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TIP NO: R-5739  
WBS: 50197.1.1  
COUNTY: NORTHAMPTON  
DIVISION 1  
DESCRIPTION: NC 46 From NC 48 in Gaston to the VA State Line

SUBJECT: **GeoEnvironmental Phase I Report**

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The GeoEnvironmental Section of the Geotechnical Engineering Unit performed a Phase I field investigation on January 25, 2022 for the above referenced project to identify geoenvironmental sites of concern. The purpose of this report is to document sites of concern within the project study area that are or may be contaminated. These sites of concern should be included in the environmental planning document in an effort to assist the project stakeholders in reducing or avoiding impacts to these sites. Sites of concern may include, but are not limited to, underground storage tank (UST) sites, dry cleaning facilities, hazardous waste sites, regulated landfills and unregulated dumpsites.

**Findings**

Thirteen (13) sites of concern were identified within the proposed study area. We anticipate low monetary and scheduling impacts resulting from these sites. See the following table and figure for details.

Please note that discovery of additional sites not recorded by regulatory agencies and not reasonably discernible during the project reconnaissance may occur. The GeoEnvironmental Section should be notified immediately after discovery of such sites so their potential impact(s) may be assessed.

Sites of concern identified in this report should be reviewed by the GeoEnvironmental Section once the Final Right of Way plans are complete to determine if Phase II Investigations and Right of Way Recommendations are necessary prior to right of way being acquired.

If there are questions regarding the geoenvironmental issues, please contact me, at (919) 707-6872.

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**(01) Property Name:**

Bradley Property Salvage Yard  
320 NC HWY 46  
Gaston, NC

**Property Owner:**

Edward Johnny Bradley  
320 NC Hwy 46  
Gaston, NC 27832



**Anticipated Impacts: Moderate**

This parcel should be recognized as an unregulated salvage yard. Abandoned and wrecked vehicles, heavy equipment, and various other piles of refuse were observed on site. There are concerns with petroleum and sources for lead contamination at this site.

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**(02) Property Name:**

Sykes Grocery  
739 NC HWY 46  
Gaston, NC

**Property Owner:**

Ethel Sykes  
723 NC HWY 46  
Gaston, NC 27832



**Anticipated Impacts: Low**

This former country store was identified based architecture, location, and in/out parking area. There are no documented incidents associated with this site in the regulatory database. During site reconnaissance no monitoring wells were observed nor was any evidence of underground storage tanks identified.

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**(03) Property Name:**

Old Gaston Road Building  
116 Old Gaston Road  
Gaston, NC

**Property Owner:**

Grover Edwards  
672 Vincent Lane  
Henrico, NC 27842



**Anticipated Impacts: Low**

This site was identified based on architecture, location of the building on the parcel, and electrical wires and a footing located on the parcel. There are no documented incidents associated with this parcel, nor are there any tank registered to this address in the regulatory database. No evidence of underground storage tanks was observed while on site.

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**(04) Property Name:**

Pepsi Building  
2317 NC HWY 46  
Gaston, NC

**Property Owner:**

David Earl Robinson  
139 Hunting Ridge Road  
Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870



**Anticipated Impacts: Low**

Based on the architecture and "Pepsi" advertising of one of the buildings, this parcel was identified. During site reconnaissance, no evidence of USTs was noted nor were any monitoring wells observed. No records of an incident being associated with this parcel were identified in the regulatory database.

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**(05) Property Name:**

Former Captain G's Family Foods #2  
3219 NC HWY 46  
Gaston, NC

**Property Owner:**

Harold Wray  
PO Box P  
Gaston, NC 27832

**Facility ID:** 00-0-0000022393

**UST Owner:**

New Dixie Oil Co  
PO Box 779  
Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

**Incident Type/Number:** 11218



**Anticipated Impacts:** Low

This former gas station/convenience store had four (4) tanks removed between October 1992 and December 1993. The site had soil contamination at the time of closure, and subsequent groundwater samples indicated the groundwater had been impacted as well. During site reconnaissance, no monitoring wells were observed, there was what appeared to be a vent pipe located attached to the building, no other evidence of underground storage tanks were identified. There is a deed restriction on the property and the incident was officially closed out and a Notice of No Further Action was issued in October 2017.

