,640

like monitoring and sampling and  
organizing and education,

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01:10:22,640 --> 01:10:26,144

so those aren't open now  
but we're hopeful again

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01:10:26,168 --> 01:10:30,518

that we're going to get a lot more  
funding and potentially have those open

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01:10:30,542 --> 01:10:36,960

just as on a rolling basis not to have to  
compete them at a set time every year.

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01:10:38,239 --> 01:10:43,040

Elyse or Patricia, are there  
other means of support

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01:10:43,040 --> 01:10:48,960

through the brownfields program to do  
things like community monitoring or sampling?

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01:10:54,159 --> 01:10:56,067

Patricia Overmeyer: Well,  
the EPA brownfields program--

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01:10:56,091 --> 01:11:04,000

we do have a targeted assessment program,  
a brownfields targeted assessment program

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where each of our 10  
regional offices do have funds

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01:11:10,771 --> 01:11:15,094

where they can go out and do  
assessments for communities

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01:11:15,118 --> 01:11:17,968

who don't have the capacity  
to do it for themselves

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01:11:17,992 --> 01:11:22,888

and some of those funding sometimes  
can also be used a little bit of planning

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01:11:22,912 --> 01:11:25,008

around an assessment.

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01:11:25,032 --> 01:11:30,908

But so as far as the sampling or the  
assessment of brownfields in a community

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for a community doesn't have a  
capacity they could request assistance

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01:11:35,624 --> 01:11:42,080

through our regional offices and we can use  
our targeted brownfields assessment program

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01:11:42,080 --> 01:11:46,719

to address those concerns  
in their communities

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and also just  
general information

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01:11:50,800 --> 01:11:57,440

about health impacts and or  
the benefits of sampling could be

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01:11:57,440 --> 01:12:02,880

through our-- you can get additional

information through our targeted--

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01:12:02,880 --> 01:12:07,840

our tab program --targeted--

I can't think of the name

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01:12:09,440 --> 01:12:11,408

technical assistance

to brownfields program--

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01:12:11,432 --> 01:12:14,948

I'm sorry about, that our technical

assistance brownfields program

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01:12:14,972 --> 01:12:18,239

can help you with answer a

lot of those questions.

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01:12:18,239 --> 01:12:21,279

Now that being said, our technical

assistance for the brownfields program

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01:12:21,303 --> 01:12:29,600

they cannot go out and do sampling  
or generally collect data for us

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01:12:29,600 --> 01:12:37,840

but they can at least help communities  
collect their own data

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01:12:38,159 --> 01:12:42,880

and characterize their  
sites and their communities.

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01:12:43,840 --> 01:12:45,600

Victoria Robinson: Thank you, Patricia.

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01:12:46,719 --> 01:12:49,708

So Bruce followed up his  
comment earlier,

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01:12:49,732 --> 01:12:55,061

he wanted to add that to address your question  
about strategies for awareness building,

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01:12:55,085 --> 01:12:59,168

he says "Yes, please engage organizations  
and leaders in the targeted communities

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01:12:59,192 --> 01:13:07,280

with materials relevant to them such as flyers  
translated into Spanish, Portuguese, Mandarin, etc.

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01:13:08,080 --> 01:13:09,199

All right so--

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01:13:09,199 --> 01:13:10,711

Matthew Tejada: And  
on this one, Victoria

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01:13:10,735 --> 01:13:14,248

so we have somebody  
who is asking to be put in touch

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01:13:14,272 --> 01:13:19,546

with Region 7 EJ Coordinator and I  
guess they have not made the connection

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01:13:19,570 --> 01:13:27,520

but if you would email me  
directly Tejada.matthew@epa.gov

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01:13:27,520 --> 01:13:29,248

I'll make sure you get put in touch.

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01:13:29,272 --> 01:13:33,520

So it's just my name, you  
should see my name right here

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and just do lastname.firstname@epa.gov.

