



Pre-Regulatory Landfill Program
Department of Environmental Quality



Pre-Regulatory Landfills (PRLF)



- A pre-1983 landfill means any land area, whether publicly or privately owned, on which municipal solid waste disposal occurred prior to 1 January 1983 but not thereafter, but does not include any landfill used primarily for the disposal of industrial solid waste.
- Pre- 1983 landfills
 - Did not have construction standards
 - Were not lined
 - No disposal regulations

PRLF Program Funding

- A state-wide solid waste disposal tax of \$2 per ton is collected for waste disposed at permitted landfills.
- 50 percent of the disposal tax is deposited into the Inactive Hazardous Sites Cleanup Fund (IHSCF).
 - Average annual fund ~ \$12 million
- The Pre-Regulatory Landfill (PRLF) Program uses funds from the IHSCF to investigate and mitigate risks posed by pre-1983 landfills.

PRLF Program Facts

- 666 sites identified
- 147 sites have initiated a Remedial Investigation (RI)
 - 59 sites have RI in progress
 - 88 sites have RI completed
- 45 sites in Remedial Design
- 43 sites have completed Remediation
- 623 sites still open



Risks Posed by PRLFs

- Uncontrolled mixture of solid and hazardous wastes
- Contaminated soils and exposed waste
- Uncontrolled hazardous vapors and explosive gas
- Contaminated groundwater could affect drinking water supplies
- Waste may erode into surface waters
- Waste material may have been used as fill at other properties
- No prohibition on use over or adjacent to the landfill

PRLF Program Process



- 1) Contact property owner to request access permission
- 2) Remedial investigation (RI) – identify receptors, sensitive environments, and assess potentially impacted media. RI may include multiple mobilizations to the site to fully identify and delineate the extent of the contaminants of concern.
 - a) Geophysical survey and waste delineation
 - b) Above ground vapor survey
 - c) Collect surface water, groundwater, sediment, cover soil samples
 - d) Waste characterization (if applicable)
 - e) Landfill/soil gas
 - f) Sample potable water supplies
 - g) Collect background soil and groundwater samples

PRLF Program Process

- 3) Remedial Action Plan (RAP) Design:
 - a) Remove surface debris (if applicable)
 - b) Slope stabilization
 - c) Permitting (Clean Water Act 404/401, stormwater and sedimentation control)
 - d) Installation of soil cover system
- 4) Review potential remedy with property owners
- 5) Recordation of land use restrictions and notice plat
- 6) Public comment period

PRLF Program Process

- 7) Sub-contractor bid advertisement
- 8) Select sub-contractor and mobilize to site
- 9) Complete remedial action plan
- 10) Post construction monitoring
- 11) Release of erosion control permit
- 12) Property owner annual certification of land use restrictions

