



BROWNFIELDS PROGRAM PROJECT FACT SHEET

Ruth Elementary School Ruth, White Pine County

SITE BACKGROUND

The Ruth Elementary School property has been owned by the White Pine County School District since it was acquired from the Kennecott Copper Corporation in 1958 for \$1.00. Construction of the school began in 1959 and the school opened in 1962. The school operated for 23 years before shutting down in 1985. In 2008 the School District subdivided the property into five parcels and put them up for sale in a public bid. No bids were submitted.

At the time of application in 2010, the building was closed and its structure was in a deteriorated condition. Asbestos containing materials, lead-based paint, water damage, and mold growth were present in the building. The White Pine County School District applied and was accepted for Nevada Brownfields Program (NBP) funding to assess and remediate any hazardous materials and safely demolish the building.

FUNDING

<u>Activity</u>	<u>NBP Funding</u>	<u>Date</u>
Phase I Environmental Site Assessment	\$7,328	2010
Cleanup	\$31,274	2011
SUM	\$38,602	

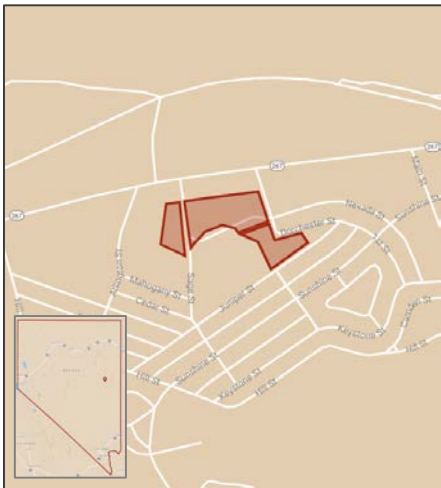
INVESTIGATIONS

A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment was conducted and identified an underground heating oil tank (UST) as a Recognized Environmental Condition (REC). It was later discovered that the UST had previously been removed.

An asbestos containing material (ACM) inspection and lead-based paint (LBP) survey was conducted on the building. The assessment revealed the presence of asbestos in floor tile, window glazing, ceiling joint compound, and cement ceiling panels. No lead-based paint was identified.

SITE LOCATION

- 20 Juniper Street, Ruth, White Pine County
- APNs: 003-021-05 to -09
- 7.5 acres



CLEANUP ACTIVITIES

Asbestos containing materials (ACM) were removed from the building to facilitate demolition of the building and future redevelopment. The ACMs were sampled and transported for proper disposal.

CURRENT STATUS

The building has not been demolished as of July 2018, and all five parcels remained owned by the White Pine County School District.

RESOURCES

To learn more about the Nevada Brownfields Program, visit: <https://ndep.nv.gov/environmental-cleanup/brownfields>