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01:13:40,239 --> 01:13:42,159

Victoria Robinson: Thank you, Matt.

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01:13:42,159 --> 01:13:45,199

Elyse we wanna move on  
to the next set of questions,

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Elyse Sutkus: Yes and this is  
our last set of questions here.



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01:13:48,400 --> 01:13:50,400

Victoria Robinson: Thank you.

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01:13:50,400 --> 01:13:51,440

All right go ahead.

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01:13:51,440 --> 01:13:53,040

Elyse Sutkus: All right.

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So obviously I've been talking about how  
the program empowers states communities

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and stakeholders to work  
together to prevent

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assess clean up and  
sustainably reuse brownfields.

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I talked a little bit earlier about how  
the direct benefit of brownfields grants

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include assessing sites,  
cleaning up sites training job,

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trainees in the job training  
program and placing those graduates.

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01:14:21,280 --> 01:14:27,348

And revitalizing and reusing sites also creates  
additional benefits throughout the community,

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so we'd like to hear from you all  
about what some of those benefits are

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that you see and  
experience in your community

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from the assessment cleanup and reuse of  
brownfields or from job training programs?

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And what are some ways that  
the program can help maximize

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those benefits in  
disadvantaged communities?

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01:14:53,679 --> 01:14:55,947

Victoria Robinson: Anybody have any questions?

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Feel free to raise your hand.

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Elyse or Patricia while we're waiting  
for somebody to raise their hand or ask

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01:15:12,560 --> 01:15:15,268

pose a question, is there  
anything you want to add to that

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about how you see those  
answers helping you to better move that

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01:15:22,320 --> 01:15:27,199

along the Justice40  
thing along for brownfields?

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01:15:33,679 --> 01:15:36,679

Elyse Sutkus: Let me see.

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Patricia Overmeyer: I think that Justice40  
is helping us to use the federal family

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and our internal resources to make  
us all more aware of the communities

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that we can serve and also  
helping us to share our results about

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how do we best collectively work  
together to identify the communities

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and identify the benefits that  
could be going to these communities

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such as the conversation  
that we're having today.

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We'll have additional conversations  
but I think looking toward

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sharing information across the federal

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government about the different  
communities and stakeholders

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01:16:30,004 --> 01:16:34,880

that we all serve, how we get to them,  
how we can share information and data

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and just the ability to reach out  
and do more and more communication

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particularly now in a time  
when we're on the pandemic.

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The brownfields program we're often out  
at lots of workshops and in the communities

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and lots of conferences that where  
we can talk to and engage with people

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01:16:55,952 --> 01:16:58,787

who are not getting all those  
opportunities right now.

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01:16:58,811 --> 01:17:04,605

So I think the more that we can work  
with each other, share our resources

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01:17:04,629 --> 01:17:07,710

and share our ability to talk with people--

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01:17:07,734 --> 01:17:10,988

I think Justice40 is going to give  
us more and more opportunities

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to understand our audiences,  
understand our stakeholders

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01:17:14,610 --> 01:17:17,905

and give us more  
opportunities to engage.

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01:17:17,929 --> 01:17:23,760

So I think that's one of the major  
benefits of the program might be.

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01:17:24,480 --> 01:17:27,280

Victoria Robinson: Thank you, Patricia.

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01:17:28,880 --> 01:17:34,080

We're not seeing any questions or  
hands raised at this moment.

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01:17:34,080 --> 01:17:40,239

Did you want to move  
on to the next slide?

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01:17:41,199 --> 01:17:47,088

Elyse Sutkus: Sure, yeah and if anybody thinks  
of something please feel free to raise your hand

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before we wrap up here

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but yeah, I can talk about our other future engagement opportunities on the next slide.

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So I just want to mention registration and other details for these events

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and other important updates are sent out on our brownfield listserv,

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so I definitely encourage you to visit our website and sign up

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if you're interested in staying up to date on the EPA's brownfield program

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and I'll make sure that that link is available when these slides go out.

