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Prior to the CC's March 8 meeting, please investigate your county's policies and code so that we can compile "institutional controls" that address brownfields in your county. Ideally, you'll have some info compiled, and then in the meeting we can discuss any questions, and clarify next steps for getting everything together (like getting me in touch with the right person at the county or to an online resource).

The information we want to compile is intended to lead to three activities related to other project tasks:

- Incorporate Environmental Site Assessments into existing databases of mine-impacted and other contaminated sites.
- Reference and address existing controls in Site Cleanup Plans.
- Consider additional controls that would support regional planning such as: (a) evaluating construction projects for brownfield status and ESA records; (b) requiring a Phase I ESA for tax-foreclosed properties with observed environmental impairment prior to public auction, for which the cost would be recovered in the auction price; and (c) updating county-wide hazardous sites maps used by local permitting agencies.

Institutional controls could include any/all of the following:

- A deed restriction or other requirement to prevent disturbing inactive mine features including mine waste piles (overburden, waste rock, tailings), processing areas such as furnaces and retorts, without first assessing potential chemical threats.
- A general requirement in the county code that all mine waste areas be maintained in such a manner as to prevent erosion (ie vegetated and stabilized using BMPs). Maybe this is already addressed by existing erosion control requirements??
- A deed restriction or other instrument requiring that free access to mine features be prevented (this would be implemented through posting signs, and installing and maintaining gates).

Typical controls relevant for brownfield site cleanup plans (that we should compile for reference) include:

- Drilling permits
- Air quality permits
- Biological assessments
- Building permits
- Grading plans and permits
- Storm water plans and permits
- Transportation plans (hazardous waste disposal)
- Health and safety plans
- Zoning restrictions
- Noise and traffic (probably addressed in various county ordinances)

