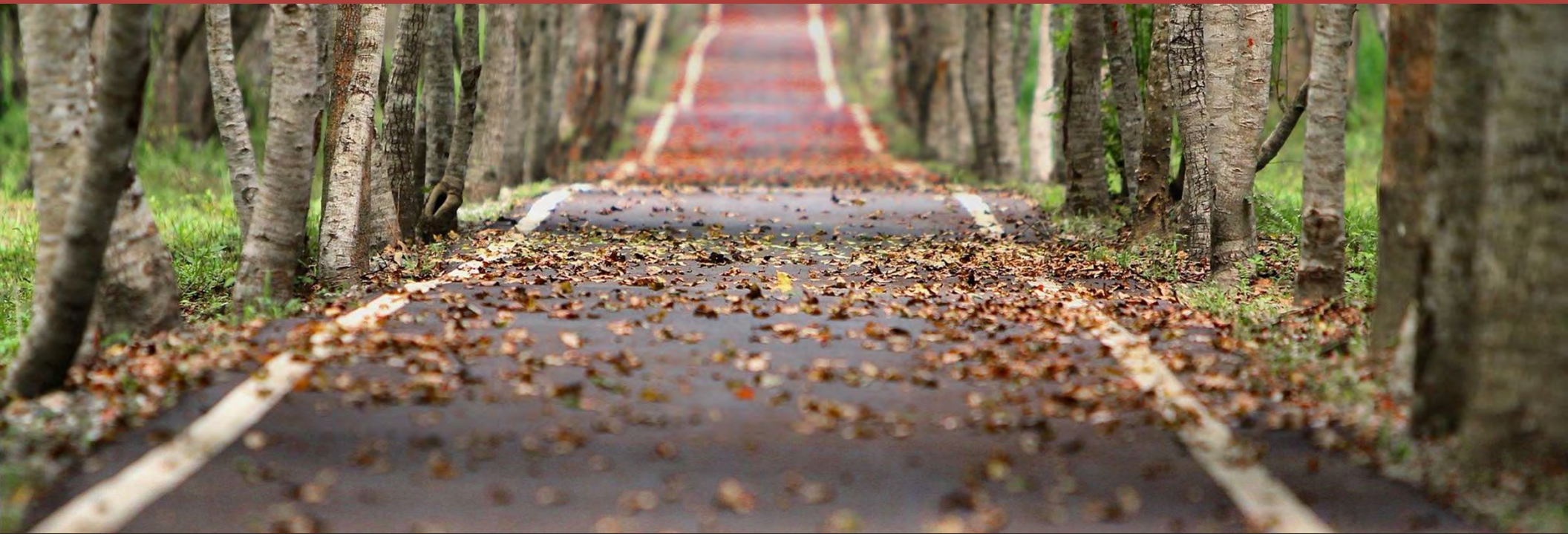


# Breaking the barriers to cleanup & redevelopment for communities of ALL sizes

Roundtable discussion to learn what keeps you from moving forward at contaminated sites



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State Brownfields Team

Thank you for being here today!



## **Today's plan**

Introductions & outlining the problem

What are your barriers?

Report out from each table

State & federal resources available to you

Next steps

# Your brownfield partners in the room: Ecology, EPA, Commerce



We're here to listen and connect you with resources.

We won't have all the answers.

But if we're alerted to gaps, Ecology can  
create policy and change some of the ways  
we do business.

## brownfield:

Property with known or suspected environmental contamination that hinders redevelopment or full use.



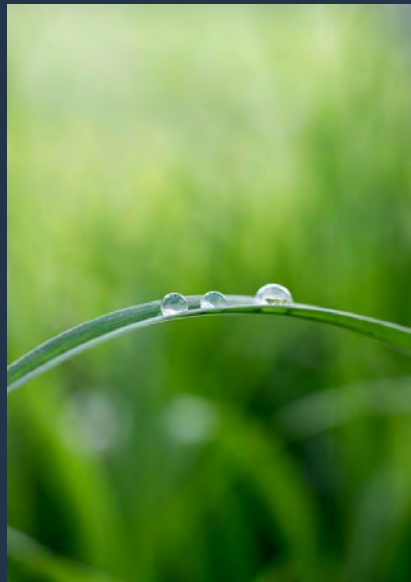
## State Brownfields Team:

Provides funding & resources that help put your brownfield back into use.



