# ASSOCIATION OF STATE AND TERRITORIAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT OFFICIALS (ASTSWMO)

Mission: To enhance and promote effective State and Territorial programs and to affect relevant national policies for waste and materials management, environmentally sustainable practices, and environmental restoration.

#### INTRODUCING THE TANKS SUBCOMMITTEE

The Tanks Subcommittee includes four Task Forces that are composed of State and Territorial (State) government officials from throughout the country and represent the interests of the State UST programs. Each Task Force consists of one State representative from each of the EPA's 10 Regions who represent the other States in their Regions in addition to their own States. The Tanks Subcommittee and its Task Forces work closely with federal officials at U.S. EPA's Office of Underground Storage Tanks (OUST), Office of Research and Development (ORD), and other State and private associations for the protection of human health and the environment.



#### Release Prevention Task Force

- ◆ Represents the interests of State programs overseeing compliance with leak prevention requirements.
- Works closely with States and EPA to review technical guidance and specifications, and develops and implement innovative
  UST management strategies with the goal of increasing operational compliance with UST regulations.



# Leaking Underground Storage Tank Task Force

- ◆ Represents the unique concerns of State programs responsible for oversight, investigation, remediation, and closure of releases of regulated substances from USTs.
- ◆ Acts as a resource for distributing technical information and ideas among State LUST regulatory officials



## State Fund – Financial Responsibility Task Force

- ◆ Identifies and addresses State concerns and issues related to the availability of funding for petroleum cleanup and liability.
- ◆ Works in close coordination with EPA officials to monitor the financial assurance mechanisms used by States and private parties to finance LUST cleanups.



## Emerging Issues Task Force

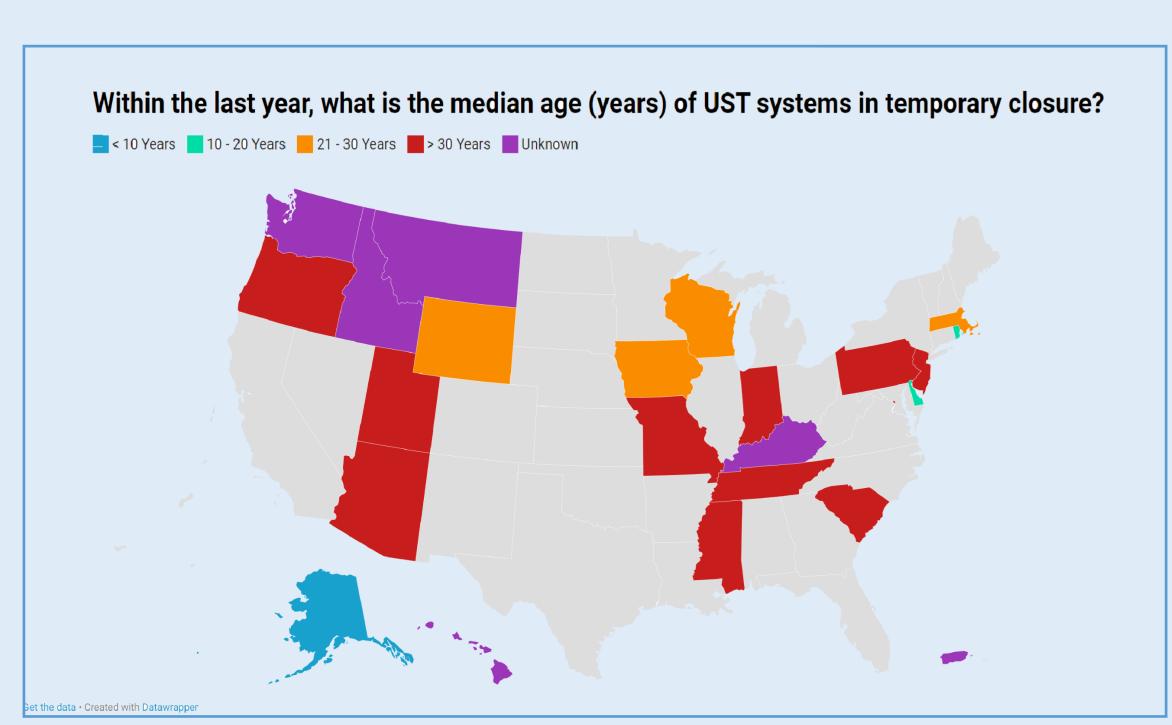
- ◆ Identifies new and emerging issues that may impact program management of UST release prevention, cleanup, and financial assurance programs.
- ◆ Provides resources and information associated with these issues to States to help guide strategic policies and efforts.



