As part of the Washoe County Regional Transportation Commission’s (RTC) site selection process for two new transit centers in Reno and Sparks, in 2003 the RTC applied and was awarded grants through the Nevada Brownfields Program (NBP) to identify any environmental contamination at their preferred locations. The grants were used to conduct environmental assessments at the two sites described below.

### Funding

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### Site Investigations

Rather than selecting sites based on avoidance of environmental costs, the RTC sought to utilize sites that would appropriately house transit facilities based on traffic patterns and space considerations.

Environmental consultants installed groundwater monitoring wells to investigate any historic releases from nearby facilities. As a result of these assessments, the Nevada Brownfields Program found no environmental impacts at the Sparks location. Historic petroleum contamination was discovered at various locations across the proposed Reno CitiCenter site.

### Site Locations

**Reno CitiCenter/4th St. Station**

- 205 E. Plaza St., Reno
- APNs: 007-311-10, 15

**Sparks CitiStation/Centennial Plaza**

- 145 15th St., Sparks
- APN: 032-171-33

### Current Status

By 2008, the sites were redeveloped into the RTC 4th St. Station (Reno) and the Centennial Plaza Transit Center (Sparks).

### Resources

To learn more about the Nevada Brownfields Program, visit: [https://ndep.nv.gov/environmental-clean-up/brownfields](https://ndep.nv.gov/environmental-clean-up/brownfields)

Technicians use a drill rig to install groundwater monitoring wells.