

Virtual Workshop Agenda

U.S. EPA Brownfields Grant Writing Strategies

September 2nd & 3rd

Session 1

Wednesday, September 2nd, 2026 – 8:30AM to 12:15 PM CT

(Resources & more information is [here](#))

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- 8:30 AM** **Welcome and Introductions**
Roxanne Anderson, *KSU TAB Regional Director*; Jacob Fink, *IEPA Brownfields Program Administrator*
- 8:45 AM** **Overview of the EPA Multipurpose, Community Wide Assessment, Coalition Assessment, and Cleanup Grants and Anticipated FY27 Offerings**
Jacqueline Coreno, *U.S EPA Region 5 Brownfields Project Manager and Tribal Coordinator*
- 9:15 AM** **Panel Presentation – Grant Walk-Through and What to Do/What to Avoid when Preparing a Grant Application-Part 1: Sections 1 and 2 of the Grant Narrative**
Presenters:
Amy Yersavich, *KSU TAB Partner*; Roxanne Anderson, *KSU TAB Regional Director*
Other Panel Members: Jacob Fink, *IEPA Brownfields Program*; Rob Wilhelmi, *Site Readiness Coordinator - City of Rockford*; Chris Richmond, *Moving Pillsbury Forward*; Karla Love, *KSU TAB Partner*
- 10:25 AM** **Break**
- 10:40 AM** **Group Exercise: Part 1 Overview**
Amy Yersavich, *KSU TAB Partner*
- 10:45 AM** **Group Exercise: Part 1—Breakout Groups**
- 11:50 AM** **Report Out from Group Exercise –**
- 12:10 PM** **Discuss Group Exercise and Materials for Day 2, Evaluation, Final Q&A**
- 12:15 PM** **Adjourn**
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Session 2

Thursday, September 3rd, 2026 – 8:30AM to 12:30 PM CT

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- 8:30 AM** **Welcome and Introduction to Illinois Brownfields Program**
Roxanne Anderson, *KSU TAB Regional Director*; Jacob Fink, *IEPA Brownfields Program Administrator*
- 8:50 AM** **Illinois EPA's Site Remediation Program and Leaking Underground Storage Tank Program overview**
Jeron Schultz, *IEPA SRP Section Manager*; Rachel Ingram, *IEPA Leaking UST Section Manager*
- 9:20 AM** **Helpful Hints and Resources**
Beth Grigsby, *KSU TAB Assistant Director for Region 5*
- 9:45 AM** **Panel Presentation – Grant Walk-Through and What to Do/What to Avoid when Preparing a Grant Application-Part 2: Sections 3 and 4 of the Grant Narrative and Presenters:**
Roxanne Anderson, *KSU TAB Regional Director*; Amy Yersavich, *KSU TAB Partner*
Other Panel Members: Jacob Fink, *IEPA Brownfields Program*; Rob Wilhelmi, *Site Readiness Coordinator - City of Rockford*; Chris Richmond, *Moving Pillsbury Forward*; Karla Love, *KSU TAB Partner*
- 10:40 AM** **Break**
- 10:55 AM** **Writing a Strong Proposal - Tying it All Together**
Amy Yersavich, *KSU TAB Partner*
- 11:15 AM** **Group Exercise: Part 2 Overview**
Amy Yersavich, *KSU TAB Partner*
- 11:20 AM** **Group Exercise: Part 2 - Breakout Groups**
- 12:15 PM** **Report Out from Group Exercise**
- 12:30 PM** **Adjourn**
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