

CITY OF XENIA, OHIO

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## **Soil Samples to be collected at former Hooven and Allison Site**

Xenia, Ohio, April 12, 2010: As part of the site assessment work being conducted at the former Hooven & Allison Cordage Company site on Cincinnati Avenue, the City of Xenia's consultant will be taking soil samples to determine what, if any, contamination may exist. To collect the samples, the contractor will use a Geoprobe® sampling system. This entails using a pneumatic hammer to push a tube into the ground, and then extract the soil sample. They will also drill several wells to extract ground water samples.

**Work on the soil samples will begin on or about April 13, 2010, and may take up to four (4) weeks to complete.**

Work will be done during daylight hours, from 8 a.m. to roughly 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. During the work, residents may hear loud banging from the pneumatic hammer, and may feel some slight vibrations as well. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, but this is a necessary step before any redevelopment of the property can begin.

The City of Xenia received a \$275,878 Clean Ohio Assistance Fund grant from the State of Ohio to conduct the Phase II Environmental Site Assessment at the former Hooven & Allison. This grant requires no local match. Once the site assessment work is completed, additional state and/or federal grants may be available to perform the actual clean up, including demolition.

To date, no end use for the site has been determined.

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