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Land Revitalization Initiative

Goals of the Land Revitalization Agenda

- ◆ Clean up our nation's contaminated land resources so that communities are able to safely return them to productive use
- ◆ Ensure that cleanups protect public health, welfare, and the environment; ensure that cleanups are consistent with future land use; communicate information about cleanups that may be relevant to reuse

Land Revitalization Agenda Objectives

- I. Integrate Land Reuse into Cleanup Programs
- II. Develop Partnerships to Further Land Reuse in Cleanup
- III. Instill a Culture of Land Reuse in our Organizations
- IV. Implement the New Brownfields Law

Land Revitalization Agenda Objectives – Integrate Land Reuse into Cleanup Programs

- ◆ Conduct reuse assessments in cleanup of contaminated properties
- ◆ Collect, maintain, and disseminate environmental information that facilitates reuse
- ◆ Review policies, guidance, and practices to make reuse considerations an integral part of EPA's cleanup programs
- ◆ Develop performance measures for reuse
- ◆ Establish a process to determine when a property is safe for reuse

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- ◆ Develop guidance on how to make portions of sites available for reuse (“parceling”)
- ◆ Develop and improve the use of technology to assess and clean up contamination
- ◆ Explore policies and practices for furthering land reuse in PRP-lead cleanups
- ◆ Address the liability concerns of parties involved in the sale and acquisition of property
- ◆ Coordinate grants affecting reuse across multiple federal cleanup programs to target area-wide clusters of properties

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Objectives – Develop Partnerships to Further Land Reuse in Cleanup

- ◆ Implement an urban river restoration initiative
- ◆ Create broad-based public/private partnerships for reuse
- ◆ Explore long-term land stewardship options
- ◆ Strengthen Federal, state, and tribal partnerships
- ◆ Ensure early and meaningful community involvement in cleanup and reuse assessment

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Objectives – Develop Partnerships to Further Land Reuse in Cleanup

- ◆ Partner with the Interagency Working Group on Environmental Justice to focus on minority and/or low income communities
- ◆ Partner with industry to recognize industry accomplishments in cleanup that foster reuse
- ◆ Integrate property cleanup with local “smart growth” land use planning and other initiatives

Land Revitalization Agenda Objectives – Instill a Culture of Land Reuse in our Organizations

- ◆ Empower the Regions to make cleanup decisions that protect human health and the environment and promote reuse as a priority
- ◆ Train EPA, state, tribal, and local government staff on reuse practices relevant to cleanup
- ◆ Recognize Federal, state, tribal, and local government reuse accomplishments

Land Revitalization – In Review

- ◆ Emphasis of land revitalization initiative is safely returning contaminated property to productive use
- ◆ Land Revitalization Agenda objectives will provide a variety of alternatives and means to facilitate reuse

Supporting Efforts Between One Cleanup Program and Land Revitalization

- ◆ EPA's One Cleanup program strives to bring consistent approaches to cleanup programs
- ◆ EPA's Land Revitalization Initiative identifies methods to facilitate productive reuse
- ◆ Programs are mutually supportive with common activities:
 - » Measure progress by tracking land made available through cleanup
 - » Focus on long-term stewardship and track institutional controls
 - » Conduct pilot projects to demonstrate coordination and consistency
 - » Utilize up-to-date technologies in site assessment and remediation activities

