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**Recommendation: Recommends integrating the community's core** values and long-term goals for economic development.

**Background:** The mission of the Department of Energy (DOE) Environmental Management Program (EM) includes environmental remediation of numerous facilities, and their return to beneficial use. Each site is an investment of unique assets and liabilities. Making assets available for future land use involves a case-by case evaluation, which includes the ability to complete the EM mission at the site, and cause a return of investment of the particular land use opportunity recommended. At any site, completing the EM mission is strongly influenced by the level of funding, and state and local support. Essential to maintaining such support is continuation of an enhanced level of funding that enables the DOE to meet existing environmental commitments, and advance options for follow-on missions, e.g. energy parks, technical learning institutions, laboratories, etc. Completing site remediation reduces the EM "footprint," making more facilities available for other national and local needs.

Relevant energy park technologies include but are not limited to, wind, solar, biomass, nuclear power, desalinization, geothermal, liquefied natural gas transfer stations, hydrogen generation, central-station coal power with carbon sequestration, and specialty manufacturing capability.

**Recommendation:** The Portsmouth EM Site Specific Advisory Board supports and recommends integrating the community's core values and long-term goals for economic development in southern Ohio with regard to opportunities associated with advanced energy and environmental technology projects at the Portsmouth Site as an end use objective and with regard to related DOE /EM and D&D planning activities.