ALL GREENWICH HIGH SCHOOL FIELDS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Evidence of soil contamination has been discovered in the construction zone of the west parking lot of GHS. Further tests were conducted to the north and west of the construction area to determine if there is contamination on or near the surface by the playing fields. These tests included soil samples from the grass area between the parking lot and fields 3 and 4. The results received today, July 29, 2011, indicated that PCB levels at 0 - 1’ depth are higher than the acceptable standards for residential or commercial uses. Based on these results, all GHS fields will be closed immediately for public use. A more thorough testing protocol will begin on Monday, August 1, 2011 to determine the extent of the surface level contaminant risk. Once the results have been analyzed, decisions on access to the fields will be made.

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