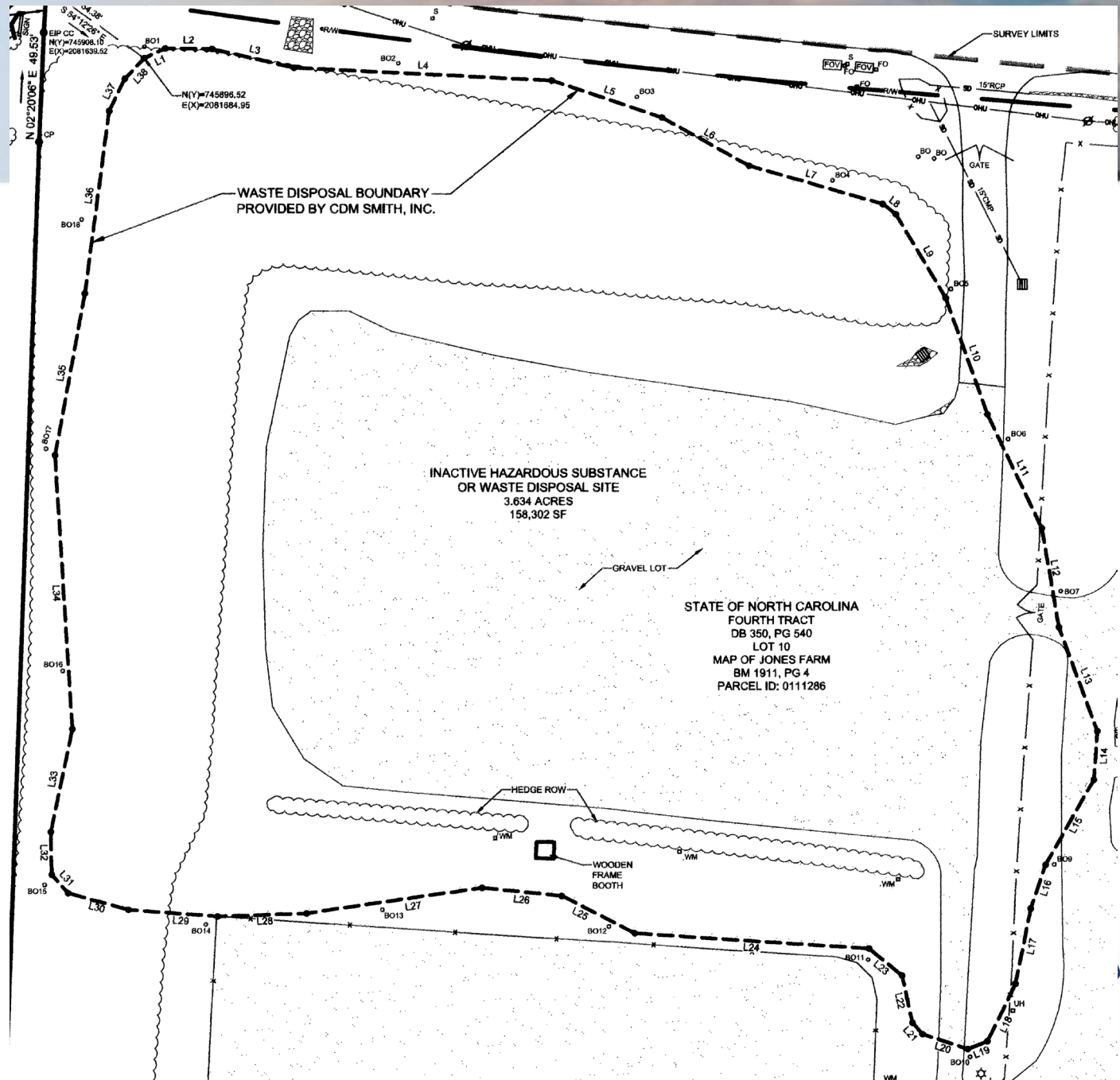
Land Use Restrictions

Declaration of Perpetual Land Use Restrictions (DPLUR) include the following:

- Identifies the impacted parcels/pieces of land
- Outlines the restrictions & maintenance requirements
- Representations and warranties
- Enforcement
- Future sales, leases, conveyances and transfers
- Annual certification

Notice of Environmental Contamination

Notice of Environmental Contamination recorded showing the boundary of the waste disposal site.



City of Durham Parks – East Durham Park

East Durham Park (NONCD0000821) – 2601 E. Main & 300 Gary St, Durham, NC



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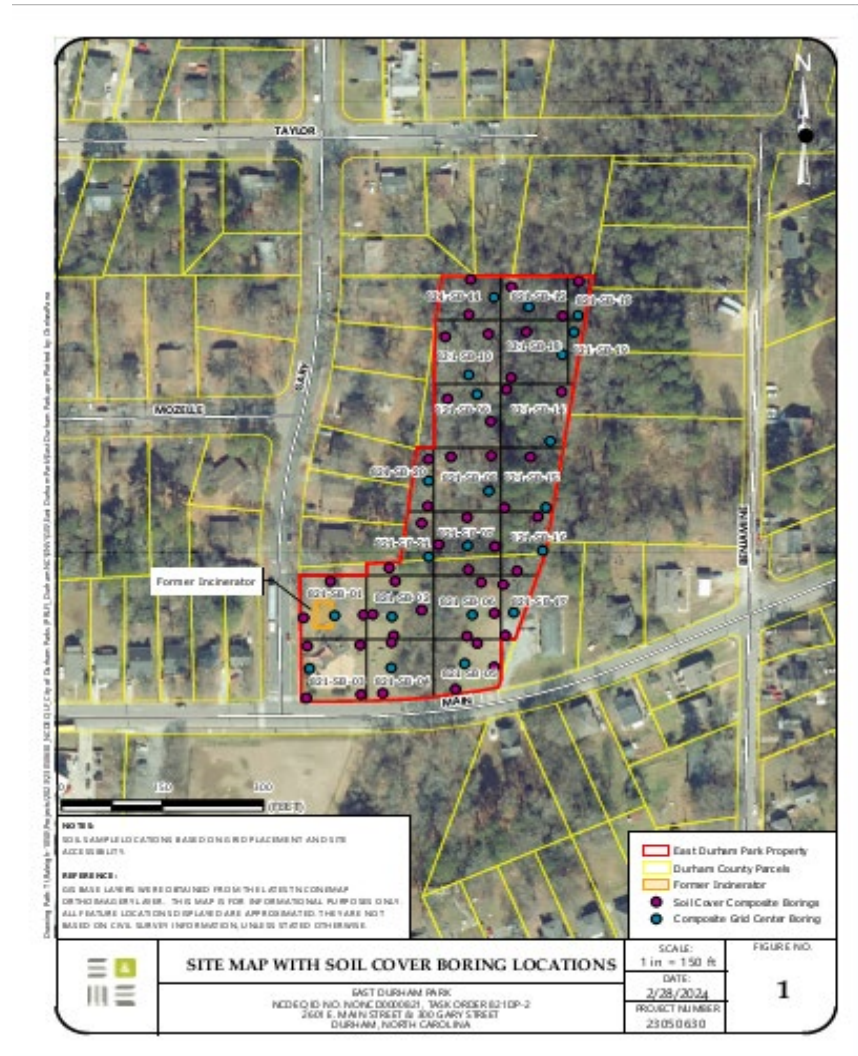


Completed Task Orders – East Durham Park

- Initial Soil Cover Investigation – December 2023
 - Collected Representative Soil Samples for Quality and Thickness
 - Analyzed soil samples for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), and Lead.
- Geophysical Survey – March/April 2024
 - Conducted a Geophysical Survey to approximate the vertical and horizontal extents of the waste disposal area.
- Figure Revisions and Field Marking – April 2024
 - Field marked the grids that failed for quality (lead exceeding the USEPA health-based screening level of 200 milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg) and thickness (12” soil cover over the waste).