#### Available Tools and Resources

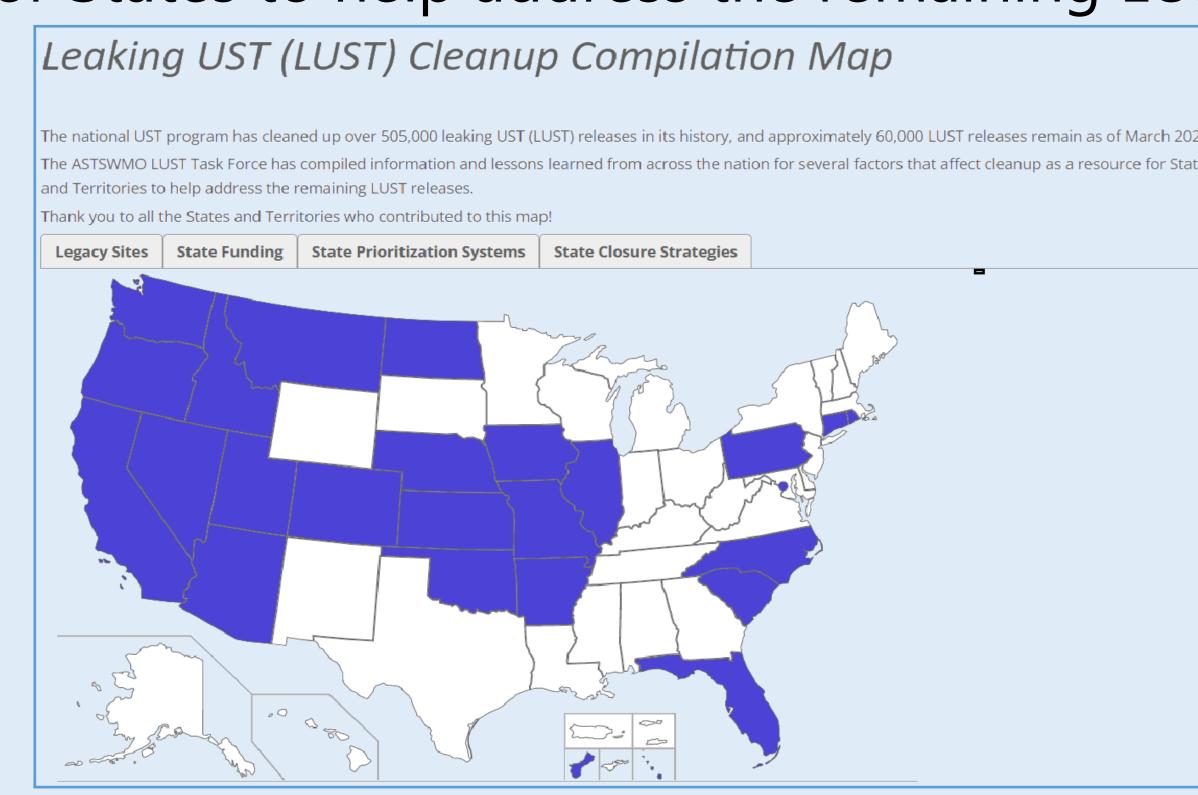
#### Temporary Closure (Out of Service Tanks) Requirements Session

The Release Prevention Task Force and EPA OUST provided brief presentations about temporary closure requirements, including the results of a recent information request that gathered data from



#### Leaking UST (LUST) Cleanup Compilation Map

The LUST Task Force has compiled information and lessons learned from across the nation for several factors that affect cleanup as a resource for States to help address the remaining LUST releases.



