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## Mayor: Lunt property needs cleanup

Assessment finds groundwater contamination

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GREENFIELD — There is industrial groundwater contamination on the former Lunt Silversmith property on Federal Street and it will have to be cleaned up before the town or anyone else buys and redevelops it. Mayor William Martin and Robert Pyers, the town's economic development director, say an environmental assessment of the former factory site shows groundwater contains trichloroethylene (TCE) "significantly" above reportable concentrations. TCE is a volatile organic compound that is traditionally used by some manufacturers as a degreasing agent. TCE is the chemical that also was found to contaminate the land around the former Bendix factory off Laurel Street.

There were other compounds found as well, but the TCE is the most widespread, according to Pyers.

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