



Spirit Lake Tribal EPA Tribal Response Program Brownfields Cleanup Projects

7 Burned Down Air Base Homes, Spirit Lake Nation, ND

The seven abandoned properties have burnt to the ground and present a potential health and safety hazard to the people who live, work and frequent the area. The structures also present potential impacts to the environment. The Tribal EPA Brownfields Program has completed a Phase I & II Assessment/clean up at each site. Due to the types and ages of the units and similarity with other structures in the area, the Sites are likely to have asbestos containing materials and lead based paint.

Asbestos and lead are the main concerns at the Relocatable units on the Spirit Lake Reservation. The Spirit Lake Tribe hired IECIS Group from Minnesota a certified Contractor to conduct the cleanup of asbestos and lead in each burnt housing unit, of which consisted of separating and removing any material suspected to contain the asbestos, disposal of asbestos in approved landfill, recycling and disposing the demolition debris in demolition landfill. The excavation was subcontracted out to an enrolled member, which created 3 jobs for this project.

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The locations of the seven abandoned properties are:

- Debris Pile #1 (burned down structure), Ross Acres
- Debris Pile #2 (burned down structure), Ross Acres
- Debris Pile #3 (burned down structure), Ross Acres
- Graffiti House, Ross Acres
 - Photo #3 before cleanup
- Debris Pile #4 (burned down structure/open dump), Rolling Hills
 - Photo #4 post cleanup
- 201 Bellile Road (burned down structure/open dump), St. Michael
 - Photo #1 & #2 Before and after cleanup
- 7966 39th Street (burned down structure/open dump), St. Michael

Photo #1



Photo #2



Photo #3



Photo #4