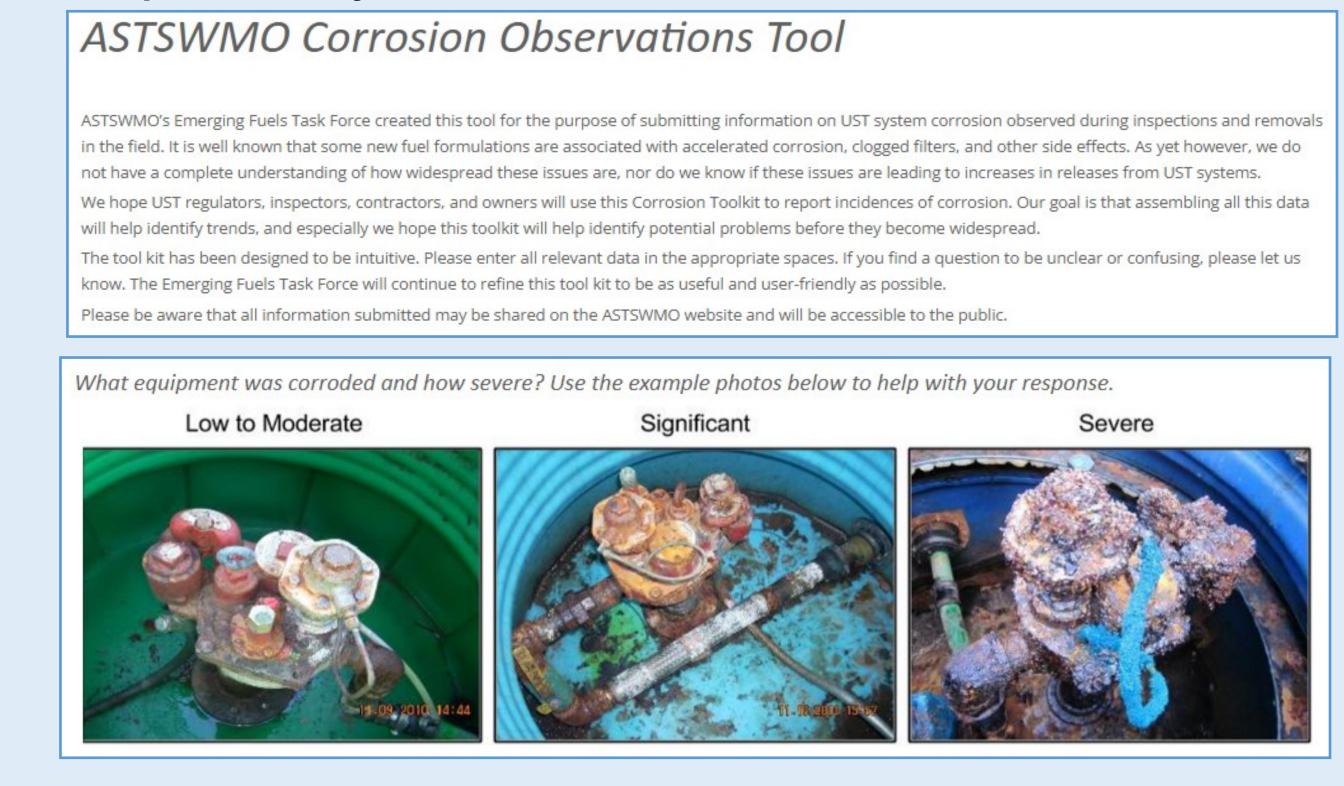
#### **2021 Annual Tanks Update**

An annual survey of all State Financial Assurance Fund programs that provides results on their design characteristics, funding, and fund activity.



#### Emerging Fuels Resources Webpage

This webpage provides several resources developed by the Emerging Issues Task Force and others to assist State UST programs with corrosion and compatibility issues and concerns.



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