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[July 19, 2012] —The Waldo County Commissioners have been searching for some time for funds to perform remediation assessment on the Old County Jail and Old Jailer's House (former Waldo County Sheriff's Office).

Recently, after reading a news article about potential funding opportunities, Commissioner William Shorey (District 2) spoke with Representative James Gillway of Searsport and a meeting was arranged with Eastern Maine Development Corporation. During that meeting, it was decided that Attorney Andrew Hamilton of Eaton Peabody in Bangor would assist the County in submitting a Brownfields Assessment Program Site Nomination Form to the City of Belfast. After multiple phone calls between Commissioner Shorey, County Clerk Barbara Arseneau and Attorney Andrew Hamilton, the form was submitted to the City of Belfast.

The City of Belfast Brownfields Selection Committee reviews these applications and on July 19, 2012, Economic Development Director Thomas Kittredge informed the County that the application was approved, contingent upon MEDEP and EPA approval.

Ransom Consulting Engineers and Scientists performs the assessments for the City of Belfast and the County will be working with them in the near future.

This is the first in a series of steps to obtain a full grant for assessment and remediation of the Old County Jail and Jailer's House.