If you are buying commercial property, conducting a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment is a prudent business decision. AEI has compiled a useful checklist to make sure you cover all your bases.

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	Complete a Records Review Obtain and review records of the property to assess its use and analyze past activities that could lead to contaminations.	
	Records to review include: ☐ Standard Federal, State, and Tribal Environmental Record Sources ☐ Regulatory Agency File and Records ☐ Land Titles ☐ Maps and Geological Surveys ☐ Historical Use Documents (aerial photographs, fire insurance maps, property tax files, recorded land title records, topographic maps, local street directories, building department records, zoning/land use records, etc.)	
	Perform a Site Visit Visit the site to gather information that would indicate the likelihood of identifying recognized environmental conditions in connection with the property.	
	Inspect: □ Buildings' Interior and Exterior □ Current and Past Business Use □ Adjoining Properties □ Hazardous Substances and Petroleum Products □ Tanks and Storage Containers □ Stains and Drainage Systems □ Bodies of Water and Vegetation	
	Conduct Interviews Gather additional information by conducting interviews with people who are connected to the property.	
	 Interview: □ Past and Present Owners and Operations of the Property □ Key Site Manager □ Occupants □ State and/or Local Government and Agency Officials 	



■ Write an Evaluation & Report

Deliver the findings and insights - along with any conclusions and recommendations that can be made from the information gathered.

Information in the report should include:

- ☐ Description of Assessed Property
- ☐ Client Relationship
- ☐ Scope of Services
- Summary of Information Gathered
- ☐ Data Gaps (if applicable)
- ☐ Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations
- ☐ Supporting Documentation and References
- Qualifications of Assessor and Signatures



Get a closer look at each component.



AEI is well-established as an industry leader in environmental and building due diligence services, including Phase I Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs). We help our clients implement a Phase I ESA as a critical step in evaluating environmental contamination risks associated with a property.

If you are interested in our due diligence services or have any questions, please reach out to speak with one of our professionals.



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