

Superfund Redevelopment Pilots

Tex Tin Corporation (OU #1)
Texas City, TX

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 Texas City, Texas, for a Superfund Redevelopment Pilot. Texas City is home to the Tex Tin Corporation Superfund site Operable Unit #1 (OU #1), which was used for tin smelting during World War II. After the war, several companies used the site to smelt tin, copper, and other materials. The site has many waste-handling and disposal areas contaminated with inorganic constituents and low level radionuclides. A minority community is located 2,000 feet from the site, and over 25,000 people live within three miles of it. EPA added the site to its list of hazardous waste sites needing cleanup in September 1998.

OBJECTIVES

Texas City plans to use Pilot funds to gather the views of the community on recycling, scrapping, or salvaging on-site materials rather than burying them in on-site landfills. The city also plans to seek comments from the community on reuse options for the site, and to work with EPA, the settling potentially responsible parties, and the engineering contractor on the cleanup design. Finally, the city will develop a site reuse assessment plan that will take into consideration specific reuse recommendations provided by prospective developers whose reuse plans have community endorsement.

PILOT SNAPSHOT



Applicant Name: Texas City, TX

Site Name: Tex Tin Corporation (OU #1)

Date of Selection: July 2000

Anticipated Award: Cooperative Agreement (\$100,000)

Profile: The city will gather community views on the recycling, scrapping, or salvaging of on-site materials, and with this information, create a reuse plan.

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