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Greer County Economic Development Authority Receives Grant for Environmental Cleanup

A ceremony will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 5, 2015, to award Greer County Economic Development Authority a Brownfields cleanup grant from the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). The event will take place at Greer County Welcome Center, located at 119 E. Jefferson Street in Mangum, Oklahoma.

The grant will be used for asbestos abatement within the historic Hotel Franklin, which was built in 1929. Cleanup of the hotel will allow the building to be redeveloped into senior housing, retail businesses, and a restaurant.

The Brownfields cleanup grants finance shovel-ready brownfields cleanup projects, encourage redevelopment, and create local jobs in communities across the state. The funds may be used to clean up contaminated properties. Low-interest loans are available to public entities and “for profit” organizations.

For more information on DEQ’s Brownfields Program, visit <http://www.deq.state.ok.us/lpdnew/brownfindex.html>.

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