Washington State  
Department of  
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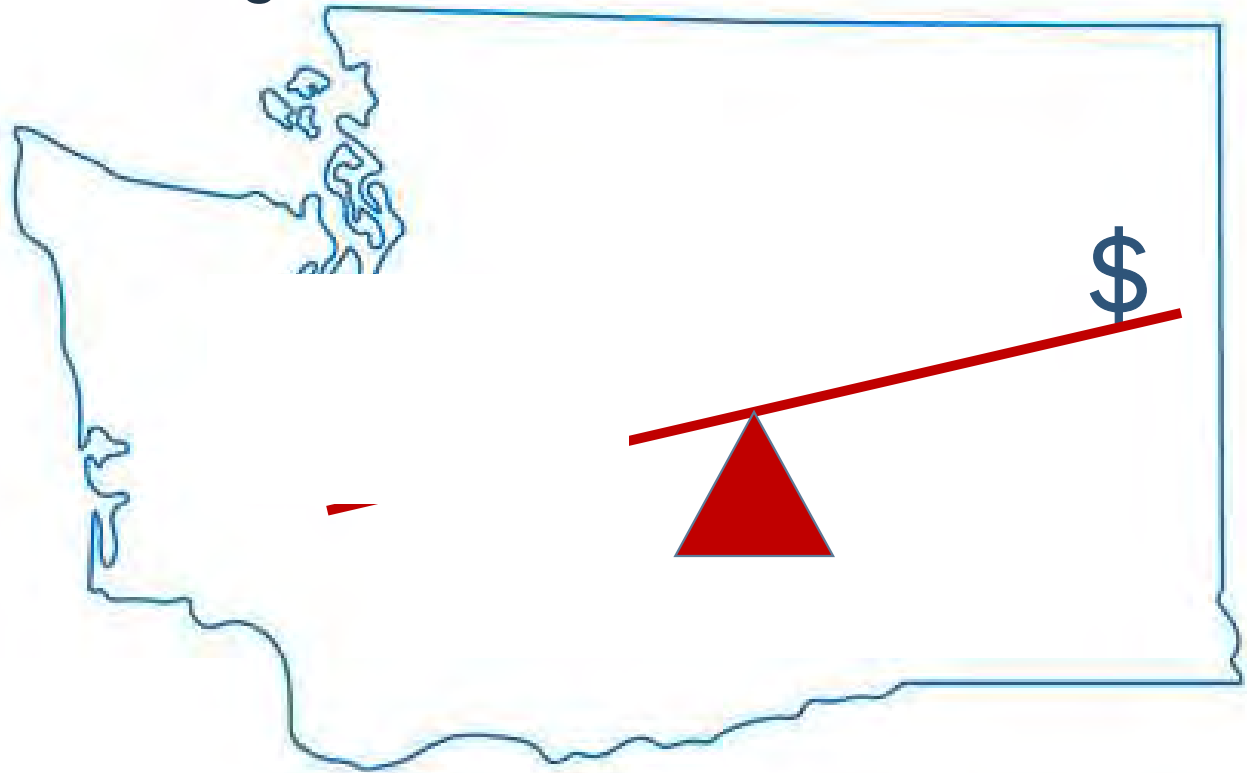
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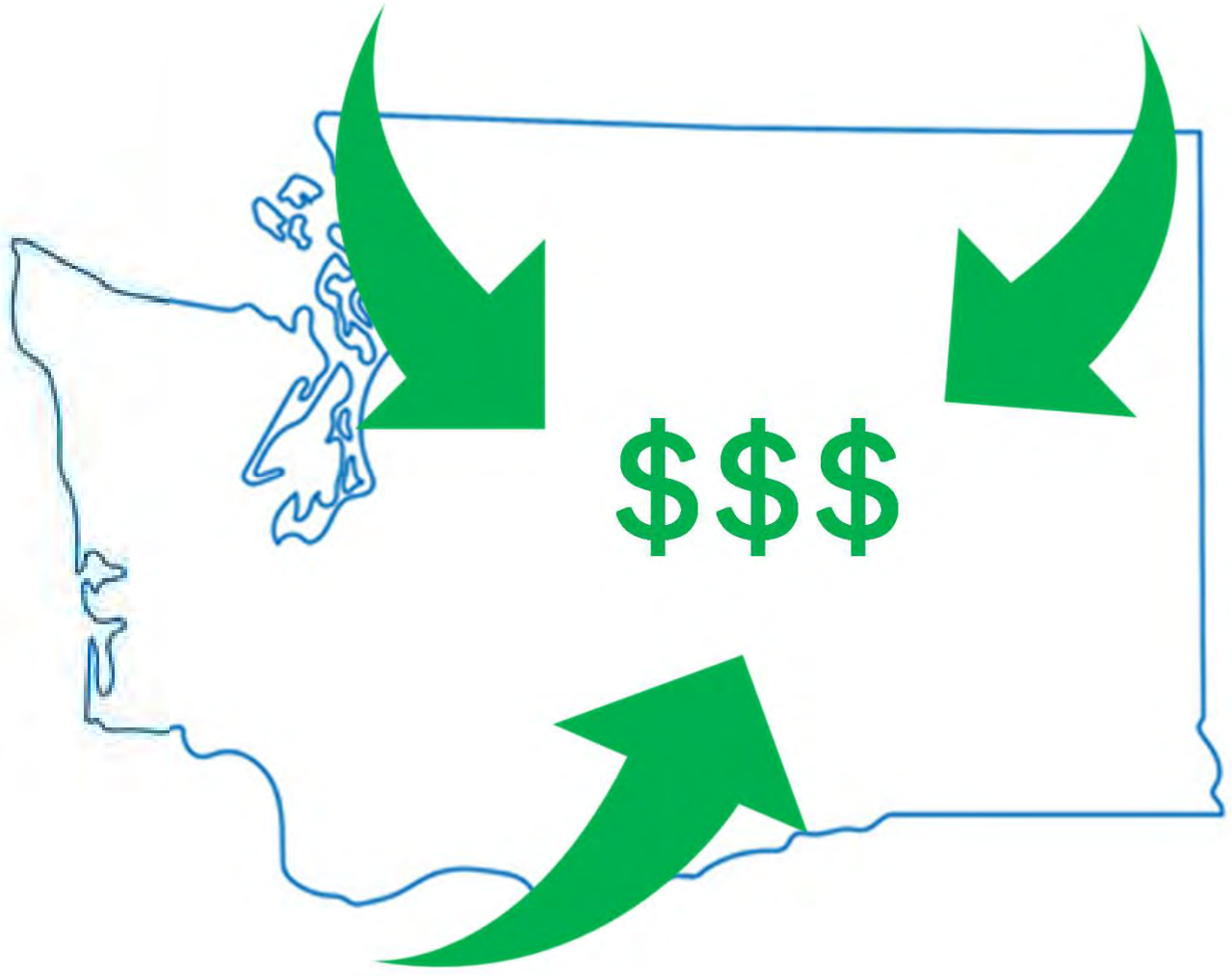
