

EPA unveils \$600 million in new funding to clean up sites

April 16 -- The U.S. EPA has unveiled \$600 million in new funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 for the cleanup of hazardous waste sites across the nation.

The funding will accelerate cleanup already under way at most sites and fund some new cleanup projects. It also will jumpstart local economies by creating jobs, according to the EPA.

The federal Superfund program has cleaned up hazardous waste sites since 1980, dealing with properties that pose unacceptable risks to human health and the environment.

The Superfund program is implementing new or expanded cleanup actions at 50 sites around the country with recovery act funds.

More information about the Superfund program is available at www.epa.gov/superfund.

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