

## CHECKLIST FOR BROWNFIELDS INVENTORY AND PRIORITIZATION

**Points:** A total of up to fifteen (15) points are available for this action.

This checklist is to be used in conjunction with the Brownfields Inventory and Prioritization Action.

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**Inventory** (10 points)

Summarize the process, and the data sources used to complete your Inventory, and provide a list of the individuals who worked on the project.

The Township Planning Department and Green Team reviewed over 100 sites procured from NJDEP data miner website, and created a top five priority list. The sites were prioritized by focusing on properties from the Township's designated Brownfield Development Area's and Redevelopment Areas. The sites were ranked in the following four categories: Ownership, Overall Hazard, Redevelopment Potential, and Potential to Reduce Blight.

Summarize the verification process used to add, retain or eliminate sites from your Inventory, including who performed the verification and the general information on the number or types of sites removed based on the original DataMiner report.

Assessments were made through NJDEP data miner, as areas with known contamination functioned as a primary indicator for updating records. Site verification was completed through multiple levels of screening with Township staff members, which aided in ground-truthing the information.

Summarize the policy for regularly updating the Brownfields Inventory, including who is responsible and how often this will occur.

The Township prioritizes brownfields annually in order to best ensure the sites included within its inventory and prioritization align with current data, and the needs of the community. The municipal Green Team in conjunction with the Planning Department's expertise is utilized in order to finalize the inventory and address prioritization each year.

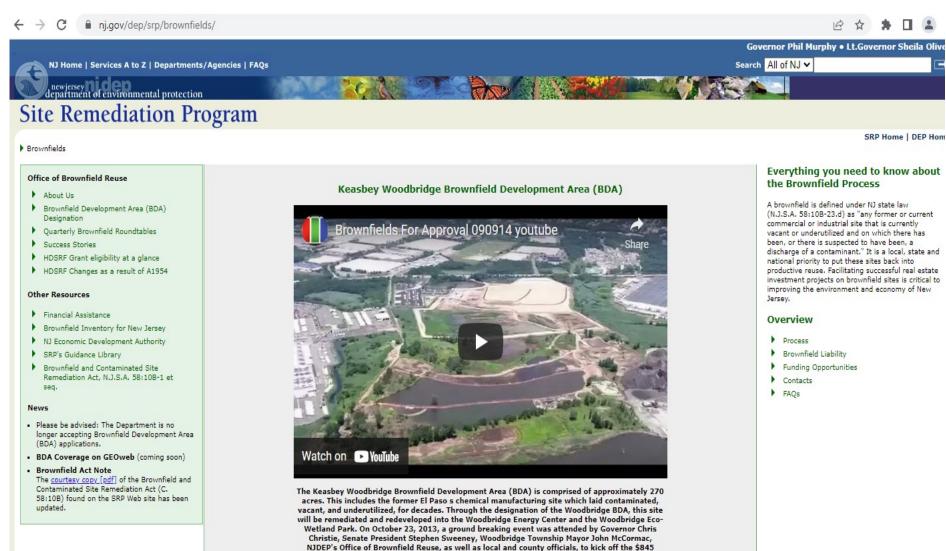
## **Prioritization (5 points)**

Summarize the process used to develop the prioritization criteria, including whether all the sites were ranked or if a subset was chosen; the rationale for selecting the subset if applicable, who participated in the decision-making, the list of the criteria used and how each criterion was weighted, if applicable.

The overall goal of the prioritization process is to address the existing conditions that have negatively impacted each area and comprehensively upgrade the area through redevelopment. The Township does so through selecting criteria to develop a safe and improved site appearance and environmental quality. The size of Woodbridge (over 24 square miles) and age (over 350 years old) lends itself to a number of known contaminated sites, the top five selection process is conducted through detailed discussions about the overall impact of site remediation to the community at large, neighborhoods, and environmental values.

Indicate how and when the list was submitted to the municipal business administrator and governing body:

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