### **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency**

# Davidson Depot Site Davidson, N.C.



Fact Sheet November 2016

# We Need Your Help to Test Soil

EPA is offering free soil testing for possible asbestos to residents closest to the Davidson Depot Site (see blue shaded area of the map). In order to give EPA permission, each property owner must complete the attached access agreement and contact Ken Rhame at (919) 475-7397 or rhame.kenneth@epa.gov to arrange for sampling.

#### **Residential Soil Sampling**

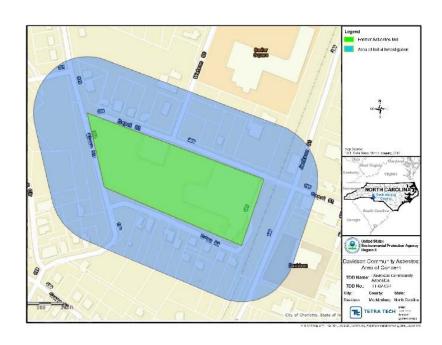
The Site is located at 301 Depot Street in Davidson, N.C., and EPA is offering soil testing at no cost to residents on portions of Eden, Sloan, Depot, Watson and other streets nearest the Site (see map). EPA expects to begin residential soil sampling during the week of November 7, 2016.

The samples will be taken outside and homeowners do not have to be present (though homeowners can request to be present, if desired). You may e-mail the signed access agreement to Ken Rhame or contact him to arrange for pick up.

#### Introduction

At the request of North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NC DEQ), EPA is offering to test soil at residential properties adjacent to the Davidson Depot Site for possible asbestos. More information for residents and homeowners is provided below. The results will determine what, if any, additional response actions are necessary to protect human health and the environment.

While preparing to conduct residential soil sampling, EPA identified suspected asbestos-containing material along Eden and Sloan Streets. The release was the result of a varmint digging into the embankment and a localized area where erosion had occurred. Subsequent testing confirmed the material contained asbestos. EPA oversaw the removal of this material from the streets. More information about the removal action appears on page 2.



Results will be shared with residents approximately 2-3 weeks after the samples are collected. Individual results will be kept confidential and shared directly with homeowners.

#### **Public Health Concerns**

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

#### **Removal Action**

On November 1, 2016, EPA's On-Scene coordinator observed suspected asbestos-containing material (ACM) on Eden and Sloan streets while conducting a walk-through of the neighborhood. EPA collected a sample and notified the Davidson Fire Department. The fire department marked off the area using traffic cones. Sample results confirmed the material was ACM (70% asbestos). On November 2, 2016, EPA oversaw the removal of the material and completed the cleanup that day.



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