

Superfund Redevelopment Pilots

Marina Cliffs Barrel Dump South Milwaukee, WI

EPA's Superfund Redevelopment Initiative (SRI) is a nationally coordinated effort to facilitate the return of Superfund sites to productive use by selecting response actions consistent with anticipated use. The SRI Pilots are intended to help local governments enhance their involvement in the Superfund decision-making process by assisting EPA in predicting future land uses for Superfund sites. Under the Pilot Program, EPA will provide up to \$100,000 in financial assistance and/or services to local governments for specified activities. Applicants are offered several types of program assistance, including funding through a cooperative agreement, access to facilitation services, and/or the availability of personnel under the Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA).

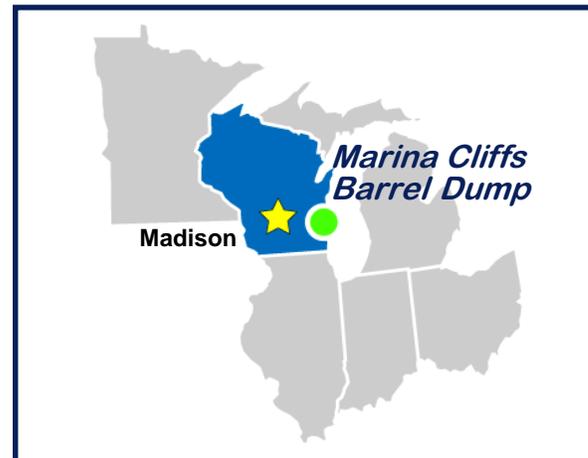
BACKGROUND

EPA selected the City of South Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for a Superfund Redevelopment Pilot. South Milwaukee is home to the Marina Cliffs Barrel Dump Superfund site, which is 13 acres of vacant land on the Lake Michigan shoreline. A barrel reconditioning facility operated on the property from the early 1940s until 1964. Residuals from the cleaning and refurbishing were dumped on the ground. There was extensive contamination of the soil with a variety of compounds, including polychlorinated biphenyls, lead, and chromium. The site is currently owned by Towne Realty and is zoned for single-family homes. Other possible uses for the land include public buildings, parks, playgrounds, apartments, and condominiums. The site is not on EPA's list of the worst hazardous waste sites, but the Agency is removing contaminated soil to make the site safe.

OBJECTIVES

South Milwaukee's project goal is to turn the Marina Cliffs land into a desirable piece of property for purchasers, developers, and the community. The city plans to use its Pilot funds to identify the optimal reuse for the site and develop a reuse plan by assessing current site conditions and clean-up objectives, determining the most probable development options, and gathering community input. The city will also train local officials and interested community members on cleanup and reuse. The funds will help South Milwaukee speed up the redevelopment process, gain community consensus on the final reuse option, and ensure that the reuse is compatible with the cleanup and the city's overall redevelopment plan.

PILOT SNAPSHOT



Applicant Name: South Milwaukee, WI

Site Name: Marina Cliffs Barrel Dump

Date of Selection: July 2000

Anticipated Award: Cooperative Agreement
(\$83,064)

Profile: South Milwaukee will evaluate potential options to turn the Marina Cliffs land into a desirable piece of property for purchasers, developers, and the community.

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