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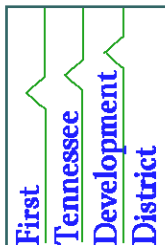


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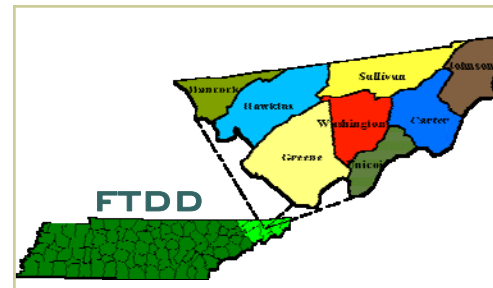
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Johnson City Site 1

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Mountain City Site

## **EPA Brownfields Program**

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to assess, clean up, and sustainably reuse Brownfield sites. A Brownfield site is a vacant or underutilized property which may be contaminated. EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants.

### **\$200,000 Assessment Grant**

EPA awarded First Tennessee Development District (FTDD) a Community-Wide Brownfield Petroleum Assessment Grant totaling \$200,000. The grant was awarded in September 2007 and has a term of three years. To date, assessment grant funds have been used to inventory and prioritize potential Brownfield properties; perform Phase I environmental site assessments (ESAs) on four candidate sites containing inactive petroleum underground storage tanks; and develop Phase II assessment work plans and associated cost estimates to evaluate the potential for petroleum or other hazardous constituents in soil and ground water at three candidate sites.



**Johnson City Site 2**

### **Phase I ESAs**

The FTDD Brownfield petroleum assessment grant has been used to conduct Phase I Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs) on four properties located in the eight-county northeast Tennessee region it serves. These properties were targeted for the FTDD Brownfield Program because they contain inactive petroleum underground storage tanks (USTs) and are considered to have high potential for Brownfield site cleanup and redevelopment.



**Elizabethton Site**

These properties include two former gas station sites in Johnson City; a former used car dealer lot in Mountain City; and a former convenience store in Elizabethton.

Work plans and cost estimates for proposed Phase II sampling for three target sites have been developed and are currently being reviewed by the

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation Division of



Underground Storage Tanks. EPA Region 4 will provide the final reviews and approvals of the proposed Phase II assessment work plans. The proposed site sampling activities are anticipated to be performed in Summer 2009.

### **Stay Informed**

The community can keep informed of FTDD's Brownfield Program activities on-line at [www.southeastbrownfields.com/ftdd](http://www.southeastbrownfields.com/ftdd).

**Prospective developers of potential Brownfield properties are urged to contact Ken Rea or Casey Mitchell of FTDD Economic & Community Development at 423-928-0224.**