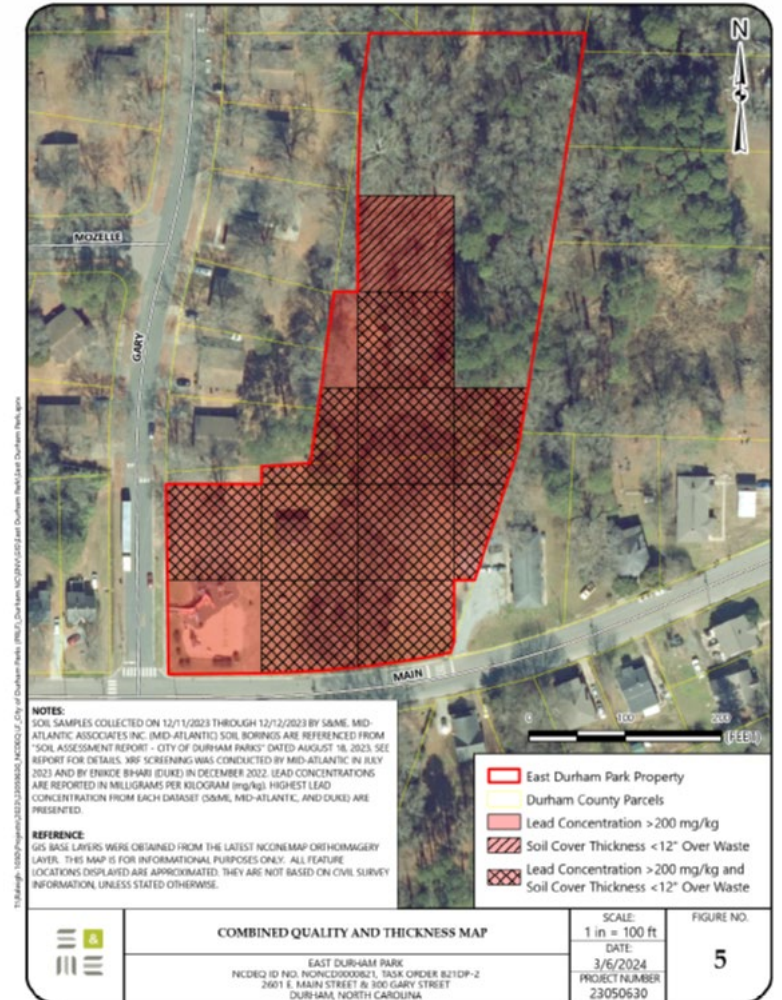
East Durham Park Soil Cover Investigation Summary

- Each Sample Grid - 10,000 Square Feet (100' x 100') to a depth of 12".
 - Installed a total of 69 individual soil borings across the park property.
 - Total of 21 composite soil samples.
 - Field screened composite soil samples for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs).
 - Measured from 0.0 parts per million (ppm) to 20.4 ppm in the collected samples across the investigation area.



East Durham Park Soil Cover Investigation Summary

- Each Sample Grid - 10,000 Square Feet (100' x 100') to a depth of 12".
- This figure combines the historical exceedances of the USEPA health-based screening level of 200 mg/kg for lead and the sample grids that were shown to have an insufficient soil cover thickness per the NCDEQ Pre-Regulatory Landfill Guidelines
- Insufficient soil cover is defined as there being less than a foot of soil above the waste material or waste being encountered in the top foot of soil above waste.
- A grid shaded red (with or without lines) has been isolated for lead concentrations or for having insufficient soil cover.



East Durham Park Geophysical Investigation Summary



- Conducted a Geophysical Survey to approximate the vertical and horizontal extents of the waste disposal area.
- Environmental Assessment now extends to the Eastern portion of the park property.



City of Durham Parks – East End Park

East End Park (NONCD0000823) – 1200 N. Alston Avenue, Durham, NC



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Completed Activities– East End Park

- Initial Soil Cover Investigation – December 2023
 - Collected Representative Soil Samples for Quality and Thickness
 - Analyzed soil samples for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), and Lead.
- Geophysical Survey – March/April 2024
 - Conducted a Geophysical Survey to approximate the vertical and horizontal extents of the waste disposal area.
- DP-2 Figure Revisions and Field Marking – April 2024
 - Field marked the grids that failed for quality (lead exceeding the USEPA health-based screening level of 200 milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg) and thickness (12” soil cover over the waste).

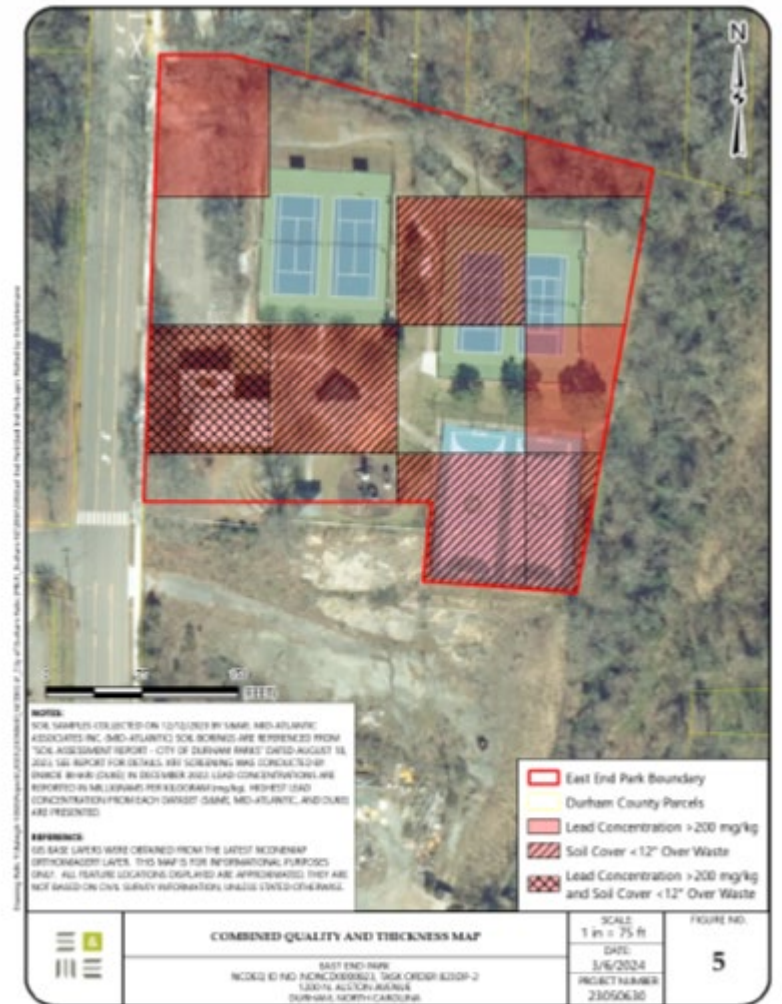
East End Park Soil Cover Investigation Summary