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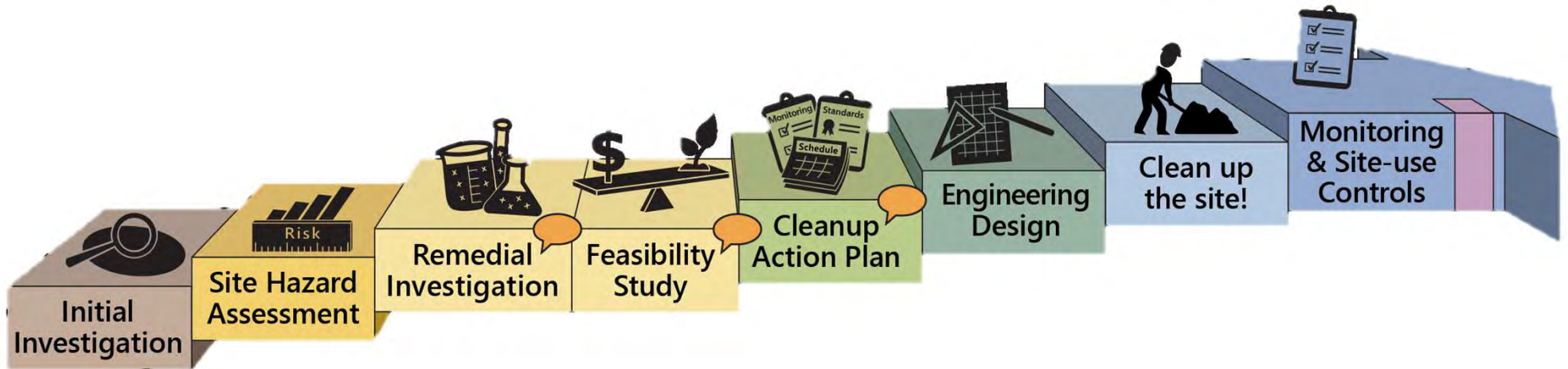
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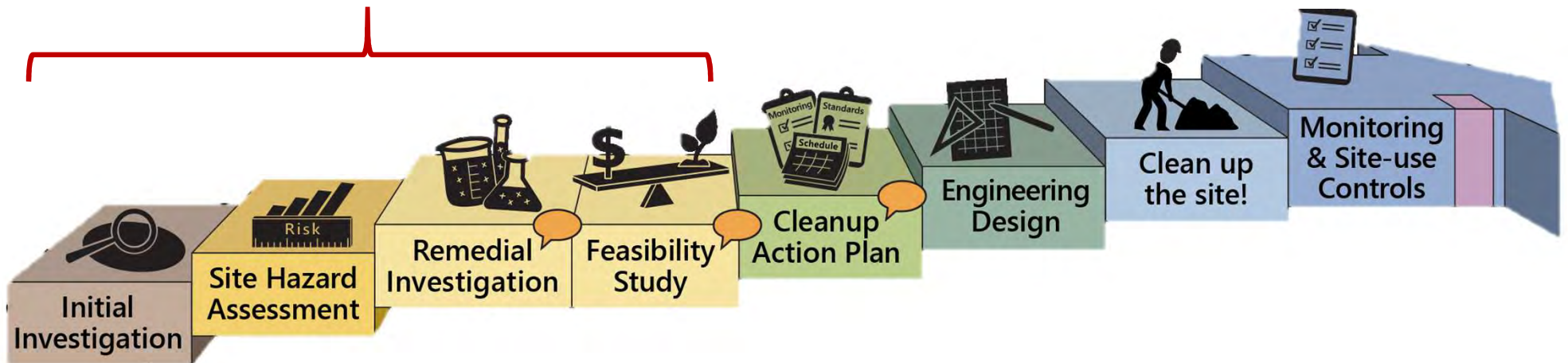
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Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) Regulations  
