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***Applicant Information***

<b>A) Project Title:</b>	Ely Rail Yard	<b>D) Applicant:</b>	Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
<b>B) Grant Type:</b>	Site Specific, petroleum assessment grant	<b>C) Funding amount</b>	\$350,000 for petroleum grant
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<b>G) Location:</b>			
<b>H) Population:</b>	White Pine County: 9,181 residents (2000 Census data) City of Ely: 4,041 residents (2000 Census data)		
<b>I) Other:</b>	Applicant is not a tribe, or a federally designated EZ/EC or Renewal Community		

## **Threshold Criteria**

### *A. Applicant Eligibility*

This application for Brownfields site assessment funding is being made by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection. The NDEP is an eligible entity for the receipt of these funds as an official representative of the State of Nevada. The NDEP has received Brownfields funding in previous years both as an applicant for the award of a competitive Revolving Loan Fund grant and also as the on-going recipient of funding authorized through CERCLA Section 128 for approved state response programs.

### *B. Community Notification*

### *C. Letter from State Environmental Authority*

The NDEP is both the applicant and the state environmental authority; therefore, no letter has been attached.

### *D. Site Eligibility (site specific, petroleum assessment grant)*

1) The NDEP is requesting a waiver of the \$200,000 per site funding limit, up to the maximum of \$350,000 for a site specific assessment grant proposal. It is our belief that this level of assessment is appropriate and necessary for the Ely Rail Yard based on the size of the site and the site's long history of operation. The site has never been characterized and the specific product handling practices relating to maintenance, refueling, freight loading/transfer, and storage by past operators are largely unknown. The NDEP has identified the site as a high-priority brownfield as a part of its timely survey and inventory efforts required under the Brownfields Revitalization Act; however, the site is too large to be undertaken with the resources available to the State Brownfields Program, prompting the preparation of this competitive grant proposal.

2) a) Ely Rail Yard is not listed on the National Priorities List, nor has it been entered into the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Information System (CERCLIS). b) The site is not currently subject to unilateral administrative orders or any other type of action entered into under CERCLA. c) The site is held in ownership by a municipality and a non-profit organization; it is not subject to the jurisdiction, custody, or control of the United States government.

3) a) The name of the site is the Ely Rail Yard. Alternatively, the site is also known as the Nevada Northern Railway Museum. b) The site is located at 1100 Avenue A, East Ely, NV 89315.