- Each Sample Grid - 10,000 Square Feet (100' x 100') to a depth of 12".
 - Installed a total of 41 individual soil borings across the park property.
 - Total of 16 composite soil samples.
 - Field screened composite soil samples for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs)
 - Measured from 0.0 parts per million (ppm) to 0.3 ppm in the collected samples across the investigation area.



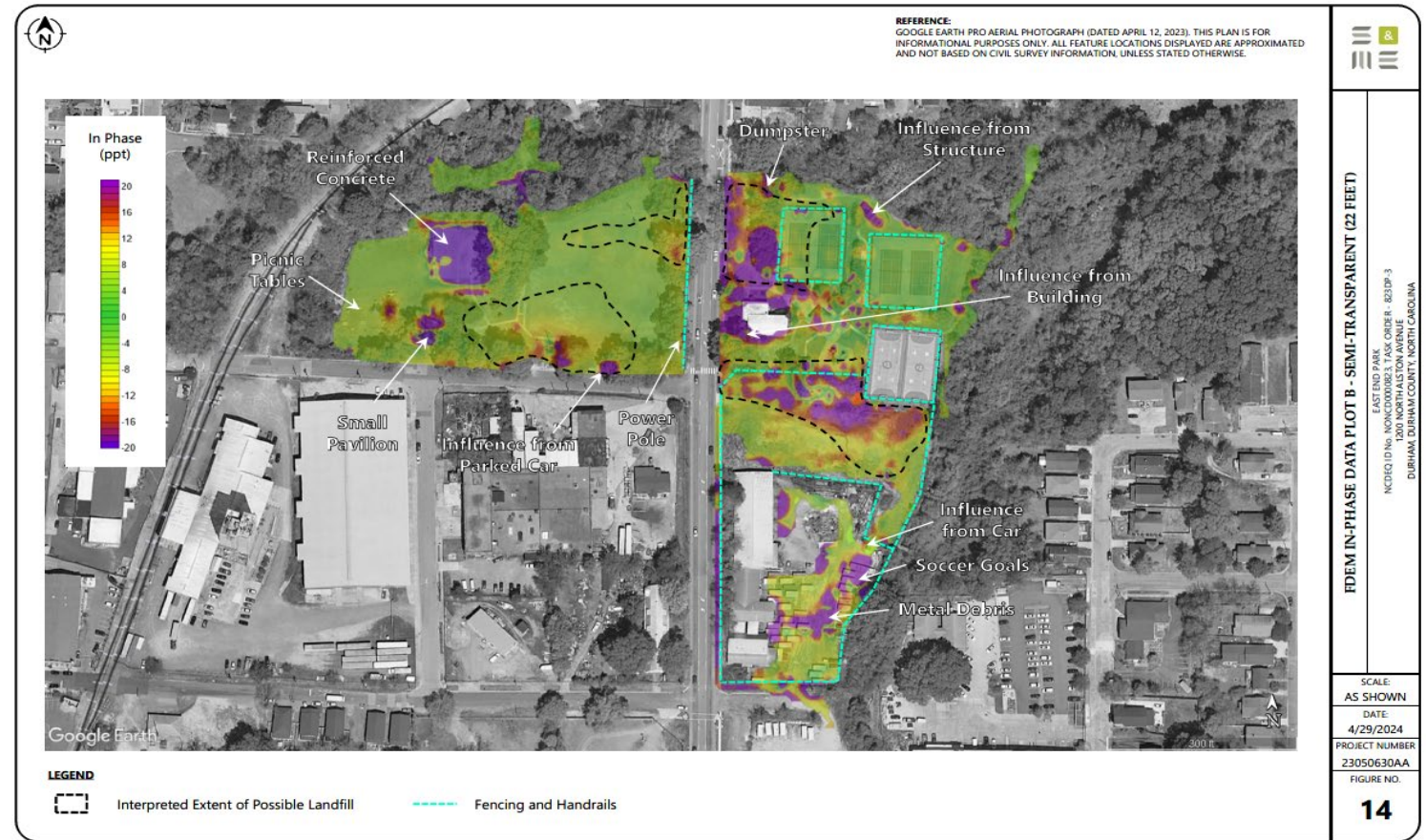
East End Park Soil Cover Investigation Summary

- Each Sample Grid - 10,000 Square Feet (100' x 100') to a depth of 12".
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East End Park Geophysical Investigation Summary

- Conducted a Geophysical Survey to approximate the vertical and horizontal extents of the waste disposal area.
- Environmental Assessment now extends to the Western portion of the park property.



