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Upcoming events at the Brownfields Institute

Now in its third year, the Institute provides a forum for community stakeholders to develop a vision for the Parkhill Corridor that can then be used in a larger planning effort. Upcoming workshops are free and open to the public. You can help shape the rebirth of this once-vibrant industrial corridor. Contact us to learn how to get involved.

Kentucky Environmental Legislation Update:

ENER GY

A act to lower the minimum capital investment for certain renewable energy facilities: <u>HB 92/FN</u>

An act to produce a report and recommendations concerning the adoption of a renewable energy and energyefficiency portfolio standard and funding mechanisms for financing incentives for energy efficiency and renewable energy: <u>HB 299</u>

An act relating to net metering to add wind, biomass, hydro, and cogeneration to definition of "eligible electric generating facility" and to increase rated capacity; -require PSC to create a statewide interconnection and net metering standard: <u>HB 313</u>

An act to add wind, water, or other renewable energy sources to eligible sources of customer-generated electricity: SB 83

An act to create nonrefundable corporate, individual, and limited liability entity income tax credits of specified maximum limits for new and existing homes and not to exceed thirty percent of installed cost of purchase and construction: HB 149

CLEAN AIR

An act to establish a diesel engine conversion tax credit beginning after December 31, 2007: HB 214

An act to adopt the greenhouse gas motor vehicle emissions standards established in title 13, sec. 1961 of the California Code of Regulations: <u>HB 271</u>

CLEAN WATER

An act that requires the legislature to match up to fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) of the prior fiscal year's receipts into the "Kentucky Wetland and Stream Mitigation Fund," excluding any amounts matched in the prior fiscal year: <u>HB 215</u>

Our latest publication, <u>Green Conferences</u>, identifies commercial and governmental resources and mechanisms that can support the adoption and implementation of an environmentally sustainable meeting policy, helping to reduce the environmental footprint of conference events. Like all of the Center's <u>Practice Guides</u>, this publication is intended to provide urban and regional planners and policy makers with practical, useful tools and is straightforward, easy to apply in the real world, and understandable without any special training or education.

Welcome to the Center Newsletter! In this quarterly publication, we share the work being done by the Center and other community resources, and offer easy ways to access our publications and events. If you have feedback, please let us know at cepmlou@ouisville.edu.



The 12th National Brownfields Conference convenes May 5-7, 2008 at Cobo Center in Detroit. The conference includes a stellar educational program with expert speakers from a variety of fields. There is something for everyone with over 150 educational sessions and workshops on remediation, green redevelopment, financing, risk management, community and economic development, and public policy.

CEPM Goes Global!

Center Director Dr. Peter Meyer just returned from a Senior Fulbright trip to Bangladesh. Arriving at the same time as Cyclone Sidr, Dr. Meyer's experiences working with the faculty and students of the Urban and Rural Planning Discipline at Kulna University, as well as the local community, make for a fascinating story. Please click on the links to read more about Peter's trip and enjoy a slideshow of photos from both rural and urban Bangladesh.



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