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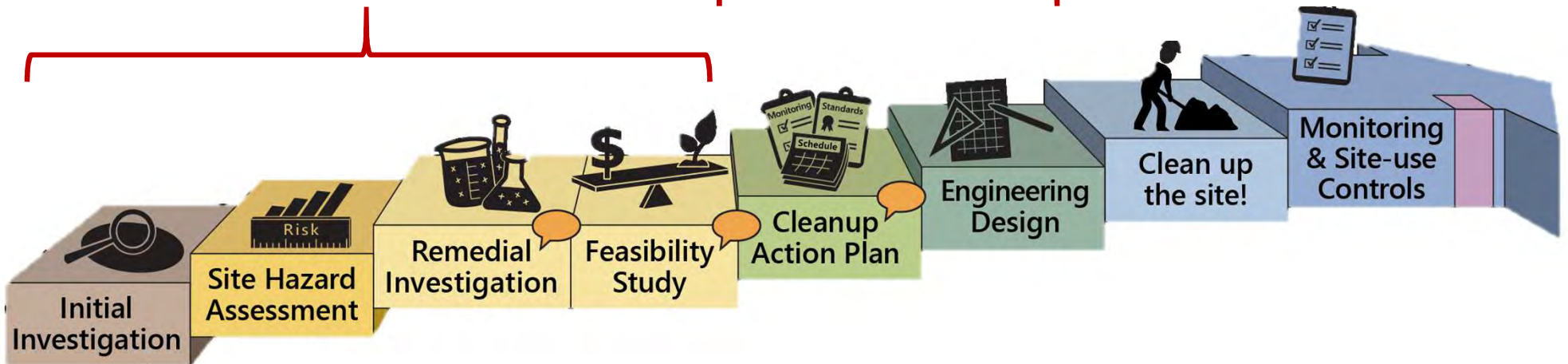
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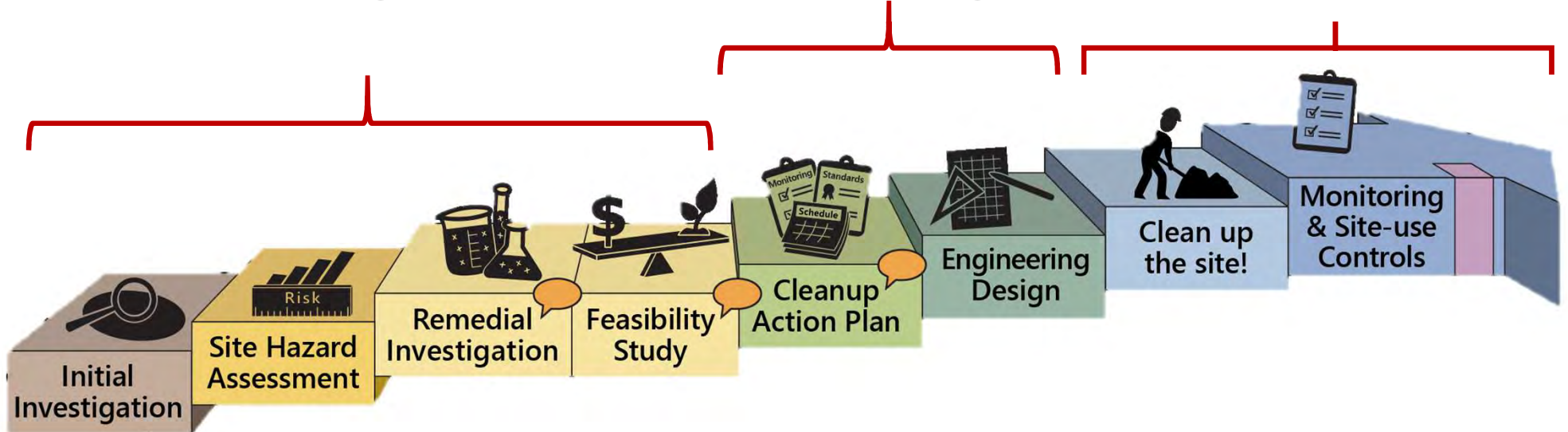