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Victoria I can coordinate with you.

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Yeah, just in terms of upcoming opportunities  
after our Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund

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and Cleanup grant guidelines are released,

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about one or two weeks later, we'll have an  
outreach webinar to walk through those guidelines.

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We also have our TAB providers  
offering different workshops

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and roundtable discussions this fall.

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So one thing I did want to note, we have  
Kansas State University or KSU,

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our TAB provider is having  
an EJ webinar series.

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So that series will help assist  
communities in understanding more about EJ

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and how it may be  
impacting their community

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and there's three sessions that they  
have scheduled there

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and we'll be advertising  
that via our listserv.

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We also have the National Brownfield  
Training Conference coming up

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in Oklahoma city, Oklahoma in person,  
that's December 8th through 11th.

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And the day before the conference begins,  
we have the EJ Caucus also in Oklahoma city,

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and EJ stakeholders will have an opportunity to  
engage there and discuss issues and challenges

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and resources for brownfields to be used.

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01:19:36,560 --> 01:19:41,360

And also the ASTSWMO Mid-Year Meetings  
are coming up in October this year.

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01:19:41,360 --> 01:19:44,921

So please if you want to stay up to date  
about these and other events,

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01:19:44,945 --> 01:19:49,960

definitely sign up for  
our brownfields listserv.

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01:19:50,880 --> 01:19:51,811

Victoria Robinson:

Thank you very much.

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01:19:51,835 --> 01:19:53,679

Elyse Sutkus: And I

think that's it, thank you.

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01:19:53,679 --> 01:19:56,480

Victoria Robinson: Thank you, all right.

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01:19:57,520 --> 01:20:00,147

All right, you want  
to go ahead with this--

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01:20:00,171 --> 01:20:05,199

Matthew you want me to go ahead  
and read these points of contact?

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Matthew Tejada: You can do it.

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01:20:06,712 --> 01:20:07,600

Victoria Robinson: All right cool.

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Office of Environmental Justice here at  
EPA, we've got several people

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who are actively engaged in supporting  
the Justice40 effort here at the agency.

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As obvious Matthew Tejada, who's the  
Director of the office,

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he's also the Senior Staff Representative  
on the White House Interagency Council

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and he's one of our main  
points of contact for Justice40.

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Charles Lee and myself, we're the leads  
for Stakeholder Engagement

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and you can  
see our emails as well.

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Nicolette Fertakis, she is the lead  
for Justice40 overall in our office

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and Patrick Beckley also is the--

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supports Nicolette in that effort for  
Justice40 and the Interagency Council.

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And then again, these slides will be provided  
to everybody in the next couple of days

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and will be posted to our website

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01:20:59,652 --> 01:21:02,748

and I'll send-- to everybody  
that's provided an email address,

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01:21:02,772 --> 01:21:10,320

you'll get an email from me indicating that  
these things are now posted on the website.

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01:21:10,320 --> 01:21:13,679

We do want to mention there's some  
upcoming engagement opportunities

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in addition to what Elyse pointed  
out over the next few months

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for engagement around brownfields.

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We do have other engagement opportunities  
that relate to environmental justice.

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The first one is--starts  
tomorrow, there is as part of our

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environmental justice webinar series for  
tribes and indigenous peoples,

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there is a session on traditional  
knowledge, federal agencies considerations

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and it's a webinar on how some federal agencies are considering traditional knowledge

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and implementation of their missions and there's the link on this slide as well.

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In addition, on October 20th we will hold our open discussion with the public

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about using EJSCREEN as an opportunity to learn about EJSCREEN

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as well as to get any questions answered you have about how to use it

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and how to better use it and enhance your use in the work that you're doing.

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We also-- our office in Region 4  
has been doing a series of EJ workshops

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growing grassroots and building  
capacity for environmental justice work,

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these are on September 23rd.

