# Dig It: Reusing Contaminated Soils in the UK and US

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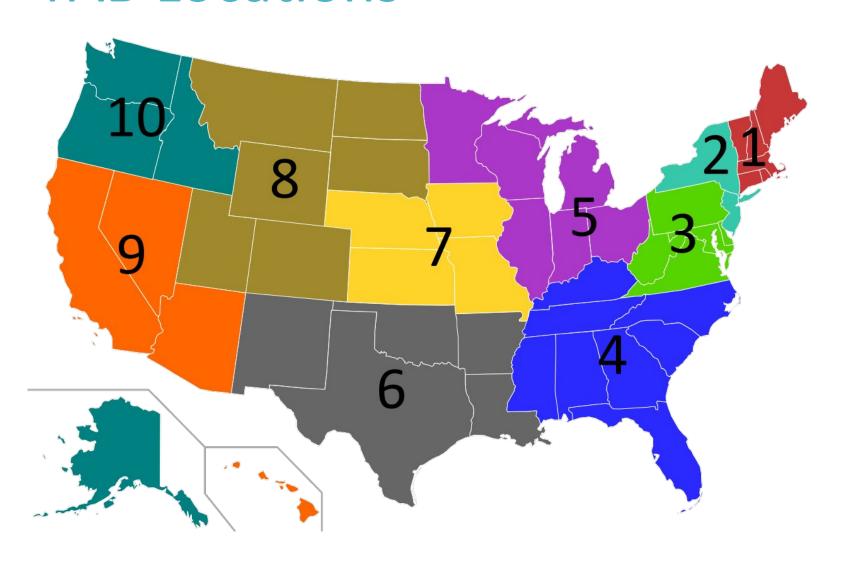
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## Today's Presenters



Martha Faust is the Executive Director of Minnesota Brownfields and has been with the organization since 2008. She directs the organization's overall strategy, programming, partnership initiatives as well as providing support to the Board of Directors, Advisory and other committees. Recent work includes publication of a report quantifying the economic, environmental, and social benefits of brownfield cleanup and reuse. Martha previously worked as a Planner for the City of St. Paul Department of Planning & Economic Development. Martha holds a Master's degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Minnesota's Humphrey School of Public Affairs, and a Bachelors of Arts in Economics and French from the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota.



**Nick Willenbrock** has professional experience in both contaminated land consultancy and remediation contracting. He is the joint manager of CL:AIRE an NGO which support the sustainable reuse of land and is the national lead manager of The Definition of Waste: Development Industry Code of Practice (DoW CoP). The DoW CoP provides a clear, consistent and efficient process which enables the reuse of excavated materials on-site or their movement between sites. Use of the DoW CoP supports the sustainable and cost-effective management development of land, especially brownfields in England & Wales. It provides an alternative to Environmental Permits or Waste Exemptions. He is an active member of the Geological Society of London, and has further interests and experience in sustainability assessments and the development of standards and training for the land management sector.

## U.S. Fill Efforts Today

## Policy & Research:

ASTSWMO Focus Group Report

Soils Reuse Workgroup (NEWMOA)

MNB Soil Reuse Study

#### Logistics:

Fill Exchange/Transfer

NYC Clean Soil Bank

**Dredge Programs** 

## State Efforts & Programs:

Ohio Massachusetts Minnesota New York Pennsylvania







#### **Economic & Environmental Drivers**

#### **DIGAND DUMP**



Current barriers to urban fill reuse encourage developers to "dig and dump," hauling excess soil to a landfill and paying to bring clean fill to the site.

### HIDDEN COSTS OF DIG AND DUMP



- Transportation and fuel costs
- Wear and tear on roads
- · Cost to import clean fill
- Public grant money often spent primarily on dig and dump
- Excess soil takes up landfill space

#### SAVINGS From recycling fill



Off-site reuse can result in savings compared to the cost of landfill disposal. With these savings, public grant funds go further, promoting further redevelopment.







## Challenges



#### Standards Development

Must ensure fill re-use is safe, does not negatively impact disadvantaged communities, is not misused.

#### Liability Relief

Provide soil importers/exporters with liability assurance for proper fill re-use

## Facilitating Exchange

Need mechanism to exchange (and store?) fill soils between redevelopment projects.









