## Southeastern Mass. Regional Brownfields Roundtable

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### What is a Brownfields?

#### **EPA Definition**

US EPA: "Real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the <u>presence</u> or <u>potential presence</u> of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant."

Contamination may not be confirmed!

#### **Examples**

Vacant or underutilized: commercial/industrial buildings or former commercial/industrial sites; warehouses; gas/service stations; public/institutional facilities; agricultural sites, rail yards/rail corridors





# MGL 21E Ch 2. Brownfields Liability Relief

The Brownfields Act established statutory liability relief for certain parties undertaking brownfields projects. Parties interested in determining if they are eligible for this protection should refer to MGL 21E Chapter 2, and consult with an attorney with expertise in liability relating to OHM releases.

- Eligible Person
  - "Eligible" Owners & Operators
  - Downgradient Property Owners
  - Tenants
  - Redevelopment Authorities & CDCs
  - Secured Lenders

Relief <u>After</u> Meeting Cleanup Standards

- No Significant Risk
- Permanent Solution or ROS





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# **Opportunities**









# **Success Stories**







