

News from U.S. Rep. John Spratt (D-SC)
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Spratt Announces Brownfields Pilot

WASHINGTON – U.S. Rep. John Spratt (D-SC) announced today that the Environmental Protection Agency has selected the Catawba Regional Council of Governments (CRCOG) for a Brownfields Assessment Pilot in the amount of \$200,000.

CRCOG – an association of the York, Chester, Lancaster, and Union county governments – has identified more than 21 potential brownfield sites in all four counties and expects to identify more during the inventory phase of the pilot.

“The majority of sites identified thus far are underused, abandoned, or demolished textile mills, and dilapidated residences that surround them,” said Spratt. “The Pilot will allow CRCOG to identify the brownfields in the area, determine the environmental conditions, and develop cleanup plans.”

Spratt said activities planned as part of the Pilot include:

- Taking an inventory of brownfield sites in the four-county area;
- Involving local communities in decisions during the inventory and planning phase;
- Conducting environmental assessments; and
- Helping local governments develop cleanup plans.

Because the cooperative agreement for the Pilot has not yet been negotiated, the activities described above are subject to change.

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