



UPCOMING FIELD SAMPLING

NEAR THE WILLIAMSON POLISHING & PLATING FACILITY Martindale-Brightwood Neighborhood, Indianapolis

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will be in the neighborhood sampling groundwater and soil gas to determine if chemicals from the former Williamson Polishing & Plating facility have affected the nearby area.



EPA will be **sampling** from **Monday, April 24, to Friday, April 28**, within the area shown on the left, between 22nd Street and 19th Street, and from Alford Street to Columbia Avenue.

You may see sampling personnel, vehicles, drilling rigs and equipment operating in the area.

For more information

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Purpose of the sampling

EPA will sample for the presence of chemicals in groundwater and soil gas. This information will help determine if vapor intrusion is occurring in the area.

Vapor intrusion takes place when chemicals in soil and groundwater give off gases that can rise up through the soil and seep into buildings through foundations.

How is the sampling done?

Soil gas sampling consists of installing tubing into the ground, drawing gas out of the tubing and collecting the gas for laboratory analysis.

Groundwater sampling is also done by installing temporary wells to identify contaminated groundwater, or plumes that could serve as vapor sources.

Background Information

In December 2016 EPA began removing contaminants at the **Williamson Polishing & Plating** facility on 2080 Dr. Andrew J Brown Avenue. EPA is assessing, sampling and disposing of hazardous substances abandoned in the facility. The cleanup operation should be completed this summer. Additional information regarding **facility cleanup** activities or **vapor intrusion**, please visit www.epa.gov/in/williamson-polishing-and-plating-site or www.epa.gov/vaporintrusion.