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Investigation 4: Examining Core Samples of Soil

This investigation will help you to:

• Learn more about soil cores and local soils.

To learn more about soil cores and local soils, visit the following web sites:

Effective Soil Sampling Techniques, PETRIK Library

Lists and discusses five guidelines for collecting soil samples.

Soil Sampling, Jeffrey S. Jacobsen

Discusses sampling procedures for soil sampling.

Soil Profile Gallery, USDA-NRCS National Soil Survey Center

This site includes a written description of different soil types and a photograph and United States distribution map for each soil type.

State/Area Soil Surveys, USDA-NCS National Soil Survery Center

Click on your state to be linked to your state's soil survey.