Contaminant tests begin at old tip site

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People have been using contaminated soil to build roads near the old tip site, which may have exposed them to harmful chemicals. According to the Environment Minister, the soil would be tested for contaminants before being used in the community. The tests are expected to take several weeks.

State Government has decided to test the soil on the former tip site at Wentworth Park and Hobart's Eastern Shore, after concerns were raised about the site. The government has also vowed to keep the community informed of the progress.

Mrs. Jackson, a resident who lives near the site, said she had been using the soil for several years and had never experienced any health issues. She was relieved to know that it would be tested before being used again.

The company responsible for the tip site has already conducted some tests, but the government has ordered more thorough testing to ensure the safety of the community.