



## Ohio Revised Code

Section 122.657 [Repealed effective 10/3/2023 by H.B. 33, 135th General Assembly] Establishing policies and requirements.

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For the purposes of sections 122.65 to 122.658 of the Revised Code, the director of development shall establish policies and requirements regarding all of the following:

(A) The form and content of applications for grants or loans from the clean Ohio revitalization fund under section 122.652 of the Revised Code. The policies and requirements shall require that each application include, at a minimum, all of the following:

- (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the applicant;
- (2) The legal description of the property for which the grant or loan is requested;
- (3) A summary description of the hazardous substances or petroleum present at the brownfield and a certified copy of the results of an assessment;
- (4) A detailed explanation of the proposed cleanup or remediation of the brownfield, including an identification of the applicable cleanup standards, and a detailed description of the proposed use of the brownfield after completion of the cleanup or remediation;
- (5) An estimate of the total cost to clean up or remediate the brownfield in order to comply with the applicable cleanup standards. The total cost shall include the cost of employing a certified professional under section 122.654 of the Revised Code.
- (6) A detailed explanation of the portion of the estimated total cost of the cleanup or remediation of the brownfield that the applicant proposes to provide as required under sections 122.653 and 122.658 of the Revised Code and financial records supporting the proposal;
- (7) A certified copy of a resolution or ordinance approving the project that the applicant shall obtain



from the board of township trustees of the township or the legislative authority of the municipal corporation in which the property is located, whichever is applicable;

(8) A description of the estimated economic benefit that will result from a cleanup or remediation of the brownfield;

(9) An application summary for purposes of review by an integrating committee or, if applicable, the executive committee of an integrating committee under division (B) of section 122.652 of the Revised Code;

(10) With respect to applications for loans, information demonstrating that the applicant will implement a financial management plan that includes, without limitation, provisions for the satisfactory repayment of the loan;

(11) Any other provisions that the director determines should be included in an application.

(B) Procedures for conducting public meetings and providing public notice under division (A) of section 122.652 of the Revised Code;

(C) Criteria to be used by integrating committees or, if required under division (C) of section 122.652 of the Revised Code, executive committees of integrating committees when prioritizing projects under division (B) of section 122.652 of the Revised Code. The policies and requirements also shall establish procedures that integrating committees or, if required under division (C) of section 122.652 of the Revised Code, executive committees of integrating committees shall use in applying the criteria.

(D) A selection process that provides for the prioritization of brownfield cleanup or remediation projects for which grant or loan applications are submitted under section 122.652 of the Revised Code. The policies and requirements shall require the selection process to give priority to projects in which the post-cleanup or remediation use will be for a combination of residential, commercial, or industrial purposes, which may include the conversion of a portion of a brownfield to a recreation, park, or natural area that is integrated with the residential, commercial, or industrial use of the brownfield after cleanup or remediation, or will incorporate projects that are funded by grants



awarded under sections 164.20 to 164.27 of the Revised Code. The policies and requirements shall require the selection process to incorporate and emphasize all of the following factors:

- (1) The potential economic benefit that will result from the cleanup or remediation of a brownfield;
- (2) The potential environmental improvement that will result from the cleanup or remediation of a brownfield;
- (3) The amount and nature of the match provided by an applicant as required under sections 122.653 and 122.658 of the Revised Code;
- (4) Funding priorities recommended by integrating committees or, if required under division (C) of section 122.652 of the Revised Code, executive committees of integrating committees under division (B) of section 122.652 of the Revised Code;
- (5) The potential benefit to low-income communities, including minority communities, that will result from the cleanup or remediation of a brownfield;
- (6) Any other factors that the director considers appropriate.

(E) The development of criteria that the director shall use when awarding grants under section 122.656 of the Revised Code. The criteria shall give priority to public health projects. In addition, the director, in consultation with the director of environmental protection, shall establish policies and requirements that require the criteria to include a public health project selection process that incorporates and emphasizes all of the following factors:

- (1) The potential environmental improvement that will result from the cleanup or remediation;
- (2) The ability of an applicant to access the property for purposes of the cleanup or remediation;
- (3) The name and qualifications of the cleanup or remediation contractor;
- (4) Any other factors that the director of development considers appropriate.



The director of development may develop any other policies and requirements that the director determines are necessary for the administration of section 122.656 of the Revised Code.

(F) The development of a brownfield cleanup and remediation oversight program to ensure compliance with sections 122.65 to 122.658 of the Revised Code and policies and requirements established under this section. The policies and requirements shall require the program to include, at a minimum, both of the following:

(1) Procedures for the accounting of invoices and receipts and any other documents that are necessary to demonstrate that a cleanup or remediation was properly performed;

(2) Procedures that are necessary to provide a detailed explanation of the status of the property five years after the completed cleanup or remediation.

(G) A delineation of what constitutes administrative costs for purposes of divisions (D) and (F) of section 122.658 of the Revised Code;

(H) Procedures and requirements for making loans and loan agreements that include at least all of the following:

(1) Not more than fifteen per cent of moneys annually allocated to the clean Ohio revitalization fund shall be used for loans.

(2) The loans shall be made at or below market rates of interest, including, without limitation, interest-free loans.

(3) The recipient of a loan shall identify a source of security and a source of repayment of the loan.

(4) The clean Ohio council may accept notes and other forms of obligation to evidence indebtedness, accept mortgages, liens, pledges, assignments, and other security interests to secure such indebtedness, and take any actions that are considered by the council to be appropriate to protect such security and safeguard against losses, including, without limitation, foreclosure and bidding on



the purchase of property upon foreclosure or other sale.

(I) Any other policies and requirements that the director determines are necessary for the administration of sections 122.65 to 122.658 of the Revised Code.