



# BROWNFIELDS PROGRAM PROJECT FACT SHEET

## Silver Strike Motel Tonopah, Nye County

### SITE BACKGROUND

The Silver Strike Motel building was built in 1950. It operated as the L&L Motel from 1950 to 1990, then operated as the Silver Strike Motel from 1990 until its closure in 1996. It was locally known as the “Pink Hotel”. The Town of Tonopah purchased the property from a private owner in 2003 with the intention of redeveloping the property as part of its downtown revitalization effort. At the time of purchase, the building was unoccupied and in a state of severe deterioration which had resulted in the potential release of asbestos-containing materials and other hazardous materials. Site access had been uncontrolled and the interior of the building had been vandalized. The site consisted of two parcels, with two buildings and a pool located on the first parcel, and two buildings located on the second parcel.

Nye County applied and was approved for funding from the Nevada Brownfields Program (NBP) to assess and safely prepare the building for demolition.

### FUNDING

<u>Activity</u>	<u>NBP Funding</u>	<u>Date</u>
Hazardous Building Materials Survey & Cleanup	\$88,460	2005

### SITE INVESTIGATIONS

A hazardous building materials survey was conducted to identify and quantify building materials containing asbestos and/or lead-based paint (LBP), and to quantify potential mercury-containing thermostats/switches, polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB)-containing items, fluorescent light tubes, air conditioning units, and exit signs.

The survey found asbestos-containing materials (ACMs) in all buildings in a mix of both good and damaged condition. The survey did not find LBP at the site. Finally, the survey identified 102 potentially PCB-containing items.

### SITE LOCATION

- Address: 201 North Main Street, Tonopah, Nye County
- APN: 08-064-01, -03
- 1.54 acres



## CLEAN-UP ACTIVITY

A 1,000 gallon above-ground steel heating oil tank was removed and disposed of offsite. Following the removal, 21 tons of contaminated soil was excavated then backfilled with clean fill.

Before demolition all hazardous materials, including asbestos containing materials, PCB-containing items, and lead-based paint were abated through removal.



Building demolition following abatement

## CURRENT STATUS

The Tonopah Fire and Ambulance Service constructed facilities on the parcel, which are jointly maintained by Nye County and the Town of Tonopah. The Town of Tonopah also maintains the spall park and farmers market on portions of the site.



Tonopah Fire and Ambulance building



Park facilities on site of former Silver Strike Motel



Park on site of former Silver Strike Motel

## RESOURCES

To learn more about the Nevada Brownfields Program, visit:

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



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