

# **FISCAL YEAR 2009 PROJECT Waste Site Cleanup & Brownfields**

## **Brownfields**

Project Strategies: Help states develop effective strategies for improving the effectiveness of voluntary site cleanups and redevelopment of Brownfields sites, and increase understanding of methods to meet state program requirements of the new Brownfields legislation.

NEWMOA performs research and serves as a forum for information sharing and training on voluntary site cleanup issues of priority to the states. NEWMOA established a Brownfields Workgroup consisting of state and EPA representatives FY 2004 to oversee the Association's work. NEWMOA communicates with the Workgroup primarily via e-mail and conference calls. At the request of the member states, NEWMOA organizes states/EPA meetings to discuss Brownfields and voluntary site cleanup program implementation issues identified as state and/or EPA priorities. Since beginning in FY 2004, there have been six such meetings, with one held in FY 2008.

The main activity under this project is to address state training needs. NEWMOA works with the Brownfields Workgroup and others on the Waste Site Cleanup Steering Committee to determine high priority topics for multiple states. NEWMOA then identifies technical experts from throughout the country to deliver presentations, develops the agenda, determines the logistics, publicizes the training, handles registration, and runs each workshop. Generally, each one-day workshop is held in two locations in the region to maximize state staff attendance. Workshops are usually open to local, state, tribal, and federal regulators, as well as consultants and others. In FY 2008, regulators, consultants, and industry representatives attended from states as far away as Utah and Montana. Since beginning in FY 2004, NEWMOA has sponsored workshops on eight priority topics. Agendas and presentations from each event are available at: [www.newmoa.org/cleanup/workshops.cfm](http://www.newmoa.org/cleanup/workshops.cfm).

In FY 2009, NEWMOA will hold workshops on four priority topics: "Real-time Data Collection and Interpretation" (November 2008); "Greening Remediation – What Does it Mean?" (April 2009); "Vapor Intrusion – How to Determine if it is a Problem at Your Site" (co-sponsored with Brown University – June 2009); and "Recent Advances in Solidification and Stabilization Technologies" (September 2009).

NEWMOA maintains the waste site cleanup area of its website to provide information about the Association's various waste site cleanup-related activities.

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