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The fourth session out of five is focusing  
on building capacity for individuals

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and organizations working in underserved  
and disadvantaged communities.

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This session is specifically about  
accessing funding for communities

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and offer practical tips on successful  
grant writing and information

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about accessing  
community-based funding.

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You can learn about the series at  
our website-- again, the link is provided

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and I see that somebody would  
like the links put into the chat.

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These links will be in the document, the slide  
document that gets posted in a couple days

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01:23:06,091 --> 01:23:10,159

but we'll see about trying  
to get it into the chat as well.

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Last upcoming engagement opportunity,

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Fiscal 22-- there's the Brownfields

Job Training Grants,

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and this is a reminder that those

applications are due October 5th

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01:23:19,434 --> 01:23:22,400

Elyse has already given a lot

of information on that.

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01:23:24,719 --> 01:23:29,108

And David Brewster is asking whether

the EJSCREEN session for October 20th

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01:23:29,132 --> 01:23:32,800

is it for the current EJSCREEN

or the updated version.

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01:23:32,800 --> 01:23:35,600

Matthew can you answer that question?

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Matthew Tejada: It will be for whatever version is out there for folks to use when we do it.

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01:23:41,840 --> 01:23:44,320

Victoria Robinson: Thank you,  
thank you, Matt.

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01:23:44,320 --> 01:23:47,808

Matthew Tejada: We're working on a lot of different updates

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01:23:47,832 --> 01:23:52,588

and there's obviously a lot of things happening in the whole tool screening space.

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I just got an update yesterday from the state of Colorado--

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I don't know if they published it or what

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but they're getting ready to

launch a state-based one which is awesome.

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So that's part of our commitment just to make

sure we're out there as often as possible

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providing information and opportunities for

folks to engage with us and offer feedback.

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I don't think by that time we'll

have an update out for EJSCREEN,

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01:24:17,292 --> 01:24:21,040

so it should be the one

that's out there right now today.

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01:24:21,040 --> 01:24:28,080

But if somehow we managed to sneak an update out, then it'll be on that version.

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Victoria Robinson: All right, thank you, Matt.

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01:24:29,807 --> 01:24:32,159

You want to go ahead and--

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01:24:32,159 --> 01:24:38,668

you want to provide information on the sites for more information about Justice40

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01:24:38,692 --> 01:24:40,480

for those who would like some.

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01:24:40,480 --> 01:24:43,768

Matthew Tejada: Sure, yeah and just so folks are aware,

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01:24:43,792 --> 01:24:50,790



we have a couple of URLs up here, I know it's not  
always the easiest to look at a slide like this

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01:24:50,814 --> 01:24:52,933

and type in a URL but here they are,

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01:24:52,957 --> 01:24:56,880

or you should be able to

Google these things fairly easily.

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01:24:56,880 --> 01:24:59,120

So the interim implementation guidance

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01:24:59,120 --> 01:25:03,199

for Justice40 that's the overall

document that is directing

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01:25:03,199 --> 01:25:08,639

everything we're doing today on Justice40

including what we're actually doing right now,

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that is on a White House site.

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And then we have also put  
up for ease of locating them

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the recommendations from the White House  
Environmental Justice Advisory Council,

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the WHEJAC, they have already  
put out recommendations for Justice40,

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01:25:25,731 --> 01:25:28,868

so those are on an EPA website.

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So those are the  
addresses for those or again,

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01:25:33,440 --> 01:25:36,608

you could fairly simply Google either  
of those two things that are underlined

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01:25:36,632 --> 01:25:42,560

in some combination and you should be able  
to go right to either of those resources.

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01:25:42,560 --> 01:25:44,400

Victoria Robinson: All right, thank you, Matthew.

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01:25:44,400 --> 01:25:47,668

And then go out I'll let you go ahead  
and give the closing remarks.