City of Durham Parks – Walltown Park
Walltown Park (NONCD0000824) – 1308 W Club Blvd, Durham, NC



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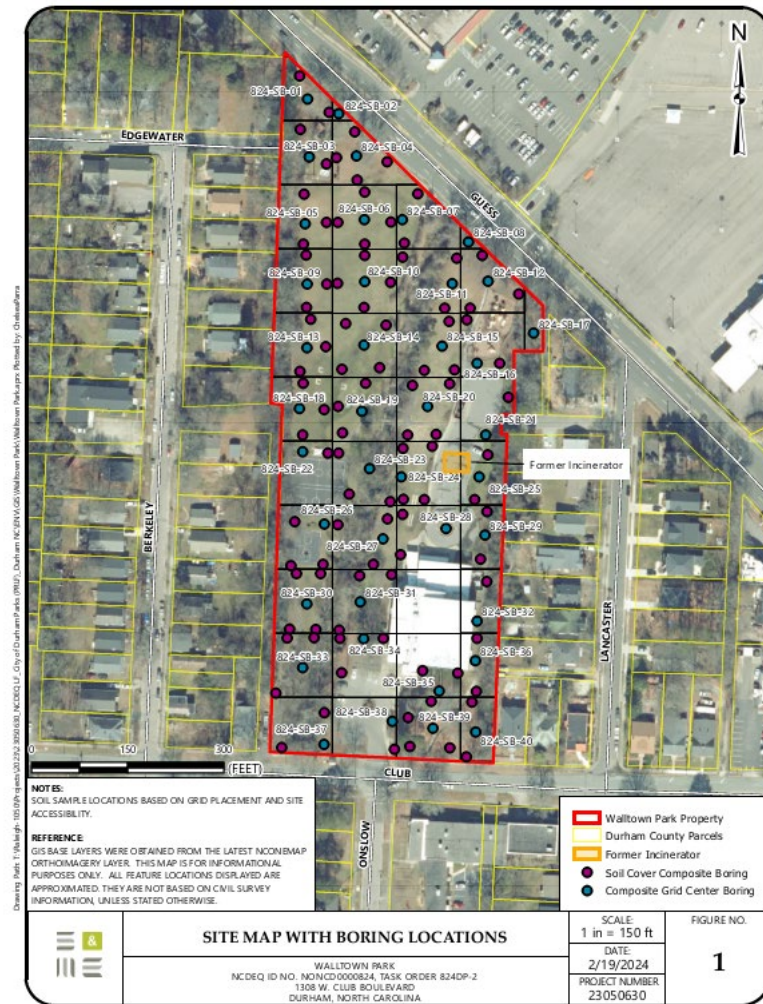


Completed Activities– Walltown Park

- Initial Soil Cover Investigation
 - Collected Representative Soil Samples for Quality and Thickness
 - Analyzed soil samples for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), and Total Lead.
- Geophysical Survey – March/April 2024
 - Conducted a Geophysical Survey to approximate the vertical and horizontal extents of the waste disposal area.
- DP-2 Figure Revisions and Field Marking – April 2024
 - Field marked the grids that failed for quality (lead exceeding the USEPA health-based screening level of 200 milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg) and thickness (12” soil cover over the waste).

Walttown Park Soil Cover Investigation Summary

- Each Sample Grid - 10,000 Square Feet (100' x 100') to a depth of 12".
 - Installed a total of 140 individual soil borings across the park property.
 - Total of 40 composite soil samples.
 - Field screened composite soil samples for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs)
 - None measured in the collected samples across the investigation area.



Walltown Park Task Order Soil Cover Investigation Summary

- Each Sample Grid - 10,000 Square Feet (100' x 100') to a depth of 12".

- This figure combines the historical exceedances of the USEPA health-based screening level of 200 mg/kg for lead and the sample grids that were shown to have an insufficient soil cover thickness per the NCDEQ Pre-Regulatory Landfill Guidelines

- Insufficient soil cover is defined as there being less than a foot of soil above the waste material or waste being encountered in the top foot of soil above waste.



- A grid shaded red (with or without lines) has been isolated for lead concentrations or for having insufficient soil cover.



Walltown Park Task Order Geophysical Investigation Summary

- Conducted a Geophysical Survey to approximate the vertical and horizontal extents of the waste disposal area.



City of Durham Parks – Lyon Park

Lyon Park (NONCD0000822) – 1101 Cornell St & 1200 W. Lakewood Avenue, Durham, NC



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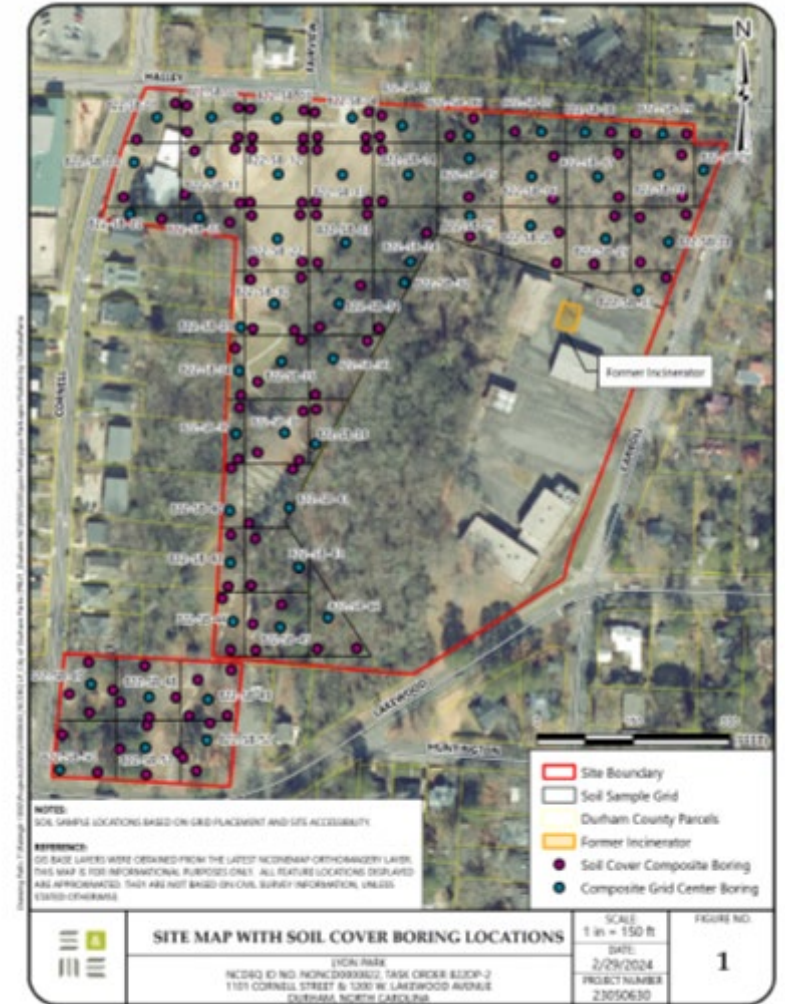


