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CITY TO ASSESS SITES WITH GRANT FROM EPA

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is giving the city of Kent a \$200,000 grant to determine whether sites are contaminated with petroleum products. The city is looking at four sites suspected of having contamination problems and 25 former gas stations across the city where contamination is possible.

The city would like to redevelop those sites, but contamination questions have stalled redevelopment, officials said.

Over the next 18 months, Emerald Environmental Inc. will conduct the contamination assessments of selected sites for the city.

Public meetings on the program are scheduled at 6:30 p.m. on July 19 at the Kent City Hall; noon on July 23 at the Kent Free Library; and 9:30 a.m. July 31 at Kent City Hall.

For more information or to suggest sites, go to:
<http://emerald-environmental.com/cityofkent>

Or contact Sarah Lane of Emerald Environmental at 330-677-0785.