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01:25:47,692 --> 01:25:51,567

Matthew Tejada: Sure, yeah so  
our next community engagement call

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01:25:51,591 --> 01:25:53,505

is going to be September 28th.

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01:25:53,529 --> 01:25:57,994

I don't know that we have  
as somebody said earlier,

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01:25:58,018 --> 01:26:03,055

getting out there information that today  
we were going to focus on brownfields.

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01:26:03,079 --> 01:26:07,188

I'm not sure if we know exactly which one  
we're going to focus on the September 28th

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01:26:07,212 --> 01:26:11,212

or what the content is going to be, as  
soon as we square that away though

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01:26:11,236 --> 01:26:14,880

we try to put that out  
either through our listserv

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01:26:14,880 --> 01:26:17,806

and there are instructions  
on the very bottom here

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01:26:17,830 --> 01:26:23,840

about how to sign up for the  
environmental justice listserv at EPA,

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01:26:23,840 --> 01:26:26,048

or not the very bottom,  
in the middle-- I'm sorry

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01:26:26,072 --> 01:26:31,520

and then also we have our Twitter  
handle specific to the EJ program at EPA,

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01:26:31,520 --> 01:26:37,280

it's @EPAEnvJustice, so  
whenever we have more information

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01:26:37,280 --> 01:26:43,920

about when these will occur or what topics  
we will potentially be covering in these

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01:26:43,920 --> 01:26:48,941

community engagement calls, we'll try to  
put that out for folks as early as we can.

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01:26:48,965 --> 01:26:52,729

Sometimes it's just a matter of not

getting squared away soon enough

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01:26:52,753 --> 01:26:59,280

but we're working as hard as we  
can to get that stuff planned ahead of time

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01:26:59,280 --> 01:27:03,108

and I apologize that I was not able  
to be on for the first half hour

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01:27:03,132 --> 01:27:07,840

I managed to double book  
myself for this meeting today.

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01:27:07,840 --> 01:27:10,880

So I think the update was  
already offered,

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01:27:10,880 --> 01:27:14,548

but we are coming  
into the home stretch

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01:27:14,572 --> 01:27:18,798

on the agency's next EPA  
multi-year strategic plan,

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01:27:18,822 --> 01:27:25,440

so that is the document that really directs  
what we do at EPA for the next several years.

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01:27:25,440 --> 01:27:29,587

And for the first time ever, a central  
goal of that strategic plan

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01:27:29,611 --> 01:27:36,568

will be environmental justice and civil rights,  
and the draft of that will be coming out

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01:27:36,592 --> 01:27:40,159

likely in October, early October hopefully

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01:27:40,159 --> 01:27:45,600

for about a six week engagement  
period with the public and feedback,

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01:27:45,600 --> 01:27:49,968

so we will likely be using this call,  
at least probably one or two of them

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01:27:49,992 --> 01:27:54,880

in October, early November to  
kind of go through what we have

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01:27:54,880 --> 01:28:01,280

in that draft strategic plan and start that  
feedback process with members of the public.

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So please look out for that and again as  
soon as we get those things framed up

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and for sure, we will put  
that information out for folks

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01:28:08,731 --> 01:28:12,828

so you know what to expect and which  
meetings you want to attend or not attend

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based upon your interest or if  
you want to share any of that

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01:28:16,639 --> 01:28:20,719

with other community  
colleagues or other stakeholders

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01:28:20,719 --> 01:28:22,808

to make sure that  
there's awareness.

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01:28:22,832 --> 01:28:26,828

We we do everything we can to  
try to put out tons of information

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01:28:26,852 --> 01:28:31,208

but we love it when our fellow travelers  
and community folks and other partners

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01:28:31,232 --> 01:28:36,159

help us broadcast the information  
that folks and communities need

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01:28:36,159 --> 01:28:39,813

to try to make sure that they are in  
the flow of what is going on

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01:28:39,837 --> 01:28:46,320

and have a chance to engage and  
lift up their own voices for us to hear.

