



2026 Brownfield Seminar

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7:00-8:30 AM	REGISTRATION
8:30-8:50 AM	GENERAL WELCOME & SPONSOR RECOGNITION + Safety Remarks + Housekeeping + Agenda Overview
8:50-9:30 AM	SESSION 1: Perspectives on Artificial Intelligence and Opportunities for Use in Brownfield Development <i>Mary Peyton Brown</i> , Barnes & Thornburg + <i>Paul Schnieder</i> , Georgia Power + <i>Andrew Bakert</i> , ERM + <i>Greg Jirak, P.G.</i> , ERM
9:30-10:15 AM	SESSION 2: Georgia's Regional Commission Panel <i>Laura Schneider</i> , River Valley Regional Commission + <i>Greg Boike</i> , Middle Georgia Regional Commission + <i>Adam Hazell</i> , Georgia Mountains Regional Commission + <i>Diana Pitcher-Williams</i> , Decide DeKalb + <i>Amanda Herrit</i> , Terracon
10:15-10:30 AM	NETWORKING BREAK (PSAs)
10:30-10:50 AM	EPD Update: Stephanie Horwitz , Brownfield Coordinator, Response & Remediation Program
10:50-11:10 AM	SESSION 3: What to Keep, What to Drop: Managing Legacy Data in Brownfield CSRs <i>Stephanie Horwitz</i> , EPD + <i>Jessica Turner</i> , GEI Consultants
11:10-11:25 AM	NETWORKING BREAK (PSAs)
11:25-11:55 AM	SESSION 4: Past and Future of Atlanta Brownfield Redevelopments <i>GSU's Turner Field Redevelopment as a Brownfield: A Creative Approach - Chuck Ferry</i> , WSP <i>The Stitch Project: A Multidisciplinary Approach to Reconnecting Atlanta's Urban Core Through Innovation and Collaboration - Becky Steever</i> + <i>Mariah Butts</i> , WSP
11:55-12:20 PM	SESSION 5: Tips for Success with Rural and Urban Brownfields Redevelopment <i>Session Leader: Camilla + Cooper</i> <i>Lee Harrop</i> , Westside Future Fund + <i>Camilla Warren</i> , Kleinfelder + <i>Dustin Heizer</i> , Reliance Consulting
12:20-12:25 PM	PSA: Georgia Environmental Conference (GEC): David Mook
12:25-12:55 PM	LUNCH & NETWORKING BREAK (30 minutes)
12:55-1:10 PM	DARAHYL DENNIS SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION
1:10-1:40 PM	KEYNOTE ADDRESS: US EPA Deputy RA Kristy Eubanks
1:40-2:00 PM	EPA UPDATE: David Hayes , Brownfields Project Manager
2:00-2:15 PM	NETWORKING BREAK (PSAs)
2:15-3:15 PM	SESSION 6: Case Studies • Bowen Choice Neighborhood Transformation Plan <i>John Skach</i> , Atlanta Housing + <i>Peggy Whitlow</i> , Live Thrive + <i>Kimberly Sanders</i> , STANTEC + <i>Jessica Lavandier</i> , City of Atlanta • Rural Brownfield Success from Coast to Coast A Tale of Two Small Cities: Adrian, Georgia; Chiloquin, OR <i>Keith Ziobron</i> , CHA Consulting + <i>Mayor Sandra Bailes</i> , City of Adrian, GA
3:15-3:30 PM	NETWORKING BREAK (PSAs)
3:30-4:00 PM	SESSION 7: Lifecycle of a PFAS Project • PFAS Visualization and Fingerprinting for PFAS Site Investigation and Source Identifications + Overview of PFAS Gas Phase and Particulate Transport Pathways Relevant to Environmental Release and Remediation Sites: Dora Chiang , Jacobs • Passive Flux Meters for High-Resolution Contaminant Characterization: Christian Parke , REGENESIS
4:00-4:30 PM	SESSION 8: Post Remediation Considerations: • Importance of Defining the Appropriate Target Area when Demonstrating Community Need: Jack DellaPenna , TRC Companies • Post-Remediation Is Not the Finish Line: Designing Brownfields as Long-Term Community Assets: Jamie Rosenthal + Rob Pyecha , Roots Down
4:30-4:40 PM	CLOSING REMARKS
4:40-7:30 PM	RECEPTION



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As a member-led organization, GBA accomplishes its mission through collaborative engagement with EPD and EPA, the legislature, elected officials, local businesses, communities and other stakeholders. GBA's membership is comprised of leading legal, engineering, risk management, economic and real estate development, and other environmentally-focused professionals.

Legislative Efforts

GBA is active at the legislature and collaborates with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Georgia Environmental Protection Division to help ensure that regulatory issues do not impede responsible and sustainable redevelopment in Georgia. GBA also collaborates with like-minded organizations with shared interests in economic development, environmental sustainability, and related social challenges. GBA desires to educate and inspire business, civic and political decision makers about the opportunities presented by brownfields in our State.

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GBA provides professionals in the redevelopment community an active voice among legislative and industry leaders. Since 2012, the association has been pleased to twice collaborate with Georgia Environmental Protection Division to successfully advocate for the passage of legislation (including Georgia House Bill 957, the Georgia Hazard Site Reuse and Redevelopment Act) to refine the laws regulating brownfield redevelopment in Georgia. In addition, the group regularly holds events at which we educate members about timely industry topics and provide unique opportunities for networking with others throughout the industry and state.

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