

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Davidson Asbestos Site Davidson, N.C.



Fact Sheet #4

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Public Meeting

Tuesday, April 4, 2017
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Gethsemane Baptist Church
565 Jetton Street in Davidson

Meeting Details

EPA will host a public meeting to discuss plans to clean up asbestos contamination on some properties near the Davidson Asbestos Site. EPA sampled 77 properties and, of those, 20 were found to require further action. Result letters were distributed to each property owner that gave EPA permission to sample, and the letter indicates whether further action is required or not. If you have questions about your results, please contact EPA Community Involvement Coordinator Angela Miller (contact information on p. 2).

Removal Action to Begin

Sampling results allowed EPA to identify the properties that have soil or fill believed to be associated with the former asbestos manufacturing facility, Carolina Asbestos Company. EPA developed a removal plan to address the asbestos-contaminated soils, which includes: excavating the soil, replacing with clean fill, topping the areas with sod, and restoring areas to their original condition. Temporary relocation of residents will be required on an as-needed basis while removal activities take place. EPA will be scheduling appointments to meet with these residents one-on-one to discuss the details of the temporary relocation.

Air monitoring and air sampling will be conducted during excavation to ensure that dust suppression methods are effective. Driveways or parking lots with visible asbestos material will be removed and replaced with clean gravel. Contaminated materials will be transported and disposed of at an approved, off-site facility.

Lawn Maintenance

EPA started lawn maintenance on the contaminated properties. Properties will be wet prior to cutting. During the first cut, mowers will be wearing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), including special coveralls and respirators. Air samples will be taken and grass clippings will be evaluated. If the samples do not detect asbestos, mowers will discontinue use of the PPE. Clippings will be disposed of at an approved disposal facility. These yards will be cut every two weeks until EPA completes the cleanup of the property.

If your property was sampled and no further action is required, you may resume regular lawn maintenance. If you are unsure of the results for your property or have any questions, please contact Angela Miller (contact information on p. 2).

Public Health Concerns

If you believe you were exposed to any asbestos related to this Site, tell your doctor about your exposure and any symptoms that you may have. The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services also has materials that explain how people may be exposed to asbestos and how it may affect their health (contact information on p. 2).

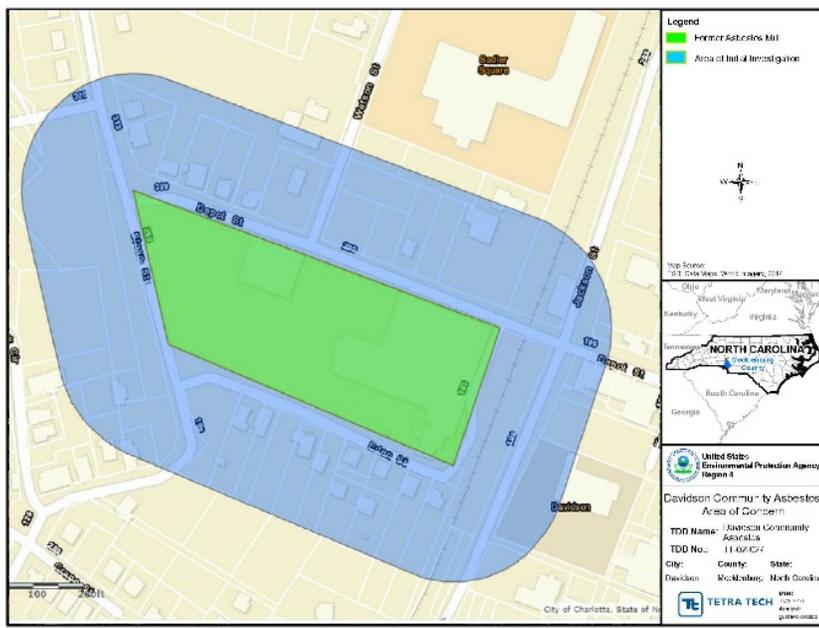
For additional information on health concerns related to asbestos and how to minimize exposure go to:

www.atsdr.cdc.gov/asbestos/

Background

In early November 2016, at the request of North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NC DEQ), EPA began soil testing at residential properties adjacent to the Davidson Depot Site for possible asbestos. EPA offered soil testing at no cost to residents on portions of Eden, Sloan, Depot, Watson and other streets nearest the Site (see map). If your property is within the area of investigation and you would like to have it sampled, please contact Angela Miller.

While preparing to conduct residential soil sampling, EPA identified suspected asbestos-containing material along Eden and Sloan Streets. Subsequent testing confirmed the material contained asbestos. EPA oversaw the removal of this material from the streets.



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