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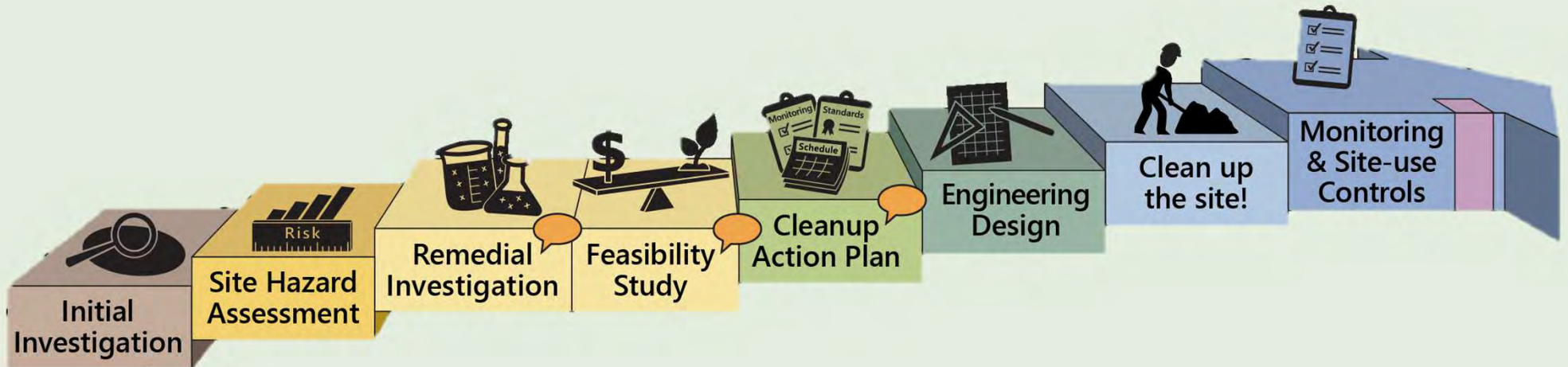
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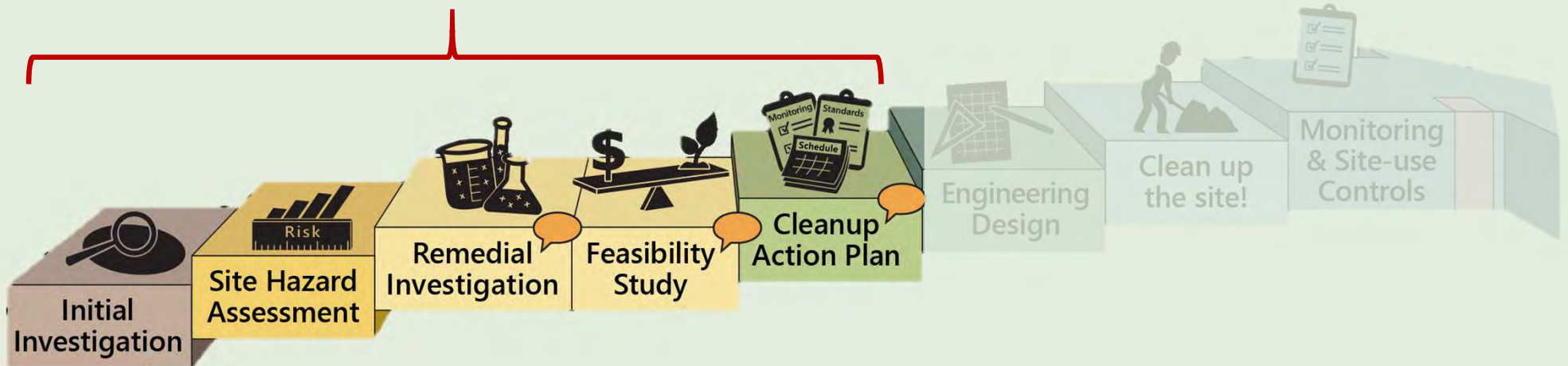
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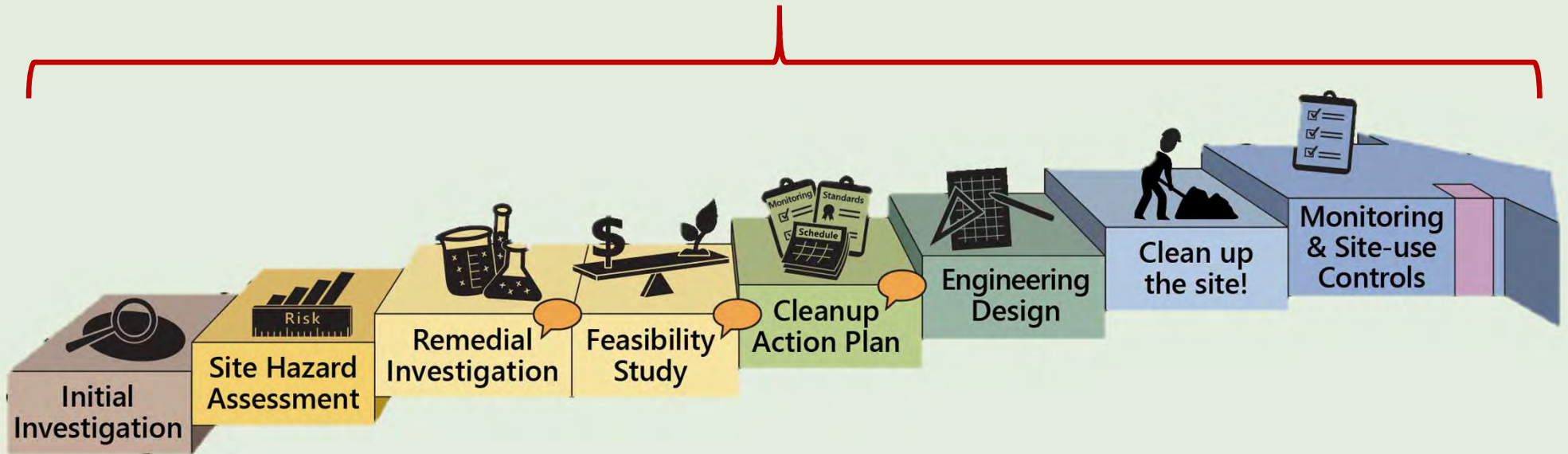