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**(06) Property Name:**

A.R. Moody's Grocery (Pine State)  
3695 NC HWY 46  
Gaston, NC

**Property Owner:**

Larry Robinson  
3695 NC HWY 46  
Gaston, NC 27832



**Anticipated Impacts: Low**

This site once operated as A.R. Moody's Produce and was identified based on architecture and the multi-layered concrete parking area in front of the building. While on site, personnel observed what appeared to be a vent pipe attached to the building. There are no documented incidents recorded in the regulatory database for this site, nor were any monitoring wells observed.

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**(07) Property Name:**

Wray's Sheetmetal LLC  
417 Lawrenceville Road (NC HWY 46)  
Gaston, NC

**Property Owner:**

Harold Wray  
PO Box P  
Gaston, NC 27832



**Anticipated Impacts: Low**

This site was identified because of the two vent pipes attached to the building. There are no registered tanks for this address in the database, nor documented incidents. During site reconnaissance, no underground storage tanks or monitoring wells were observed.

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**(08) Property Name:**

Red Brick Building  
310 Lawrenceville Road  
Gaston, NC

**Property Owner:**

Jeffrey Shane Wright  
312 Lawrenceville Road  
Gaston, NC 27832



**Anticipated Impacts: Low**

This building has the architecture of a roadside gas station. There are no tanks registered to this address, no evidence of underground storage tanks was observed, nor were there any monitoring wells located on the property. Personnel did notice what appeared to be a vent pipe bracket still attached to the side of the building. No documented incidents were discovered when reviewing the regulatory database.

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**(09) Property Name:**

Gaston Hardware  
206 Lawrenceville Road  
Gaston, NC

**Property Owner:**

Harold Wray  
PO Box P  
Gaston, NC 27832



**Anticipated Impacts: Low**

This hardware store was identified for concerns that it once may have operated as a gas station or auto repair shop. There are 4 bays located in the back of the building. The hardware store occupied two storefronts; one seems to be an addition to the original building. There are no documented incidents or underground storage tanks registered to this address. No evidence of underground storage tanks or monitoring wells were observed while on site.

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**(10) Property Name:**

New Dixie Mart 223  
100 Pleasant Hill Road  
Gaston, NC

**Property Owner:**

New Dixie Oil Co  
1501 Marshall Street  
Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

**Facility ID:** 00-0-0000020892

**UST Owner:**

New Dixie Oil Co (John Elam)  
1501 Marshall Street  
Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

**Incident Type/Number:** 46537



**Anticipated Impacts: Low**

This site is an active gas station with a recently documented incident. No monitoring wells were observed while on site. Based on documents within the regulatory database, corrective action measures have yet to begin.

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**(11) Property Name:**

Fowler Property (Sheetah'z Fashion)  
104 Garysburg Road  
Gaston, NC

**Property Owner:**

Cynthia Medlin Fowler Trustee  
34 Skip Jack Landing  
Littleton, NC 27850



**Anticipated Impacts: Low**

This site is presently occupied by a fashion boutique and a welding shop. Based on the architecture of the building and the observance of a monitoring well, a gas station may have operated at this location. There are no documented incidents in the regulatory database, nor was any evidence of underground storage tanks observed while on site.

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**(12) Property Name:**

Fowler Property (The Stir Fry Grill)  
103 Garysburg Road  
Gaston, NC

**Property Owner:**

Cynthia Medlin Fowler Trustee  
35 Skip Jack Landing  
Littleton, NC 27850



**Anticipated Impacts: Low**

This site is located on the same parcel as the previous site, separated by a large asphalt parking lot. There are no documented incidents associated with this parcel, and no underground storage tanks registered to this address.

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**(13) Property Name:**

Earl's (Former Gaston Mini-Mart)  
100 Garysburg Road  
Gaston, NC

**Property Owner:**

Mildred Hill Moncure  
202 Moncure Trail  
Garysburg, NC 27831

**Facility ID:** 00-0-0000022400

**UST Owner:**

New Dixie Oil Co  
1501 Marshall Street  
Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

**Incident Type/Number:** 11672



**Anticipated Impacts:** Low

This site is a former gas station that currently operates as an automotive repair and accessories shop. A monitoring well and vent pipe were observed while on site. After reviewing reports in the regulatory database, this was the location of the Gaston Mini-Mart. Four (4) tanks were removed in October 1992, a fifth tank was later removed in December 1993. The incident remains active.