Completed Activities – Lyon Park

- Initial Soil Cover Investigation
 - Collected Representative Soil Samples for Quality and Thickness
 - Analyzed soil samples for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), Semi-Volatile Compounds (SVOCs), 18 Metals (Antimony, Arsenic, Barium, Beryllium, Cadmium, Chromium (Trivalent), Chromium (Hexavalent), Cobalt, Copper, Lead, Manganese, Mercury, Nickel, Selenium, Silver, Thallium, Vanadium, and Zinc).
- Geophysical Survey – March/April 2024
 - Conducted a Geophysical Survey to approximate the vertical and horizontal extents of the waste disposal area.
- Figure Revisions and Field Marking – April 2024
 - Field marked the grids that failed for quality (lead exceeding the USEPA health-based screening level of 200 milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg) and thickness (12” soil cover over the waste).

Lyon Park Task Order Soil Cover Investigation Summary

- Each Sample Grid - 10,000 Square Feet (100' x 100') to a depth of 12".
- Installed a total of 169 individual soil borings across the park property.
- Total of 52 composite soil samples.
- Field screened composite soil samples for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs)
- Measured from 0.0 parts per million (ppm) to 50.1 ppm in the collected samples across the investigation area.



Lyon Park Soil Cover Investigation Summary

- Each Sample Grid - 10,000 Square Feet (100' x 100') to a depth of 12".
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Task Order Geophysical Investigation Summary

- Conducted a Geophysical Survey to approximate the vertical and horizontal extents of the waste disposal area.
- Environmental Assessment now extends to the Eastern portion of the park property.



City of Durham Parks – Northgate Park

Northgate Park (NONCD0000825) – 308 W. Club Blvd & 400 W. Lavender Avenue, Durham, NC



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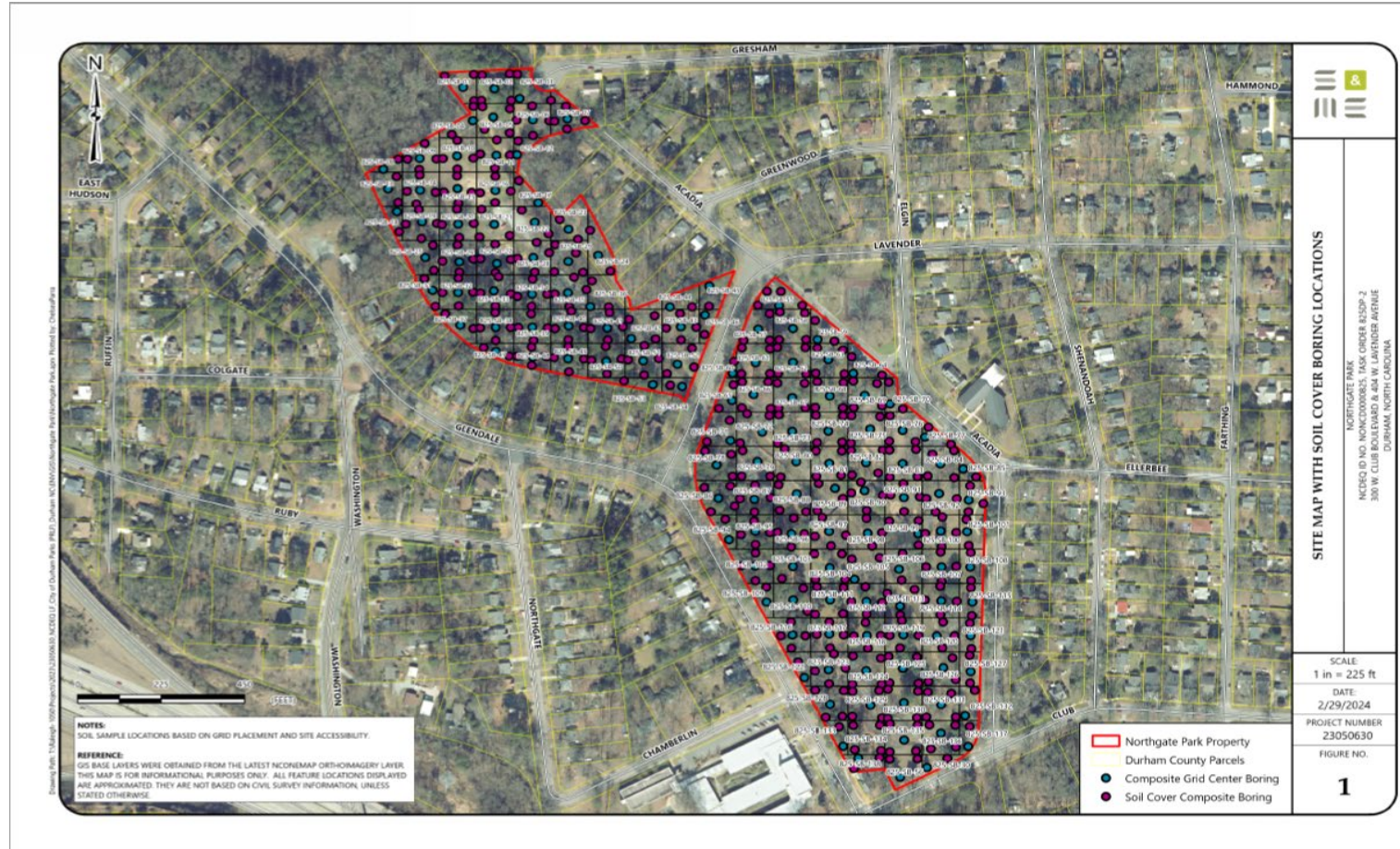