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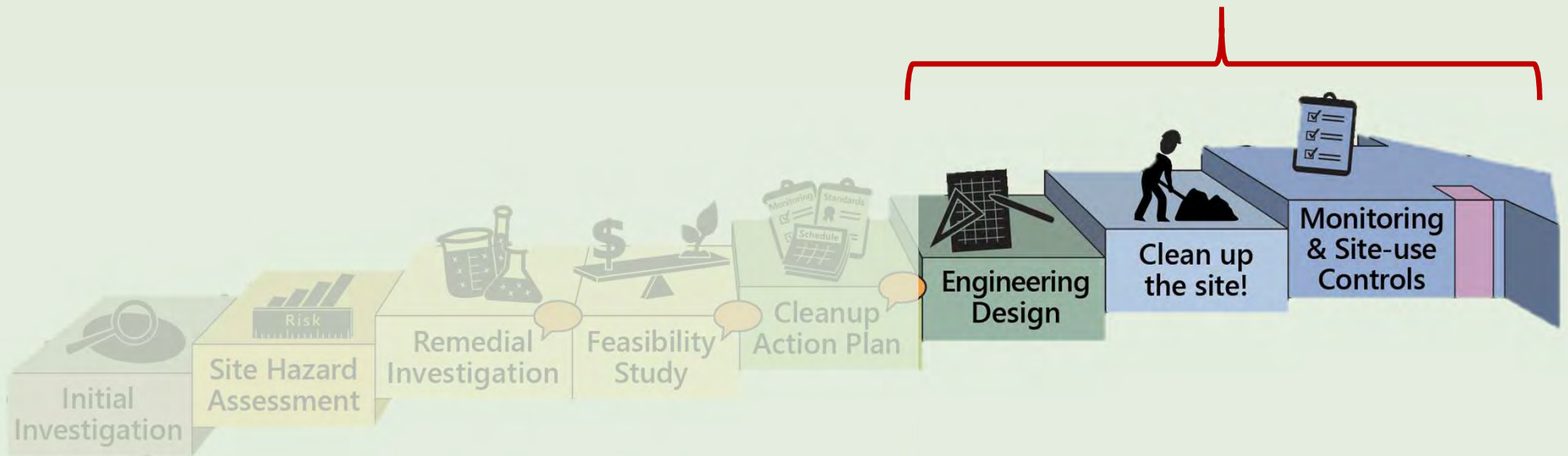
Ecology Integrated Planning Grants



