

Regional Conference Agenda

August 25–27, 2026

1201 Elm Street, Suite 500 Dallas, TX 75270

5th Floor Conference Room

Reminder:

Doors will Open to Attendees at 7:45 AM – 8:45 AM. Bring with you a Real ID this is Required as this is a Federal Building and will need to go through a Security Check-In.

Day 1 Agenda

Time	Session	Speaker/Notes
7:45 AM – 8:45 AM	Attendee Arrival	Real ID and Security Check In
9:00 AM – 9:05 AM	RA Introduction	Amber Howard
9:05 AM – 9:25 AM	Regional Administrator (RA)	Scott Mason
9:25 AM – 9:35 AM	Housekeeping	Althea Foster
9:35 AM	MC	Camisha Scott
9:35 AM – 9:55 AM	Getting to “YES!” How State UST Programs are Leveraging Brownfields Resources	Amber Howard
9:55 AM – 10:00 AM	Break	
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM	Your Brownfields Playbook	Mike Kennedy
10:15 AM – 11:15 AM	Brownfields Eligibility & Liability basics	Jake Piehl and Reza Sadeghzadeh
11:15 AM – 12:00 PM	Brownfields “Blight to Bright” Group Activity	Roxanne Welch
12:00 PM – 1:10 PM	Lunch	1.10 hrs.
1:10 PM	MC	Marsha Lay
1:10 PM – 1:30 PM	KSU TAB Services - Kansas State University	Scott Nightingale
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Cross-Program Funding Opportunities; Leveraging EPA’s Drinking Water and Clean Water State Revolving Fund for Brownfields Projects	Thomas Cooney
2:00 PM – 2:05 PM	Break	Tech. Set Up for ICF
2:05 PM	MC	Muneerah Williams

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2:05 PM – 2:35 PM	Technical Assistance - EPA Land Revitalization Program	Emily Blanton
2:35 PM – 3:05 PM	RLF TAB - Technical Assistance for Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund	Patricia Santa Cruz and Betsey Suchanic
3:05 PM – 3:20 PM	EPA Job Training Grant: Technical Assistance	Danielle Getsinger
3:20 PM – 3:50 PM	NMED: State and Tribal Collaborations	Savannah Richards
3:50 PM – 4:00 PM	Break	
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Breakout Session: By Your Perspective States	R6 DEQ and EPA PO Lead Talk

Day 2 Agenda

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7:45 AM – 8:45 AM	Attendee Arrival	Real ID and Security Check In
9:00 AM – 9:05 AM	Opening Remarks from Director – Land, Chemicals & Redevelopment Division (LCRD)	Eunice Varughese
9:05 AM – 9:10 AM	Acting Branch Manager LCRD	Angela Restivo
9:10 AM	MC	Roxanne Welch
9:10 AM – 9:45 AM	FY25 & FY26 Grantee Awards	Althea Foster
9:45 AM – 10:15 AM	Developing Your Pipeline	Rebecca Otte
10:15 AM – 10:45 AM	Quality Assurance Update	Kara Allen
10:45 AM – 11:15 AM	(TAG) Technical Assistance Grants	Aron Samwel
11:15 AM – 11:20 AM	Break	
11:20 AM – 12:20 PM	Procurement (and Subawards) Using Brownfields Grant Funding	Kelsey Binder
12:20 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch	1.10 hrs.

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1:30 PM	MC	Selena Cosma
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Managing BF Grants Tips, Tricks, and Tools	Madeline Dillner
2:00 PM – 2:20 PM	Railroad Commission of Texas: Expanding Community Outreach Through Direct Engagement	Andrea Pinon, Ph.D.
2:20 PM – 2:50 PM	New Orleans NSA: Embarkation... Conflagration...Rehabilitation	Kari Godchaux and Brian Gibbs
2:50 PM – 3:20 PM	Building a Brownfields Workforce in Northern New Mexico	Janet Kerly
3:20 PM – 3:30 PM	Break	
3:30 PM	MC	Mike Kennedy
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Brownfields to Reinvestment: Coordinating Partnerships, Resources, Timelines, and ACRES Success	Amanda Alewine
4:00 PM – 4:30 PM	MUSCOGEE CREEK NATION - Where History Meets Renewal	Kathryn Sunny
4:30 PM – 5:20 PM	States Only Session (5th floor)	After Hours Talk
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Networking Event	Off Site Venue

Day 3 Agenda

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7:45 AM – 8:45 AM	Attendee Arrival	Real ID and Security Check In
9:00 AM	MC	Adrian Goettemoeller
9:00 AM – 9:10 AM	Opening Remarks from Deputy Director LCRD	Robert Snowbarger
9:10 AM – 9:40 AM	AI as a Force Multiplier in Brownfields Programs	Synthia Molina and Christina Hiegel

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9:40 AM – 10:10 AM	KICKAPOO TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA: BROWNFIELDS OUTLOOK: THE KTO EXPERIENCE	Rebekah Bussen
10:10 AM – 10:40 AM	Superfund Redevelopment Program and Brownfields	Casey Lockett
10:40 AM – 11:40 AM	Round Table Meeting With Your PO or Brownfields Team Member	Each PO will go to their own independent table to talk to entities. Discussion is round table
11:40 AM – 12:40 PM	Lunch	1 hour
12:40 PM – 1:40 PM	Tribal Only Break Out Floor 4	