

# MWT/Brownfields Breakout



Welcome to the DC!  
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Welcome & Reflections

# MWT/Brownfields Reflections

✓ **Brownfields 2003**

✓ **Six Activities**

✓ **Accomplishments & Annual Reports**

✓ **New Training – CDL, Ecological  
Restoration, Mold Remediation**

✓ **Partnerships or First Source Agreements**

**Brownfields2003**  
GROWING A GREENER AMERICA

Oregon Convention Center **Portland, Oregon** October 27-29, 2003

# MWT/Brownfields Topics

- **CERT**
- **Brownfields 2004**
- **Workforce  
Development Focus**
- **Upcoming  
Meetings/Workshops**



# CERT



## CERT Background Information

- CERT | DHS Community Emergency Response Team |
- <http://www.citizencorps.gov/programs/cert.shtml>  
<http://www.nih.gov/>

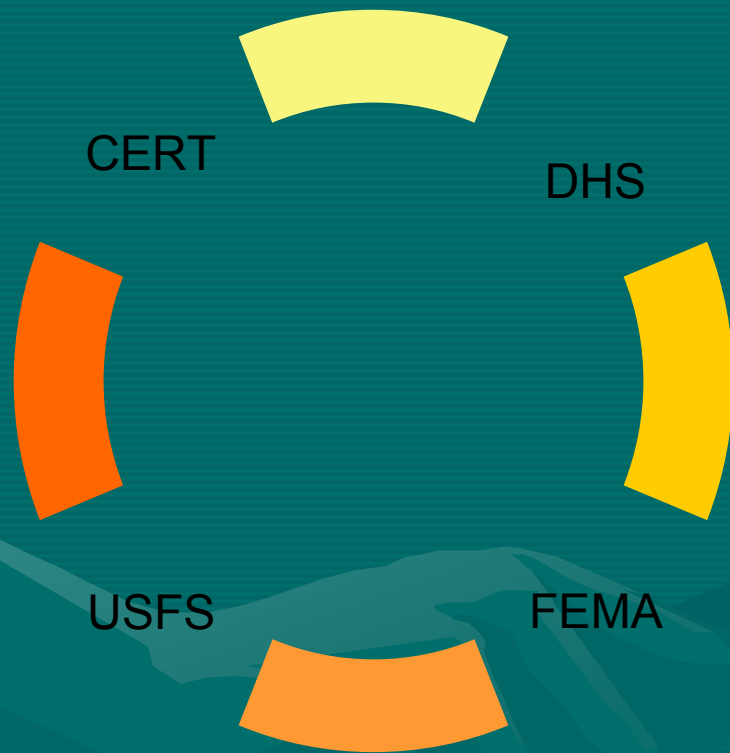
# What is CERT?

- The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program helps train people to be better prepared to respond to emergency situations in their communities. When emergencies happen, CERT members can give critical support to first responders, provide immediate assistance to victims, and organize spontaneous volunteers at a disaster site. CERT members can also help with non-emergency projects that help improve the safety of the community.

# What is CERT?

- Initially, CERT programs were developed to assist communities aftermath of a major disaster when first responders are overwhelmed or unable to respond. Now it is more. CERTs have proven themselves to be an active and vital part of their communities' preparedness and response capability. For example, CERTs have been used to:
  - Assist with evacuations and traffic control.
  - Promote community awareness of potential hazards and preparedness measures.
  - Supplement staffing at special events, such as parades.
  - Act as victims in training exercises.

# CERT Protocols





# CERTs do NOT....

- suppress large fires.
- enter structures that they consider heavily damaged and dangerous (e.g., leaning or moved from foundation).
- perform hazardous materials cleanup or respond to incidents involving radiological, chemical, or biological agents.
- perform medical, fire, or search and rescue operations beyond their level of training.
- activate or deploy unless called for in their procedures.

# Liability Issues

- *What about liability?*
- There is a discussion paper on liability for you to read on this website. Also the text of the Volunteer Protection Act of 1997 is located at  
<http://www.mtn.org/handiham/vpa1997.html>.

# CERT



- Should we consider linking our Brownfields and MWTP communities with this training?



# **BROWNFIELDS 2004:** *Gateway to Revitalization*

# **NIEHS PARTNERSHIP**

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# Brownfields 2004–Gateway to Revitalization

## St. Louis, MO:

- September 20-22, 2004
- America's Center
- Sponsorship, Booth, Call for Presentations, NIEHS Brownfields Meeting
- Scholarship Applications - June 1, 2004





# Contributions



# OICW



# NIEHS



# NPRF

# Workforce Development

- Rand Report on 21<sup>st</sup> Century at Work
  - <http://www.rand.org/publications/MG/MG164/MG164.pdf>
  - What useful information can we take from this document to help shape our training?
    - Shifts in employment relationships and where work is performed
    - Technology and skill requirements for the workforce.

# Workforce Development

- Rand Report on 21<sup>st</sup> Century at Work
- National Association of Workforce Boards –  
White House Fact Sheet on WIA interest
  - [http://www.nawb.org/asp/wia\\_prop.asp](http://www.nawb.org/asp/wia_prop.asp)
  - [http://www.nawb.org/pdf/pres\\_fact\\_sheet.pdf](http://www.nawb.org/pdf/pres_fact_sheet.pdf)
  - Better Training for Better Jobs



# Workforce Development

- **White House Fact Sheet-JOB TRAINING**
  - **Better Training for Better Jobs**
    - \$4 BILLION Federal funds to Governors (less red tape)
    - Strict limits on overhead-reducing costs by \$300 million
    - Giving workers more choices –Personal job training accounts (innovation training accounts –ITAs)
    - Training an additional 200,000 people for high-growth jobs through community colleges, unions and businesses

# Workforce Development

- **WIA and President's Job Training Package**
  - Innovation training accounts –ITAs
  - Individual Training Accounts (ITA's) -These ITA's supplement financial aid already available through other sources directly to individuals.
  - One-Stop Delivery
    - Improved youth programs linked more closely to local labor market needs and community youth programs and services, and with strong connections between academic and occupational learning.

# Upcoming Meetings/Workshops



- Mold-Related Health Effects: Clinical, Remediation Worker Protection, and Biomedical Research Issues - Washington DC; June 28-29, 2004
- NIEHS WETP Awardee Meeting & Workshop will be held in Fall 2004 in RTP (*tentative*)
- EPA Superfund Community Involvement Conference -Denver, CO - June 15-18, 2004
- Brownfields 2004 – St. Louis, MO; Sept 20-22
- Workforce Innovation 2004 –San Antonio, TX; July 19-21 , 2004  
– <http://www.workforceinnovations.org/>

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