



BROWNFIELDS PROGRAM PROJECT FACT SHEET

Pagoda Building Dresslerville, Douglas County

BACKGROUND

Over many years, Washoe tribal and community leaders and members had expressed interest in re-purposing the Pagoda Building and surrounding campground. Although both had been previously used for community recreational and tribal gathering events, they were not in service for at least twenty years and were in disrepair. In 2021, the Washoe Tribe applied and was accepted for Nevada Brownfields Program assistance to remove asbestos-containing building materials identified in the building through a Targeted Brownfields Assessment conducted by EPA Region 9.

FUNDING		
<u>Activity</u>	<u>NBP Funding</u>	<u>Date</u>
Asbestos Survey	\$3,231	2022
Cleanup	\$107,271	2022
SUM	\$110,502	

INVESTIGATION

During the Targeted Brownfields Assessment conducted by EPA Region 9, brick insulation located in the fireplace of the building was observed to be significantly damaged. The area was suspected to contain asbestos; however, bulk samples were not collected since a live bat was found inside the fireplace. As a result, the brick insulation was designated presumed asbestos-containing material in accordance with Nevada Administrative Code 618.961.

During the asbestos removal activities, the fireplace area was no longer considered unsafe, and thus, samples were collected. Laboratory analysis demonstrated that the brick insulation did not meet the definition of an asbestos-containing material, and therefore, did not require removal by a licensed asbestos abatement contractor.

SITE LOCATION

- South Memdewee Run
- APN: 1220-23-000-002
- 308.49 acres



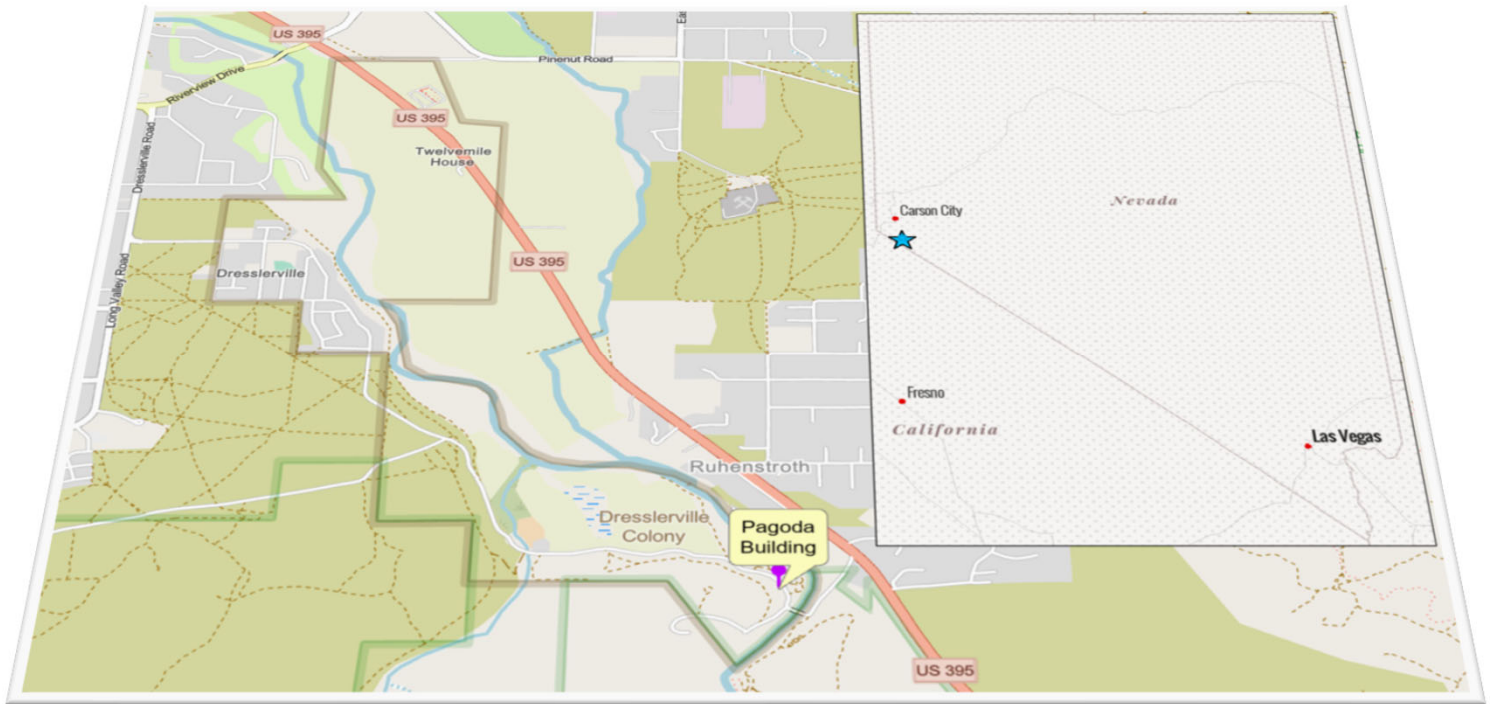
CLEANUP

As part of the asbestos removal project, the following activities were conducted:

- Removal and disposal of miscellaneous asbestos-contaminated trash and debris throughout the building, including removal of the furnace, water heater, and other fixtures, as needed to perform asbestos abatement.
- Removal and disposal of approximately 3,250 ft² of friable asbestos-containing drywall, asbestos-contaminated insulation, and shower tile throughout the building.
- Removal and disposal of approximately 2,580 ft² of non-friable asbestos-containing vinyl floor tile throughout the building.

CURRENT STATUS

Although the specific re-use of the building has not been determined, the asbestos removal will allow the building to be ready for renovation once a determination is made and funding for renovation is in place.



RESOURCES

To learn more about the Nevada Brownfields Program, visit:

<https://ndep.nv.gov/environmental-cleanup/brownfields>



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