Completed Task Orders – Northgate Park

- Initial Soil Cover Investigation
 - Collected Representative Soil Samples for Quality and Thickness
 - Analyzed soil samples for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), Semi-Volatile Compounds (SVOCs), 18 Metals (Antimony, Arsenic, Barium, Beryllium, Cadmium, Chromium (Trivalent), Chromium (Hexavalent), Cobalt, Copper, Lead, Manganese, Mercury, Nickel, Selenium, Silver, Thallium, Vanadium, and Zinc).
- Geophysical Survey – March/April 2024
 - Conducted a Geophysical Survey to approximate the vertical and horizontal extents of the waste disposal area.
- DP-2 Figure Revisions and Field Marking – April 2024
 - Field marked the grids that failed for quality (lead exceeding the USEPA health-based screening level of 200 milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg) and thickness (12” soil cover over the waste).

Northgate Park Soil Cover Investigation Summary

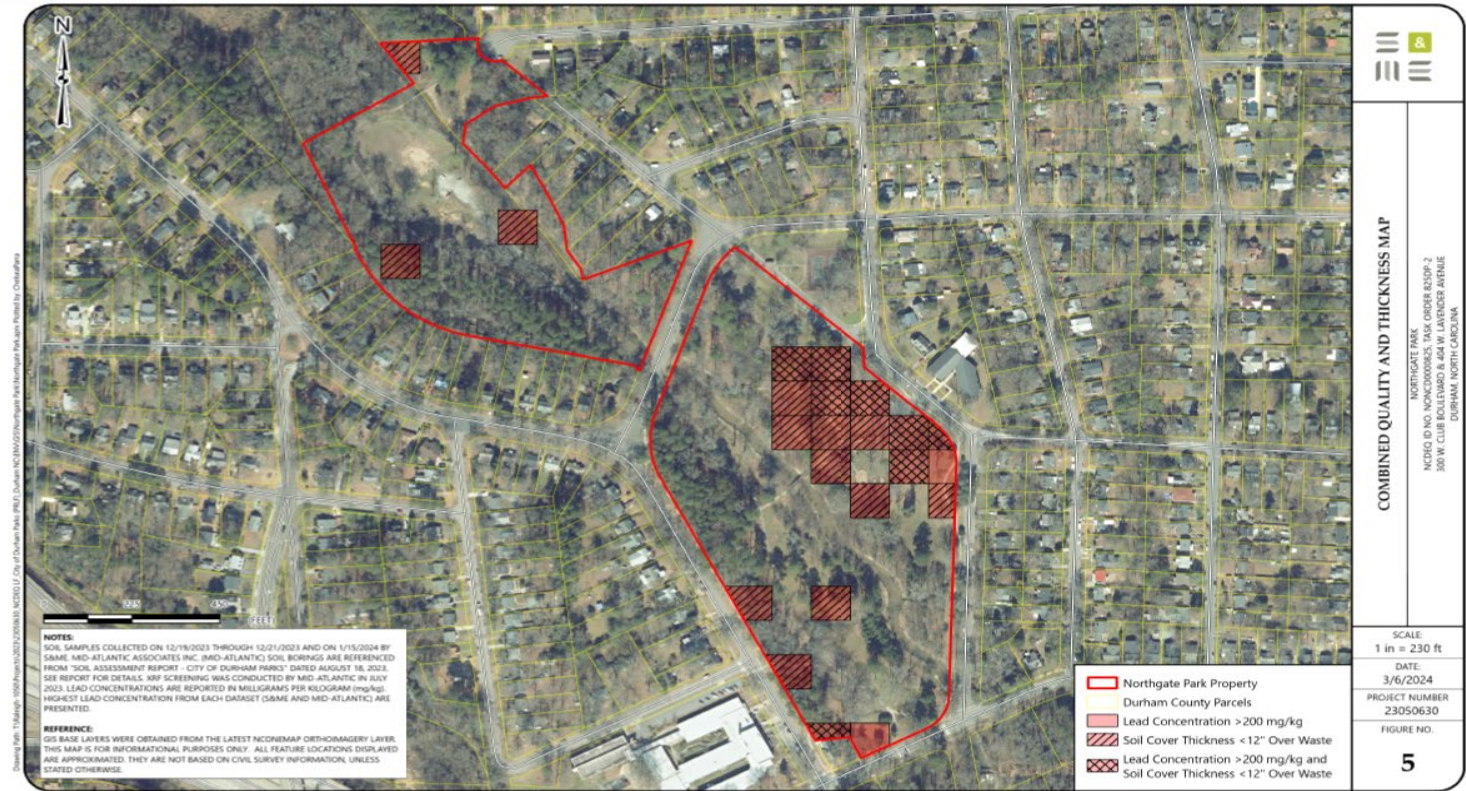
- Each Sample Grid - 10,000 Square Feet (100' x 100') to a depth of 12".
- Installed a total of 566 individual soil borings across the park property.
- Total of 138 composite soil samples.
- Field screened composite soil samples for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs)
 - Measured from 0.0 parts per million (ppm) to 47.8 ppm in the collected samples across the investigation area.



