

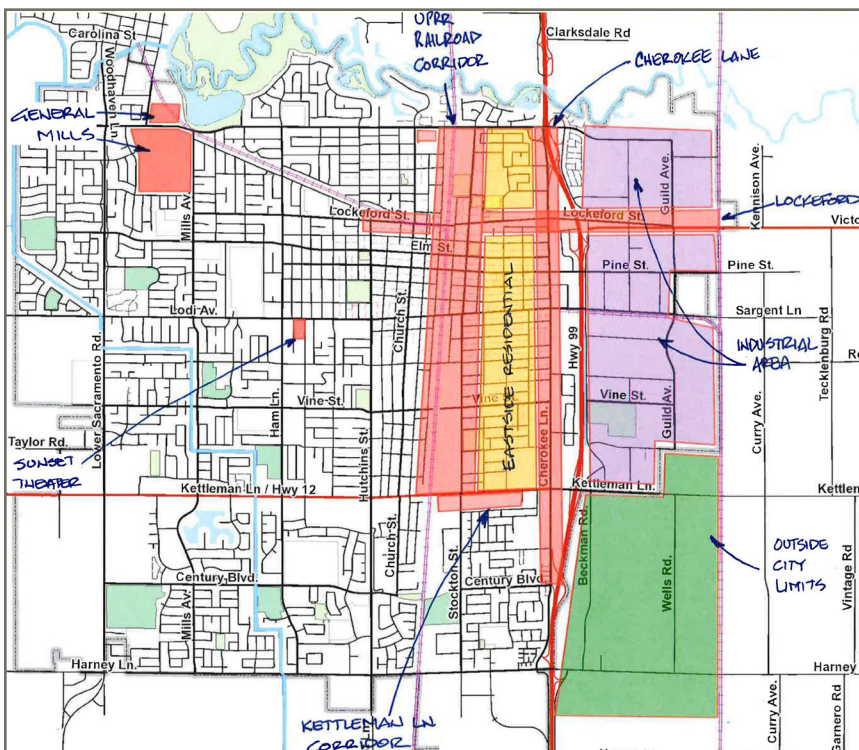
Site Reuse & Revitalization Program



Using \$400,000 of Brownfield Community-Wide Assessment Grants awarded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in 2015, the City of Lodi will support the revitalization and reuse of priority sites for the benefit of the community. The grants will fund Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs) and other cleanup/reuse activities at publicly and privately-owned properties over a three-year period (through September 2018).

The EPA defines brownfields as “real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant.”

Environmental impacts from historic agricultural, commercial and industrial activities have resulted in vacant and underutilized brownfield properties throughout the City. Under contract with the City, a consultant team led by Stantec will assess environmental liabilities and develop cleanup/reuse plans to catalyze redevelopment. The primary goals of the project include job creation, environmental restoration, and reduction in threats to public health. The project will be supported by the City's Brownfield Advisory Committee, which includes representatives from local neighborhood, business and environmental groups.



Grant Funded Activities

City-Wide Brownfield Inventory and Site Prioritization

The City will develop an inventory of potential brownfield sites. Sites will be prioritized based on criteria including eligibility, owner/developer interest, feasibility, and economic development and/or environmental restoration factors.

Phase I Environmental Site Assessments

Once properties have been prioritized for assessment, Phase I ESAs will be completed. Phase I ESAs include reviews of historical documents and regulatory databases to determine past usage and identify potential environmental concerns that may impact their reuse.

Phase II Environmental Site Assessments

Phase II ESAs include laboratory analysis of soil and groundwater samples to determine if contamination exists at levels which require cleanup. Hazardous building material surveys can also be completed.

Cleanup Planning

For sites with confirmed contamination cleanup planning may be necessary, including an analysis of cleanup options for anticipated redevelopment alternatives.

Area-Wide Planning

The City will also perform area-wide planning for brownfield impacted focus areas, which may include existing conditions assessments, market studies and community visioning exercises.

Activities Planned for 2016

- Brownfield Advisory Committee Meetings
- Conduct City-Wide Brownfield Inventory
- Complete initial Phase I & II ESAs
- Initiate Area-Wide Planning in Priority Focus Areas