Resources for Redeveloping Blighted Properties in the Rio Grande Valley
Thursday, June 27, 2024
South Texas Ecotourism Center, Laguna Vista

Agenda

9:00  Registration, Coffee
9:30  Welcome – House Representatives Janie Lopez, Ryan Guillen, and John Lujan
9:45  Brownfields 101 – What Are They and Why Redevelop Them?
     – Scott Nightingale, KSU Technical Assistance to Brownfields
10:15 Texas Railroad Commission Brownfields Program
      – Magdalena Taylor, RRC
10:45 Break
11:00 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Brownfields Program
      – Kristy Livingston, TCEQ
11:30 US Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Resources
      – Elizabeth Reyes, EPA Region 6 Brownfields Program
12:00 Lunch (provided on-site)
1:00  Texas Economic Development Resources
      – Mallory McCoy, Texas Economic Development & Tourism, Office of Governor Greg Abbott
1:45  Redevelopment Success Case Study – Using Available Resources
      – Orlando Campos, CEO, Harlingen Economic Development Corporation
2:15 Break
2:30 Cameron County – Tax Incentives and Tools for Redevelopment Success
      – Ramiro Aleman, Cameron County Economic Development Director
      – Daniela Sosa, BLDC/SBA 504 Loan Program Director
3:00  KSU TAB Resources and Assistance
      – Leslie Etzel and Scott Nightingale, KSU TAB
3:15 Q&A Session / Evaluation