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Carrie has been a member of the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy's (EGLE) Brownfield Redevelopment team for over 15 years, first as a Brownfield Coordinator and now as the Program Manager. She has worked with consultants, developers, and local units of government throughout the state to support local projects with brownfield incentives. Carrie is also active in the national brownfield arena, where she serves as chair of the ASTSWMO Brownfield Focus Group.

Carrie has experience in both the public and private sectors, having worked in local government and consulting prior to joining EGLE. She is a licensed professional engineer and obtained a B.S. in Civil/Environmental Engineering from Michigan Technological University.

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Ryan is the Supervisor of the EGLE Brownfield Redevelopment Unit, assisting brownfield coordinators and communities find solutions to redevelopment challenges. Prior to joining EGLE in 2016, Ryan spent several years in environmental consulting, serving clients throughout Michigan and managing diverse environmental programs. He utilizes this background to provide perspective for communities and developers with technical, financial, and regulatory redevelopment matters. Ryan holds a B.S. in Natural Resource Ecology from the University of Michigan.

**Aaron Assmann, Brownfield Coordinator, Cadillac District**

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Aaron joined the Brownfield Redevelopment Unit in 2022 as the Brownfield Coordinator for the Cadillac District which includes Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Lake, Leelanau, Manistee, Mason, Missaukee, Osceola, and Wexford counties. He joined EGLE's Remediation and Redevelopment Division in 2017 as a Field Operations Analyst. Before working with EGLE, Aaron lived in Anchorage, Alaska working in oil and gas with BP Alaska as an environmental compliance advisor. While earning his education, he also worked as a seasonal Biological Technician at Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore. Aaron

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Michelle has been a Brownfield Coordinator in the EGLE Brownfield Redevelopment Program since 2013. She works in the Warren District office where she covers Macomb, Oakland, and St. Clair counties. She has over twenty-six years of experience with EGLE, including brownfield grants and loans, compliance and enforcement, and project management. Michelle received her B.S. from Michigan State University in Environmental Science and Public Policy.

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Jeanine joined the brownfield staff in 2017 as our secretary/administrative assistant. In addition to keeping the paperwork flowing, Jeanine also helps process FOIA records for the Brownfield Section. She previously worked with automotive warranties at both the dealership and corporate levels. Jeanine received a B.A. in English from Madonna University.

**Holden Branch, Brownfield Coordinator, Jackson District**  
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Holden joined the Brownfield Redevelopment Unit in 2017 as the Brownfield Coordinator for the Jackson District which includes Hillsdale, Jackson, Lenawee, Monroe, and Washtenaw counties. Before coming to work at EGLE, he spent two years working at the Lenawee County Conservation District. While there, he worked closely with Producers to help mitigate environmental risks in order to environmentally verify their farms. Prior to working at the Lenawee County Conservation District, he worked at the Huron Pines Office in Gaylord on invasive species and habitat restoration. Holden earned two B.A. degrees in Biology and Environmental Science, with a minor in Geology from Adrian College.

## **Heath Bobick, Brownfield Coordinator, Bay City District**

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Heath joined the Brownfield Redevelopment Unit in 2021 as the Brownfield Coordinator for the Bay City District which includes Arenac, Bay, Clare, Gladwin, Huron, Iosco, Isabella, Midland, Ogemaw, Saginaw, Sanilac, and Tuscola counties. Prior to joining EGLE, he worked in environmental consulting for over 8 years. During that time, he gained experience with Phase I and Phase II environmental assessments, UST removals, soil remediation, air quality monitoring, asbestos and hazardous material inspections, bidding specification activities, HASP development, and environmental and regulatory reporting. He has worked on numerous Brownfield Redevelopment Grant projects. Heath earned his B.S. in Technology and Project Management specializing in Environmental Science from Eastern Michigan University.

## **Dan Gough, Brownfield Coordinator, Wayne County**

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Dan coordinates brownfield projects in Wayne County and is the Act 381 Point of Contact for the Department. He joined the EGLE brownfield staff in 2016, but has been involved in brownfield redevelopment since 2012, serving as the former chair of the Ingham County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority's Board of Directors and as a member of the Ingham County Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors. Dan was a research assistant at Public Policy Associates, Inc., a Lansing-based policy research, development, and consulting firm, where he worked on a number of projects and provided support to the Michigan Sense of Place Council.

Dan holds a B.S. in Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Science – Environmental Policy and a M.S. in Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics from Michigan State University.

## **Abbie Hanson, Brownfield Coordinator, Marquette District**

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Abbie joined the Brownfield Team in 2021 as the Marquette District Brownfield Coordinator covering the entire Upper Peninsula which includes Alger, Baraga, Chippewa, Delta, Dickinson, Gogebic, Houghton, Iron, Keweenaw, Luce, Mackinac, Marquette, Menominee, Ontonagon, and Schoolcraft counties. Prior to working for EGLE, Abbie was employed as a biologist for an environmental non-profit in Marquette, where she worked closely with local, state, and federal partners to coordinate and implement on-the-ground watershed protection and habitat improvement projects throughout the Upper Peninsula and the Upper Great Lakes region. Abbie holds both a B.S. and M.S. in Biology from Northern Michigan University.