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01:28:47,360 --> 01:28:49,280

And I think that's all we have for today.

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01:28:49,280 --> 01:28:51,688

Then Victoria, are we ending a little early?

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01:28:51,712 --> 01:28:56,465

Victoria Robinson: I think so, I do not  
see any other questions or comments,

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01:28:56,489 --> 01:29:00,960

no raised hands however  
we do have a question.

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01:29:00,960 --> 01:29:06,000

Did you give a ballpark time frame  
for the new EJSSCREEN?

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01:29:06,000 --> 01:29:08,880

Matthew Tejada: No, we  
don't, we really don't know yet.

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01:29:09,679 --> 01:29:12,087

We have some things  
that we've been cooking on

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01:29:12,111 --> 01:29:16,560

and they're coming  
up to being ready to go,

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01:29:16,560 --> 01:29:18,668

we don't know exactly when  
those are going to come out.

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01:29:18,692 --> 01:29:23,520

We're also thinking ahead for  
some updates over the winter,

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01:29:23,520 --> 01:29:29,228

so we're working hard on those and as soon as we have them completely nailed down

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01:29:29,252 --> 01:29:32,719

and have everyone comfortable with them, we'll be pushing them out

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01:29:32,719 --> 01:29:39,246

but it always takes a little longer than I hope and that I anticipate.

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01:29:39,270 --> 01:29:45,328

We've managed to get the timing down to shorter than it was 6, 7 years ago

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01:29:45,352 --> 01:29:51,199

for doing an update but we're not quite yet buttoned away completely yet.

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01:29:51,199 --> 01:29:53,440

Victoria Robinson: Matt, real quick question.

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01:29:53,440 --> 01:29:56,232

Are we talking about the new EJS SCREEN--

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01:29:56,256 --> 01:30:03,199

is it a combination of new data and or a  
new interface or changes to the interface?

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01:30:03,199 --> 01:30:07,920

We've been working on both  
and I don't think the new interface

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will be ready in the  
next couple of months,

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01:30:10,752 --> 01:30:17,040

I think we're probably going to look at  
early 2022 for that, calendar year 2022,

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01:30:17,920 --> 01:30:24,548

but we've-- I mean, we're working  
on a lot of stuff which is awesome

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01:30:24,572 --> 01:30:29,920

because this is the first time, the last  
six months are the first time that we've had

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basically any resources to actually  
build some of the stuff in EJSCEEN

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that people have been asking us for  
since it was first launched

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01:30:37,249 --> 01:30:42,560

and we have done-- we have built  
EJSCEEN and maintained EJSCEEN

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01:30:42,560 --> 01:30:50,159

on the stringiest of shoe strings  
in federal government perspective.

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01:30:50,159 --> 01:30:53,408

So we finally with this  
administration have some resources

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01:30:53,432 --> 01:30:58,080

and also just have the support to  
really do to EJSscreen the things

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01:30:58,080 --> 01:30:59,928

that people have asked us for.

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01:30:59,952 --> 01:31:04,239

So we're working on a number  
of those things and trust me,

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01:31:04,239 --> 01:31:08,808

we are just as if not more excited than  
anybody on planet earth to get newer

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01:31:08,832 --> 01:31:12,988

and better versions of EJSscreen out  
there, so we're working away on them

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01:31:13,012 --> 01:31:17,328

and as soon as we can, we're  
going to pop out any of the new stuff

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01:31:17,352 --> 01:31:21,760

whether it's new data or new  
layers or a new interface,

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01:31:21,760 --> 01:31:23,788

we have some mock-ups of the new  
interface already

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01:31:23,812 --> 01:31:27,048

and I think they answer-- if we  
can actually make them work,

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01:31:27,072 --> 01:31:30,347

I think they answer a lot of the  
things people have been asking us

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01:31:30,371 --> 01:31:36,239

for a long time and will make  
EJSCREEN much more-- much simpler,

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01:31:36,239 --> 01:31:41,280

much more kind of user friendly



and easy to use for novice users,

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01:31:41,280 --> 01:31:42,880

so we're excited to get them out there.