# Ecology cleanup funding



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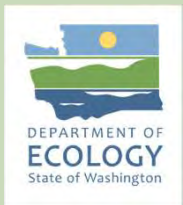
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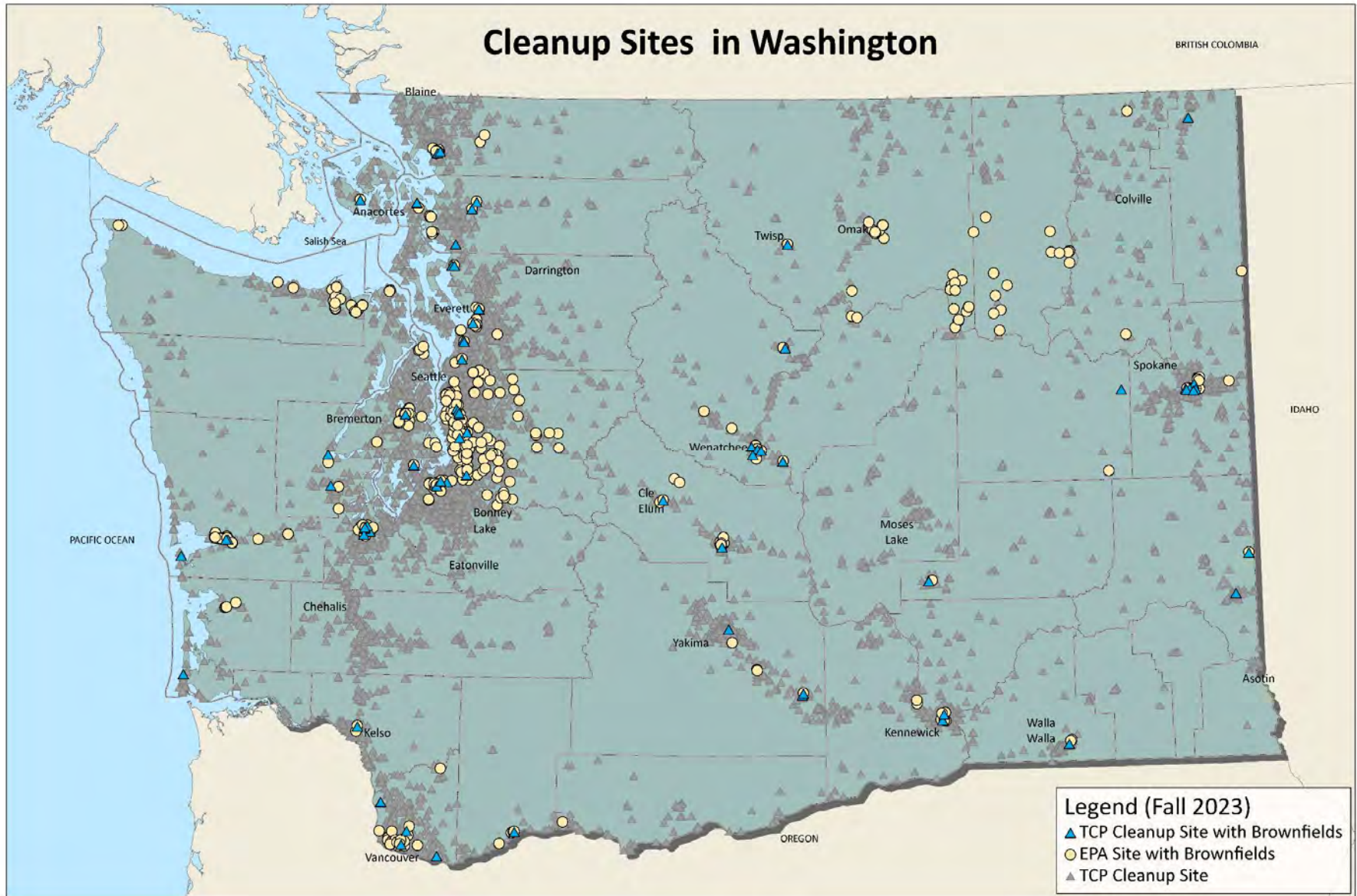
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# Cleanup Sites in Washington



What keeps you from  
applying for brownfields cleanup funding?

## Some of the reasons we've heard...

Too hard to apply.

We're a small city with no grant manager.

We've heard horror stories about regulatory agencies.

If we did get money from Ecology, what are our next steps?


I know nothing about environmental cleanup – who can help?