Northgate Park Soil Cover Investigation Summary

- Each Sample Grid - 10,000 Square Feet (100' x 100') to a depth of 12".

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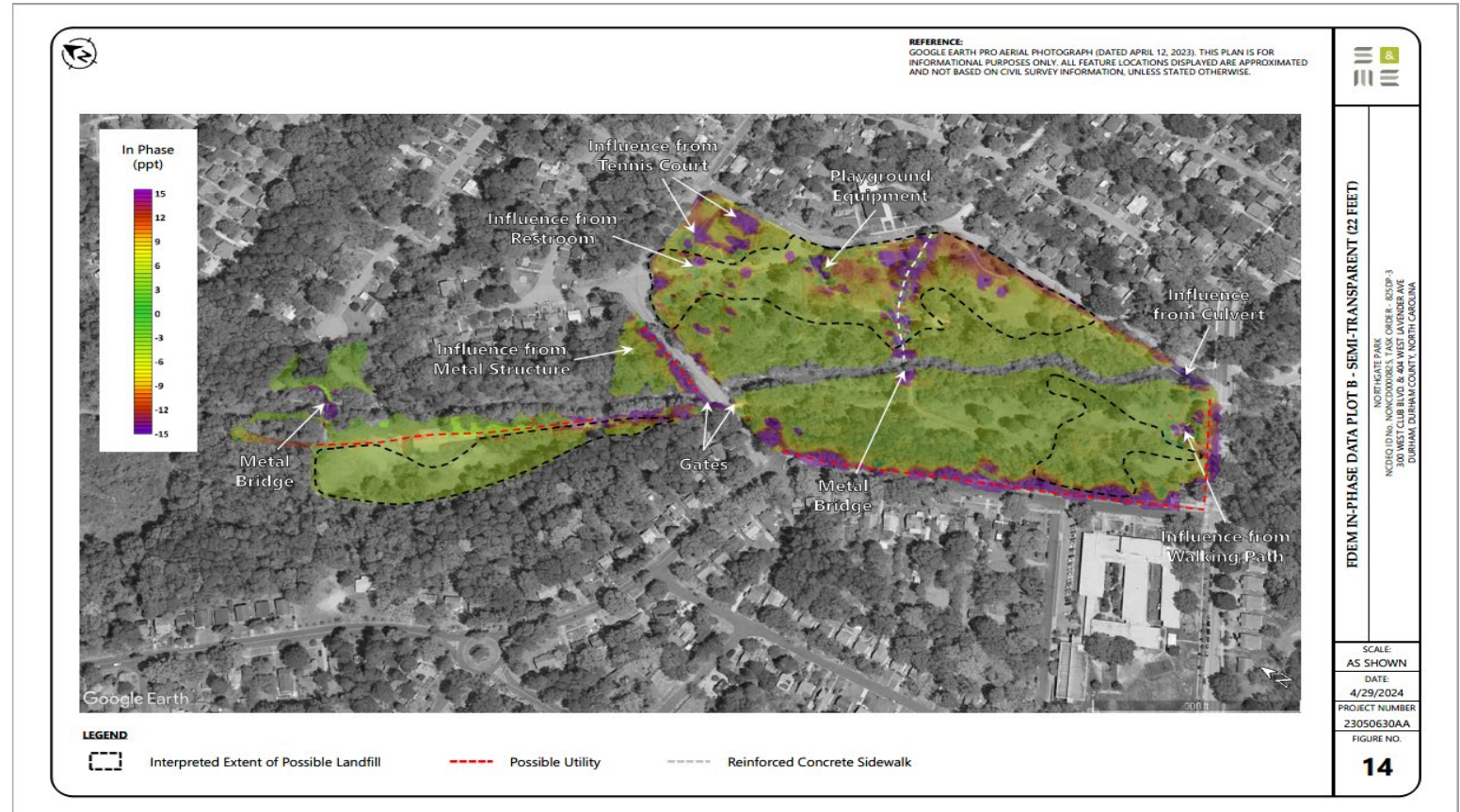
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Northgate Park Geophysical Investigation Summary

- Conducted a Geophysical Survey to approximate the vertical and horizontal extents of the waste disposal area.



Ongoing Investigation– All Five Parks

- Additional Soil Cover Sampling - May – July 2024
 - Collecting Additional Soil Samples to complete the PRLF Guidance Requirements.
- Topographic/Boundary Surveys - April – June 2024
- Site Remedy Budget Estimates - May 2024
- Playground Material Removal - Thru July 2024
 - Contracting is underway and is expected to be completed in July 2024.
- Playground Area Sampling
 - Conduct soil sampling following the removal and disposal of the playground materials.

Pending Investigations – All Five Parks – 2024 to 2025

- Waste Delineation Borings
 - Delineate the approximate waste boundary based upon the results of the Geophysical Survey.
- Background Soil Sampling –Dependent upon Soil Cover Assessment results.
 - Background Soil Sampling to assess naturally occurring concentrations of metals in native soil.
- Surface Water Assessment
 - To assess concentrations (if present) of surface water constituents.

Pending Investigations – All Five Parks – 2024 to 2025

- Groundwater Assessment
 - To assess concentrations (if present) of groundwater constituents.
- Soil Gas Assessment
 - To assess concentrations (if present) of soil gas/landfill gas constituents.
- Remedial Investigation Summary Report

Thank you



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