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01:31:42,880 --> 01:31:53,199

So again-- but any information on that, if you  
join that EPA EJ list, that middle email over there,

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01:31:53,199 --> 01:31:57,848

anytime we do anything on EJSCREEN we  
will send something out by that listserv

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01:31:57,872 --> 01:32:02,000

and also on our twitter  
account to make sure folks know.

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01:32:02,719 --> 01:32:04,880

Victoria Robinson: Thank you very much, Matt.

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01:32:04,880 --> 01:32:09,548

And not seeing any other questions I guess  
it's it will be time for the end of our call.

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01:32:09,572 --> 01:32:12,168

We do have another caller  
as we said on September 28th,

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01:32:12,192 --> 01:32:14,773

the same time at 2 PM Eastern.

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01:32:14,797 --> 01:32:19,586

We'll be sending out announcements  
via Twitter and our listserv

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01:32:19,610 --> 01:32:24,448

within the next week  
or maybe by the end of this week

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01:32:24,472 --> 01:32:28,076

with that information, what includes  
the registration and information

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01:32:28,100 --> 01:32:29,285

about what the subject matter is.

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01:32:29,309 --> 01:32:33,208

And thank you for that suggestion  
and reminder for us to make sure

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01:32:33,232 --> 01:32:37,199

we include the topic in  
those announcements, thank you.

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01:32:37,199 --> 01:32:40,913

Matthew Tejada: One more question came in,  
I'm not sure if it was a region or a state

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01:32:40,937 --> 01:32:49,267

but if folks out there are using EJSSCREEN,  
there is no reason to wait to use EJSSCREEN

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01:32:49,291 --> 01:32:57,807

to train on EJSSCREEN, to figure out how  
to use it in very firm program policy ways,

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01:32:57,831 --> 01:33:02,560

it's not like EJSSCREEN is going to  
come out as this completely different thing,

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01:33:02,560 --> 01:33:06,168

it'll be evolutions on  
what we have now,

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01:33:06,192 --> 01:33:09,600

so don't wait for  
new things to come out,

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01:33:09,600 --> 01:33:14,367

get people using it, get people trained  
on it, start wrapping your arms around it

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01:33:14,391 --> 01:33:19,953

it'll only make it that much easier when  
newer versions come out to assimilate that

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01:33:19,977 --> 01:33:24,560

into how and to folks  
understanding and use.

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01:33:26,880 --> 01:33:28,968

Okay and now I think we're done, Victoria.

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01:33:28,992 --> 01:33:30,456

Victoria Robinson: Yes I think we're done.

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01:33:30,480 --> 01:33:30,960

Matthew Tejada: Okay, thank you everybody.

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01:33:30,960 --> 01:33:32,960

Victoria Robinson: Forward to  
seeing everybody seeing folks

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01:33:32,960 --> 01:33:36,028

in the next week, in two weeks from today.

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01:33:36,052 --> 01:33:36,476

Thank you.

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Matthew Tejada: Thank you Sean, thank  
you, Nestor for interpreting again today,

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we appreciate y'all.

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01:33:42,560 --> 01:33:43,987

Victoria Robinson:

Indeed, thank you.

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01:33:44,011 --> 01:33:45,167

Matthew Tejada: All right, thanks everyone.

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01:33:45,191 --> 01:33:50,195

Hey great job Elyse and

Patricia that was great.

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01:33:50,219 --> 01:33:51,440

Patricia Overmeyer: Thank you.

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01:33:51,440 --> 01:33:53,520

Elyse Sutkus: Thanks everyone.

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01:33:53,520 --> 01:33:56,679

Thank you.