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Chemists Find More PCBs On Roads

RALEIGH (AP) — Chemists found [illegible] polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) Friday in soil samples taken from the shoulders of two more highways where chemical wastes were believed to have been intentionally dumped.

[illegible] PCBs is [illegible] in Granville, Wake, [illegible] Franklin counties. One [illegible] along N.C. 96 [illegible] the Virginia line [illegible] and back down U.S. [illegible] a total of about [illegible] miles. The other begins on State Route [illegible] stopping on the outskirts of the town and [illegible] east of Zebulon on N.C. 97 and continuing along State Route 1137, N.C. 301, U.S. 64 and N.C. 96 for about 20 miles.

Elon professor advises caution in dealing with PCBs, A-7.

Officials said the chemical PCB has been confirmed in [illegible] along about 115 miles of highways in the state, with samples still being analyzed from about 80 miles of highways.

The State Bureau of Investigation, which has seven [illegible] working fulltime on an investigation of the chemical dumping, appealed for two men believed to have been a truck discharging a liquid in the Johnston-Harnett county area the morning of Aug. 1 to contact the SBI for interviews.

The two apparently tried to stop a tanker truck on North Carolina 210 east of Angier to tell the driver he was losing his cargo. They apparently gave up when the driver refused to stop.

SBI agents interviewed an Angier-area woman, Jane Pleasant, who said she woke up about 1 a.m. the morning of Aug. 1 and saw a dark-colored tanker truck being followed by a station wagon with the horn blowing.

Mrs. Pleasant said in a telephone interview Friday the truck almost came to a stop in front of her house and one of the men got out of the car. She said the truck pulled away and the man from the car told his companion to let the truck driver go if he wouldn't stop to be told material was coming out of the tank.