

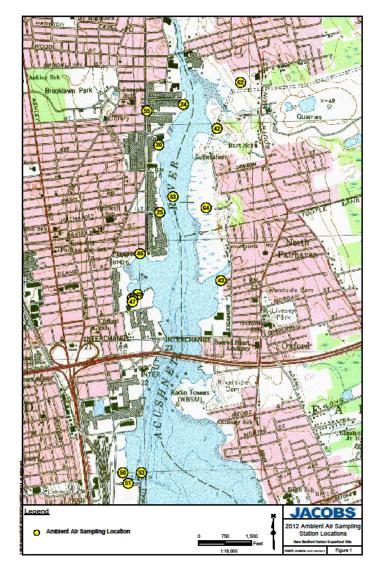
#### **Overview of Ambient PCB Air Monitoring Program**

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### **History of Ambient Sampling Program**

•Foster Wheeler did the leg work in 1999 and 2000 with background air sample collection throughout New Bedford, Acushnet and Fairhaven.

Pre and post dredge samples are collected each season. During dredging, air samples are collected on a monthly basis from the dredge and surrounding community locations. The locations sampled depend on the area being dredged.





# Sample Train

- Samples collected per EPA Method TO-10A: Determination Of Pesticides And Polychlorinated Biphenyls In Ambient Air Using Low Volume Polyurethane Foam (PUF) Sampling Followed By Gas Chromatographic/Multi-Detector (GC/MD) Detection
- Air pump calibrated to 5 liters/minute
- Tubing connects pump to media
- Media is in two pieces
  - 32mm Quartz filter
  - PUF filter
- Samples are collected over a 24 hour period
- Intake is placed between 1 and 2 m high
- Media sent to laboratory for analysis





# **Quality Control**

- Sample preparation
- Sample collection
- Analytical process
- Data Management

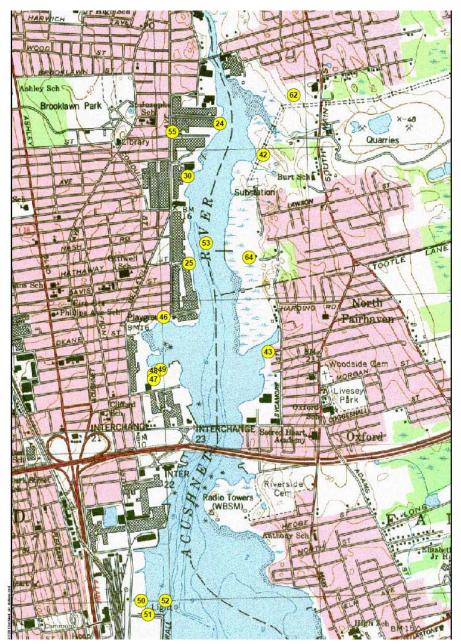




## **Air Sampling Results**

- Look at raw data
  - Test America Laboratory
  - Cashins and Associates' CIH reviews
  - Look for any initial problems with data
- Tabulate validated data
  - Battelle chemists provide data validation
  - Posted on EPA web site for New Bedford Harbor





#### **Current Monitoring Locations**

24 Aerovox	
25 Cliftex	
42 NSTAR North	
43 Veranda	
46 Coffin	
Area C	47
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Area D	50
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53 Dredge	
55 Aerovox West	
56 Acushnet Park	
57 Riverside Park	
61 South Fence	
62 Century House	

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