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ADEQ Encourages Governments, Non-Profits to Apply for Brownfields Funding by end of Fiscal Year, June 30

PHOENIX (June 4, 2013) – The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality is encouraging cities, towns, counties, other governmental entities and non-profit groups around the state to submit applications and proposals for more than \$100,000 in brownfields funding by June 30, the end of the fiscal year.

Brownfields are properties in which redevelopment or reuse may be complicated by the real or perceived presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant or contaminant. Examples of brownfields include landfills or dump sites, abandoned facilities, dry cleaners, gas stations, land scarred by mining and auto repair shops.

The brownfields grant money will be used as technical assistance in assessing and cleaning up such properties to create new business opportunities, increase tax revenue and eliminate blight.

“Our brownfields funding can help revitalize communities and we strongly encourage those in need for such money to apply by June 30,” said ADEQ Director Henry Darwin.

To discuss eligible properties and projects, contact Linda Mariner of ADEQ at (602) 771-4294 or lph@azdeq.gov. For more information about ADEQ’s brownfields program: <http://www.azdeq.gov/envIRON/waste/cleanup/brownfields.html>.