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Figure 1  
Location of GeoEnvironmental Sites of Concern





Figure 2  
Location of GeoEnvironmental Sites of Concern

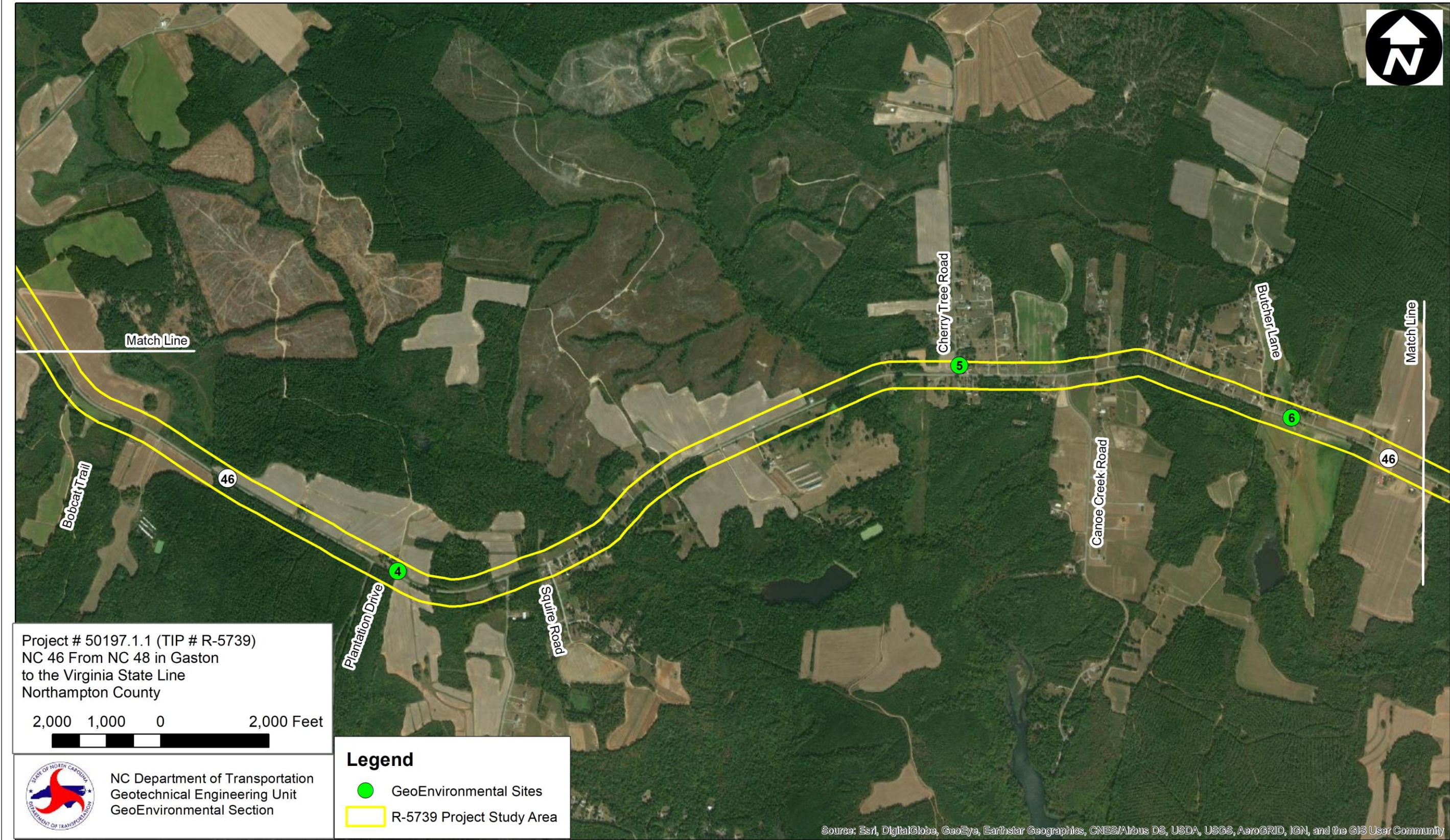




Figure 3  
Location of GeoEnvironmental Sites of Concern

