

OFFICE OF BROWNFIELD REMEDIATION AND DEVELOPMENT WHAT'S NEW IN ROUND 18? JULY 26, 2023

RG & RL Application Form Revisions*

- The Remediation Grant & Loan Application Forms have three sub-parts
 - o 0A. Main Application Form
 - o 0B. Budget & Return on Investment Table
 - o OC. Certification of Applicant
 - o Please make sure to submit all three forms
- The Budget/ROI Table template is now in a convenient excel format
- New requirement to submit site photos

DEEP Grant

- DECD has announced the availability of the <u>DEEP CERCLA 128 (a) grant (Round 1)</u> opportunity on behalf of the Dept. of Energy & Environmental Protection
- Please contact DEEP directly for questions (contact info provided in the NOFA)

Important Changes from Round 16/17 Carried Over to Round 18

Threshold Requirements

- The **Affordable Housing Policy** (effective from July 20, 2022)
 - Covers the grant and loan remediation programs
 - o All associated redevelopment projects proposing 10 or more units have to comply
 - o A portion of those units must be deed-restricted for 30 years

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- Additional questions relating to
 - o DECD Affordable Housing Policy compliance
 - o Community engagement and Environmental Justice
 - o Green energy, climate change, resiliency, and sustainability

New Scoring Criteria Added

- Commitment to Environmental Justice
- Renewable energy and clean Hydrogen production
 - o fuel cell installation
 - energy storage
- Climate change, resiliency, and sustainability
 - o Examples: Green building design and/or Resiliency features

Submission Time/Special Request

- Application submission time has changed from 3:00 PM to noon
- Submit request to DECD Staff for a SharePoint folder by **noon** on Wed, Sep 20, 2023

Remediation Grant/Loan Request Upper Limit

• Maximum grant request has been increased to \$4 million.

*Please note: The Assessment-Only Program application documents have not changed since Round 15.