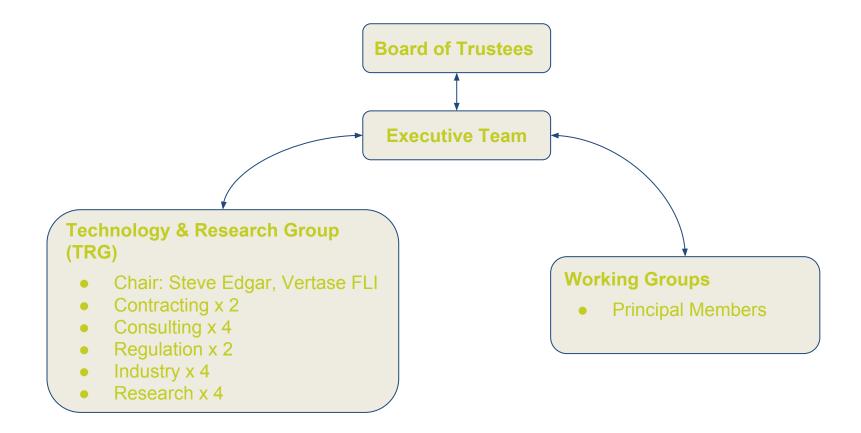








## Structure of CL:AIRE











#### **Supporter Members**

ABO Group	Ecologia	Peter Brett Associates LLP
Advisian (WorleyParsons Group)	Environmental Scientifics	r3 Environmental Technology Ltd
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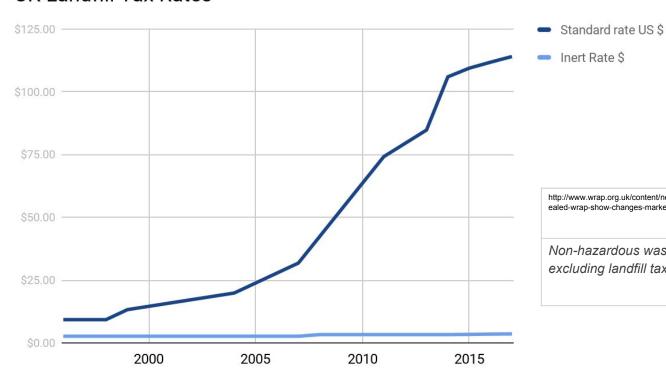


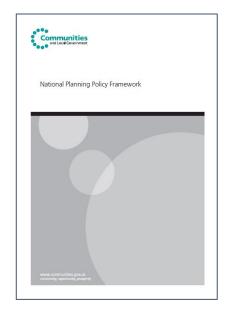




## Incentives

#### **UK Landfill Tax Rates**





http://www.wrap.org.uk/content/new-gate-fees-rev ealed-wrap-show-changes-market	Median	Range
Non-hazardous waste excluding landfill tax	£19	£8 to £62
	\$25	\$11 to \$82





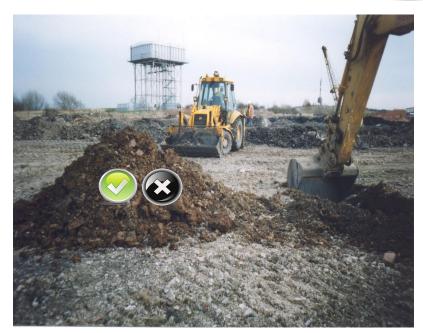


## Purpose of the DoW CoP

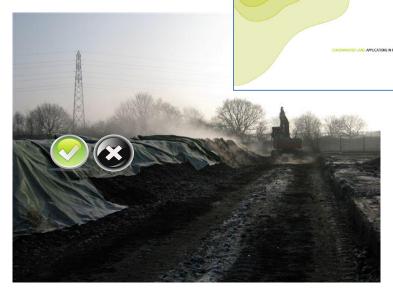
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**Site Specific** 



