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Subject: Koppers Off-site Soil Sampling Results
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Dear Robin, Anthony, and John,

Thanks Robin for this information and I appreciate you talking with me. Here is my situation. I am trying to determine if there is a health risk to my 5-year old daughter and myself before jumping on the "panic" train. We play outside in our soil and garden FREQUENTLY! There seems to be little to no information in our vicinity. Contaminants don't always take a "logical" path. I am hearing about contamination up to 2 and 1/2 miles away from neighbors signed on board the class action suit. This information, however, is not available to you unless you are signed on the class action suit.

Contaminants include: arsenic, copper, chromium, dioxin, pentachlorophenol, and polyaromatic hydrocarbons. I am anxious to get my site tested or get information that convinces me of no harm, but I am not anxious to hop on the NY attorney band wagon. Especially when the agreement gives them the ability to collect "fees" if the lawsuit is unsuccessful. I do not feel comfortable giving these attorneys the ability to freely spend my money and make me be liable down the line for money they spent if this is a farce.

MY PRIMARY INTEREST IS THAT OF THE RISK TO OUR HEALTH. Secondly, is the effect on my property value and the ability to sell in the future. In the Escambia County Kopper's contamination incident there were 404 residents relocated (358 in 1997 and an additional 46 in 2006). The EPA report does not give a contamination radius that I have found to determine their distance from the Kopper's site boundaries.

Can you direct me to more information to ease my fears? What is the cost of the tests for the above mentioned 6 contaminants? What company's in town can do this testing? Is there a mechanism to get Alachua County, EPA, or Kopper's to do more extensive testing further north AND west, AND to include all of these contaminants? This would be more than what is reflected on your map (arsenic, chromium, copper, pentachlorophenol, polyaromatic hydrocarbons, etc.). I know there are "budget constraints" to consider, however, when there is a potential health risk of this magnitude, there must be a means by which to get this health information for the people affected to get us all working on the same team. I know the three of you are in the positions that are designed to protect the public's health.

Thanks for your assistance and concern.

Suzanne Wynn, BSCE

---- Robin Hallbourg <Robin@alachuacounty.us> wrote:

> Ms. Wynn,

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> Attached is the mapped summary of off-site soil sampling results. The state standard for of dioxin (indicated by TCDD TEQ on the map) is 7 parts per thousand (ppt) or .000007 milligram per kilogram (mg/kg). The majority of the off-site contamination is directly west of the open areas of the site, not to the northwest. Samples on NW 32nd Avenue are within acceptable levels approximately 200 feet west of the property line (sample SS46AA). Arsenic was also very low in this sample as well.

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> Please do not hesitate to contact me (at the number below) or John Mousa (352/264-6805) if you have any questions regarding the data. Anthony Dennis, Environmental Health Director, Alachua County Health Department can be reached at 352/334-7931 to answer questions you may have related to health.

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> Sincerely,

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> Robin Hallbourg

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