

Revolving Loan Fund Administrative Manual

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Foreword

The purpose of the *Revolving Loan Fund Grant Program Administrative Manual* is to assist EPA Regions in identifying and explaining the administrative requirements and procedures of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (U.S. EPA's) Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) grant program. This manual should be used to assist with RLF cooperative agreement negotiations for Brownfields grants and to assist answering questions from RLF grantees.

All EPA Regions must ensure that RLF cooperative agreement recipients understand their roles and responsibilities to successfully manage an RLF program. This manual specifically addresses the requirements for all RLF grants awarded under the Small Business Liability and Brownfields Revitalization Act (P.L. 107-118, or Brownfields Law) signed on January 11, 2002, or only for previously awarded RLF cooperative agreement pilots that have formally transitioned to the new law requirements. All other pilot recipients must operate pursuant to the terms and conditions of their original cooperative agreement, and should contact their EPA Regional RLF coordinator for additional information. The guidelines in this manual do not impose legally-binding requirements. Grant recipients are free to raise questions about the appropriateness of these guidelines, and EPA will review these questions based on applicable statutory provisions. This manual will be updated as needed to reflect policy and regulatory initiatives affecting the administration of the RLF program.

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