**Following Treatment** 

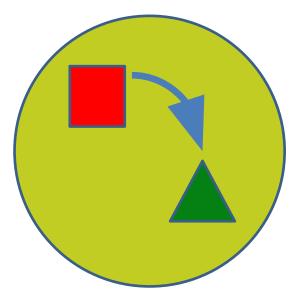




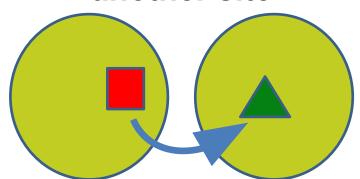


Hydrock

The Definition of Waste: Development Industry Code of Practice



Excavation & reuse of material – on site or on another site





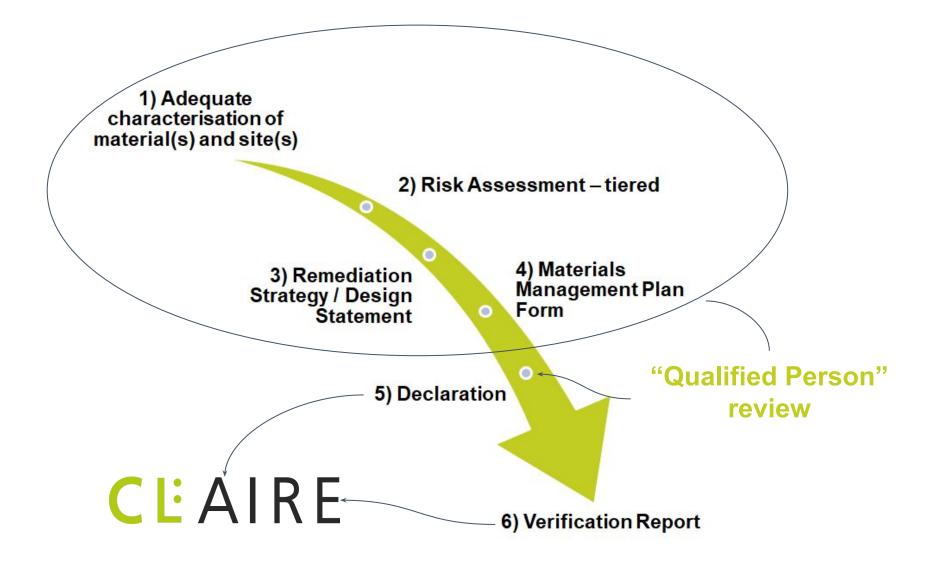


Brownfield & greenfield sites - contaminated or clean







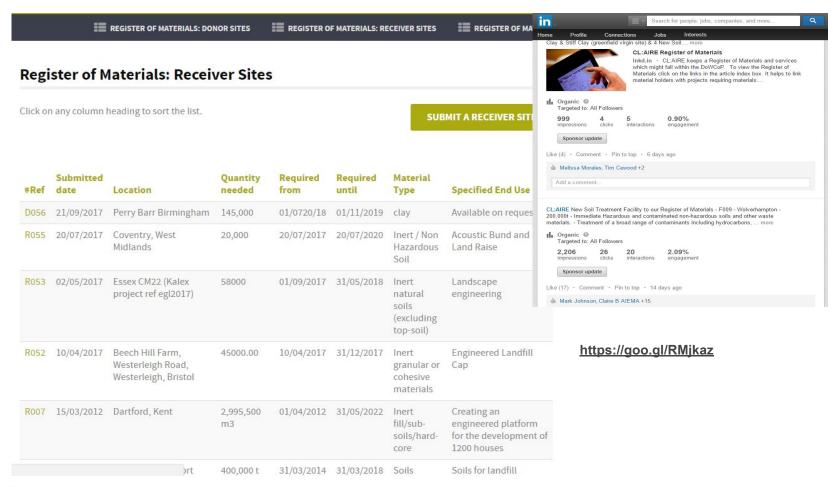








## **CL:AIRE** Register of Materials









## **DoW CoP Adoption**

Declarations = 3,293



# QPs = 266



Vol. Materials = 56,106,448m<sup>3</sup>

Since launch in Sept 2008 to end 2017:

