



## City of Grass Valley City Council Agenda Action Sheet

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**Title:** Acceptance of the Final Report on the 2017 Gold Country Coalition Brownfield Grant

**CEQA:** Not a Project

**Recommendation:** Accept the Final Report and direct staff to submit it to the United State Environmental Protection Agency program manager.

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**Prepared by:** Thomas Last, Community Development Director

**Council Meeting Date:** 3/15/2023

**Date Prepared:** 3/8/2023

**Agenda:** Administrative

**Background Information:** In late 2016, the Cities of Grass Valley and Nevada City, along with Nevada County partnered in a coalition grant application for the Brownfield Community-Wide Site Assessment program. The intent of the partnership was to obtain funds to complete assessment work on properties that may have been impacted by hazardous substances and petroleum products. On September 9, 2017, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) awarded the Gold Country Coalition partners a grant in the amount of \$598,312. The City of Grass Valley staff managed the coalition grant. The City selected Holdrege and Kull (now NV5) to complete the technical studies and to assist in grant implementation. Overall, the grant funded various levels of site assessments and cleanup plans on twelve (12) properties. As a result, five (5) of the Brownfield locations were cleared for some form of redevelopment and reuse, and Five (5) cleanup plans were approved. Staff anticipates two of the property's cleanup plans to be approved under the recently awarded 2022 Brownfield grant.

**Council Goals/Objectives:** This action implements the goals and projects in the Strategic Plan, specifically objectives: 1.A.9 - restore and improve waterways; 1.B.3 - enhance efforts to clean up neighborhoods and commercial areas; 4.C.6 - organize the development of priority development areas through public/private partnerships, grant funding, and public engagement; and 5.A.5. Work toward improving the City's communication and collaboration with Nevada County and other public agencies.

**Fiscal Impact:** None, program funded with grant.

**Funds Available:** N/A

**Account #:** N/A

**Reviewed by:** \_\_\_ City Manager

**Attachments:** Final Report