

Soils study to test for metal levels, types

Tests are underway to determine the types and levels of metals in soils and vegetable garden samples collected for the Sudbury Soils Study.

Glenn Ferguson, toxicologist with the SARA group, the consortium hired to conduct the study, said the data that's been collected so far is being analyzed to determine what other information may be needed to complete the study.

The SARA group is meeting with Laurentian University researchers to see if any work they're involved in may help the study, said a news release.

Ferguson said the team is exploring a variety of potential risk issues, as well as preparing a historical report on smelting operations in the Sudbury area.