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Jeff joined the Brownfield team in 2005 and primarily works on administrative and policy related issues associated with Brownfield Grants and Loans. He was a Brownfield Coordinator for 10 years, working with communities in the Upper Peninsula, Lansing, and Jackson Districts. Jeff serves on the EGLE Outgoing Grants Team and the Remediation and Redevelopment Division Incremental Sampling Technical and Program Support Team. Jeff also administers the EGLE

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Doug joined the Brownfield team in 2022. Prior to joining EGLE, Doug held a variety of positions that served the community and protected, preserved, or enhanced land resources. Doug worked for more than two decades for non-profit land conservancies in Michigan, most of that in a leadership role. He has also served in several government positions including environmental education, local government planning, wetlands, and real estate management.

He obtained a B.S. in Biology from Calvin College and a M.A. in Geography from the University of Georgia.

**Julie Lowe, Brownfield Coordinator, Gaylord District**

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Julie joined the Brownfield Redevelopment Unit in 2016 and currently serves as the Brownfield Coordinator for the Gaylord District which includes Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, and Roscommon counties. She came to our staff from the EGLE Water Resources Division where she worked assisting permit holders with the MiWaters Database, technical compliance questions and conducted inspections at facilities through the Gaylord District.

Julie is a native Michigander, but spent seven years working in Olympia, Washington at the Washington State Department of Ecology as an environmental planner. Prior to moving to Washington, Julie worked in environmental consulting. She holds a B.S. in Environmental Conservation from Northern Michigan University and a M.S. in Urban and Regional Planning from Eastern Michigan University.

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Jolene is the statewide MSHDA Redevelopment Specialist for the Division and serves as the EGLE point of contact for MSHDA redevelopment projects. Prior to this position, she worked as a Marquette District Project Manager for the Part 213 and Part 201 programs and spent 9 years as an environmental consultant. She has a diverse background in due diligence, site investigation and characterization, project management, and collaboration with private, public, and regulatory stakeholders. Jolene is a licensed professional geologist and holds a B.S. in Geoscience from Winona State University and an M.S. in Geology from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

**Janet Michaluk, Central Staff Coordinator**

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Janet joined the EGLE Brownfield Team in 2016. Coming to EGLE from consulting, she has over 15 years of experience as a redevelopment and environmental professional including brownfield redevelopment, economic incentives, environmental due diligence, remediation, and quality assurance/quality control. Janet has helped successfully redevelop dozens of brownfield properties throughout Michigan, using innovative approaches to protect human health and the environment and creatively layering incentives to bring public and private funding sources together. Janet received her B.S. in Natural Resources and Economics from Michigan State University, and a M.B.A. from Keller Graduate School.

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Jeff is the Communications Representative for the Remediation and Redevelopment Division. Before joining EGLE in January of 2023 he spent 25 years in Lansing television news, serving as Assignment Manager and Producer at WLAJ, as a Producer at WSYM, and as Executive Producer at WILX where he was part of a team that was twice named the Michigan Association of Broadcasters Station of the Year. He graduated from St. Joseph's College with a B.S. in Mass Communications.

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Andrea is the Brownfield Coordinator for the Grand Rapids District Office which includes Barry, Ionia, Kent, Mecosta, Montcalm, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana, and Ottawa counties. Prior to joining EGLE in 2018, she worked in the private sector as an environmental consultant. While working as a consultant, she served a variety of clients across Michigan and occasionally other nearby mid-west states. Clients consisted of individuals, corporations, lending institutions, and government agencies. Andrea also has over 15 years of customer service experience which includes both her consulting work and work at financial institutions. She received a B.S. in Geology from Grand Valley State University.

## **Ron Smedley, Redevelopment Coordinator, United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Programs**

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Ron has worked in EGLE's Remediation and Redevelopment programs since 2000. His previous EGLE experience included the former Storage Tank Division and tracking and reporting for the State Funded Cleanup program. Since 2001, Ron has been involved in supporting U.S. EPA funding for brownfield projects throughout the state and has managed numerous brownfield grant and loan projects.

Ron manages the U.S. EPA 128(a) brownfield grant, including the brownfield site assessment program, and provides oversight on petroleum sites for U.S. EPA grantees. He has presented on brownfield redevelopment topics at both statewide and national conferences and is a Certified Economic Developer. Ron has a B.A. in Political Science from Michigan State University and a M.S. in Environmental Policy and Planning from Indiana University-Bloomington.

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Sarah joined the Brownfield Team in October of 2021 as the Brownfield Coordinator for the Lansing District, which includes Clinton, Eaton, Genesee, Gratiot, Ingham, Lapeer, Livingston, and Shiawassee counties. Sarah has worked for EGLE for over 6 years, first in the Water Resource Division and most recently as a Remediation and Redevelopment Division Part 201/213 project manager in the Warren District Office. She has experience conducting environmental cleanups and has worked closely with consultants, local, state, and federal partners on numerous projects. Sarah received her B.S. from the University of Michigan-Dearborn.