## **We want to know...**

1. What would encourage more site investigations?
2. How can we help keep you on the path to cleanup?

**Please introduce yourself to your  
neighborhood.**

1. Your name
2. Your organization or local government
3. Are you moving forward with a brownfield now or considering it?



**Quick icebreaker**

**In your role, what's important to you?**

**What's most important to your community?**



## Discussion & notecards

**What roadblocks are keeping you from cleaning up your brownfield right now?**

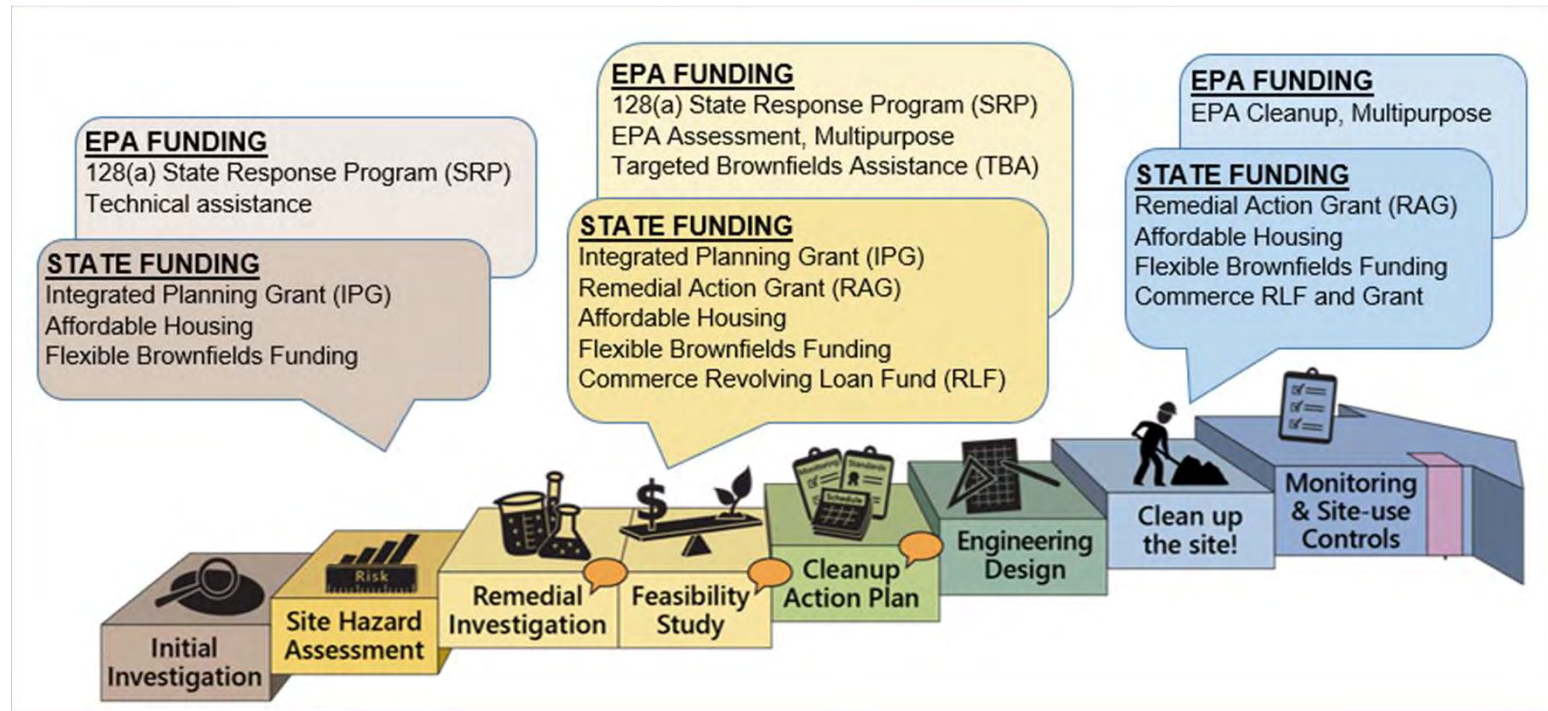




**Report out:**

**What's the scoop?**

**Good news!**  
**We have resources!**



## **Next steps**

1. Continue the discussion at the Exhibit Table.
2. (Sign up for our newsletter there too!)
3. Watch for a follow-up survey in the newsletter.
4. We'll incorporate your feedback...
5. ...and report back to you at the next IACC.

# Contact us or stop by Oscar the Grouch's table!

**WA State Dept. of Ecology**  
Brownfields Program

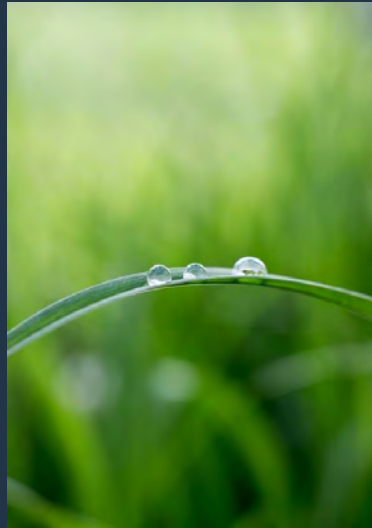
[ecology.wa.gov/brownfields](http://ecology.wa.gov/brownfields)

**Environmental Protection Agency**  
Brownfields Region 10

[epa.gov/brownfields/epa-region-10-contact-list](http://epa.gov/brownfields/epa-region-10-contact-list)

**WA State Dept. of Commerce**  
Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund

[commerce.wa.gov/serving-communities/brownfields-revolving-loan-fund/](http://commerce.wa.gov/serving-communities/brownfields-revolving-loan-fund/)



#brownfields cleanup

Thank you!

