# Radioactive containers fall on road

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SWIFTWATER, Pa. (AP) — State police today said ...y have discovered four containers of radioactive co... waste on Interstate 80 in northeastern Pennsylvan...

At least three persons were exposed to the contain..., which apparently fell from a passing vehicle at ...ut 10 a.m. and split open on the roadway, police ...d.

One of the persons was treated at the scene, and ... others were taken to a hospital, police said.

A state police spokeswoman said the containers, ...nd near the intersection of I-80 and Route 115 in Car... County, held granules of the waste. She did not ...w where the containers were being taken.

"We're not too sure of what we have there. It could ... dud; or we could have a real problem there," said ... Shaw, executive secretary of the state Hazardous ...stances Board.

He said two state experts in nuclear substances ...e on route.

Shaw said different forms of cobalt have varying ...ees of toxicity. The radioactve element is often ...d in cancer treatment.

# State will test removal of PCB-contaminated soil

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RALEIGH (AP) — The state Department of Transportation plans to dig into PCB-contaminated soil for the first time Thursday to test removal equipment and safety precautions.

The test is scheduled along a one-mile section of N.C. 58 in Warren County. Highway workers will remove 25 to 50 truckloads of the soil from the roadside and haul it 16 miles to a DOT maintenance area near Warrenton for temporary storage.

Warrenton residents were dismayed when they found about the state plans to store the contaminated soil in their area, said Warren County Manager Charles A. Hayes.

The Warren residents were angered by a DOT plan to ship some dirt out of Granville County over to the Warrenton storage site. State officials dropped that proposal Friday after hearing from the angry residents.

PCB oils were illegally dumped along about 210 miles of state roadside in early August.