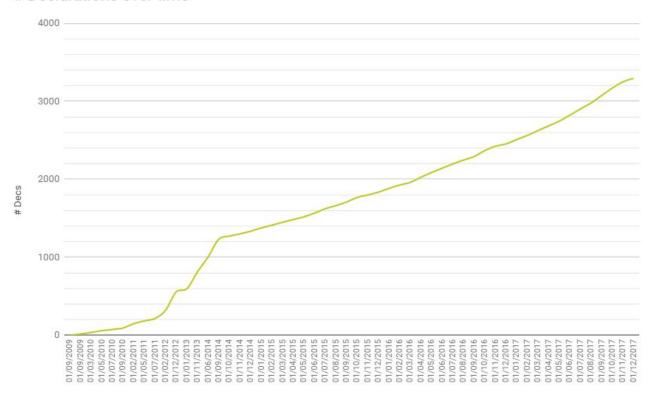






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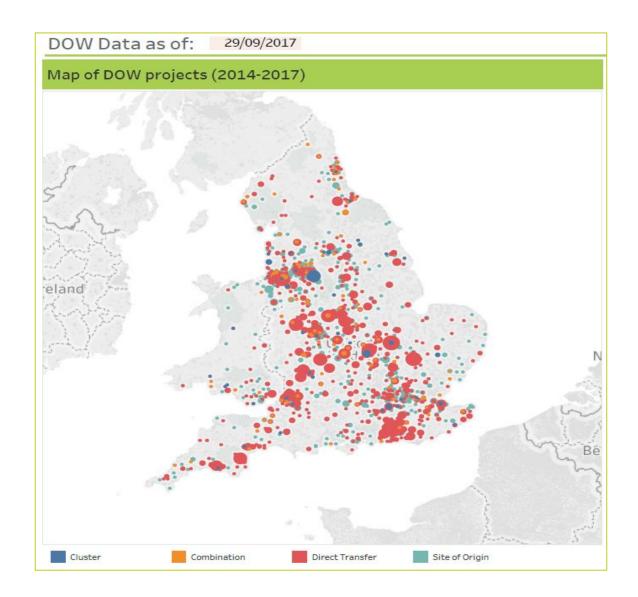
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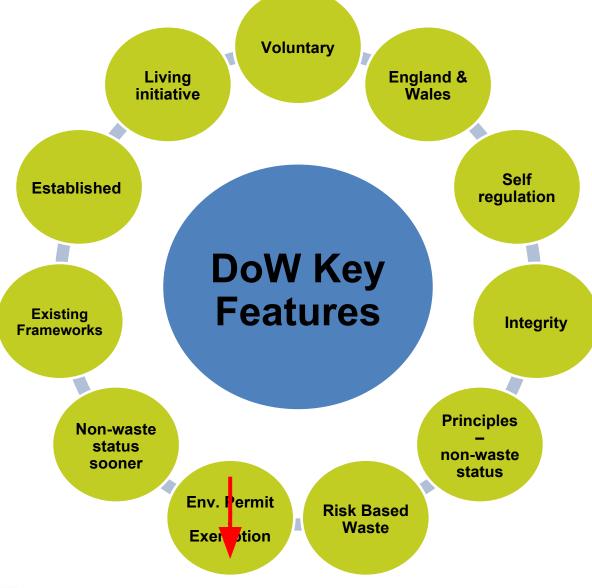


















## If we could do it all again....?

- Introduction of fees
- Standards, standards
  - Qualified Persons
  - Users
  - Regularised auditing
- Negative value materials
- Greater ambition the original mission
- Look to other industries







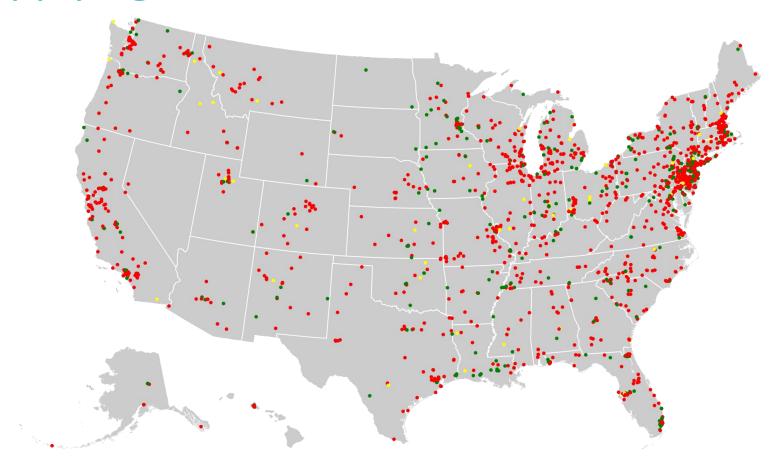
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## Applying the CL:AIRE Model in the U.S.









## Questions / Comments?







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