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Former Holler Hosiery Mill — 883 Highland Avenue Southeast

Brownfield Assessment Grant

Progress

During the past quarter, Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESAs) activities were completed at the former S&W Chemical, Inc. facility, and Phase II ESA soil and ground water sampling activities were completed at the former Regal Manufacturing Facility. Additional Phase I and II ESAs are planned for spring and summer.

Former S&W Chemical, Inc. Property

Located at 1530 First Avenue SW, this is a 6.65-acre parcel that currently contains a vacant two-story building. The property was developed in the 1860s and remained an active mill until the mid 1960s when it was used as a warehouse for storage of furniture. In 1987, S&W Chemical, Inc. purchased the property. S&W bought chemicals in bulk and then packaged for them resale. In 2002, S&W was sold and the operations were moved off site. In 2006, the main mill building was razed leaving only the former office/laboratory building. The property has been vacant since 2002.



Former S&W Chemicals, Inc. – Northern Facade

A Phase II ESA soil and ground water sampling plan is currently being developed to evaluate

suspected impacts to the property from historical uses.

Former Regal Manufacturing Property

Located at 212 12th Avenue NE, this is a 2.64-acre parcel that currently contains two vacant single-story buildings. The subject site was first developed as a hosiery mill in 1956. Regal used the facility to manufacture elastic hosiery until 1999. The property is currently available for sale.

Phase II ESA soil and ground water assessment data indicate that additional assessment and/or engineering controls may be required for the property prior to redevelopment.



Former Regal Manufacturing – Northern Facade

Property Updates

Former Piedmont Wagon Property

Phase II ESA soil and ground water data indicated that no additional assessment or engineering controls will be required for the property prior to redevelopment. The property is currently available for sale.

A redevelopment planning meeting was held with the property's representative, the Hickory Landmarks Society, on February 23, 2010. To spark developer interest in the property, grant

funds will be utilized to hire a local architectural firm to prepare site renderings depicting potential future property uses.



Former Piedmont Wagon – Southern Facade

Former Hollar Hosiery Mill

Phase II ESA soil assessment data indicated that additional assessment and/or engineering controls will likely be required for the property prior to redevelopment.

The property owner is pursuing entering the site into the NC Brownfield Program. Grant funds were utilized to help prepare the application documents, and funds also will be utilized to prepare future redevelopment program documents as needed.

Reminders

- o Please visit the City's Brownfield program website www.southeastbrownfields.com/hickory/ for information on properties, program progress, and community meetings.
- o The City has set up a computer in the lobby of city hall to give citizens an opportunity to learn more about the Brownfields program and each project.
- o The City's Brownfield Grant ends on September 30, 2010. If you have a property that you would like considered for entry into the program, please contact the City before time runs out!

Upcoming Events

May 26, 2010, Julian G. Whitener Municipal Building, Hickory, NC – A BAG meeting will be held from 11:30-1:00 in the third floor conference room.