



# Risk

- Risk Depends on:
  - Exposure
  - Toxicity



# Exposure

- How can you be exposed to PCBs?
  - Ingestion
  - Inhalation
  - Dermal Absorption
- Primary Exposure Route at NBH:
  - Fish Consumption



# Exposure

- How much exposure depends on:
  - Concentration in fish, air etc.
  - Frequency of Exposure, for example:
    - Fish – number of meals per year
    - Air – number of hours, days of exposure
  - Duration of Exposure
    - Number of years



# Toxicity

- Cancer effects
  - Probability of cancer
  - For example, 1 in 100,000
- Noncancer effects
  - Comparison to a health-based reference level



# Cancer Risk

- Increased probability of getting cancer over a lifetime from exposure to site
- Cancer slope factor  $\times$  exposure dose
- EPA Risk Range
  - 1 in a million to 1 in ten thousand chance
  - 1 in 1,000,000 to 1 in 10,000
  - 1E-06 to 1E-04
  - $1 \times 10^{-6}$  to  $1 \times 10^{-4}$



# Noncancer Hazard

- Compares site exposure to level without appreciable risk
- Hazard Index =  $\frac{\text{Site Exposure}}{\text{Reference Dose}}$
- $HI \leq 1$ , adverse effect unlikely



# Risk-based Air Concentrations

- Resident
  - Child and Adult
  - 24 hours per day
  - 350 days per year
  
- Worker in Commercial Areas
  - Adults
  - 24 hours per day
  - 250 days per year



# Risk-based Air Concentrations

## Residential Areas

- Noncancer effects
  - 110 ng/m<sup>3</sup>
- Cancer Risk ( $1 \times 10^{-5}$ )
  - 409 ng/m<sup>3</sup>

## Commercial Areas

- Noncancer effects
  - 260 ng/m<sup>3</sup>
- Cancer Risk ( $1 \times 10^{-5}$ )
  - 894 ng/m<sup>3</sup>





# Comparison of Modeled and Risk-Based Air Concentrations

## Modeled Annual Averages

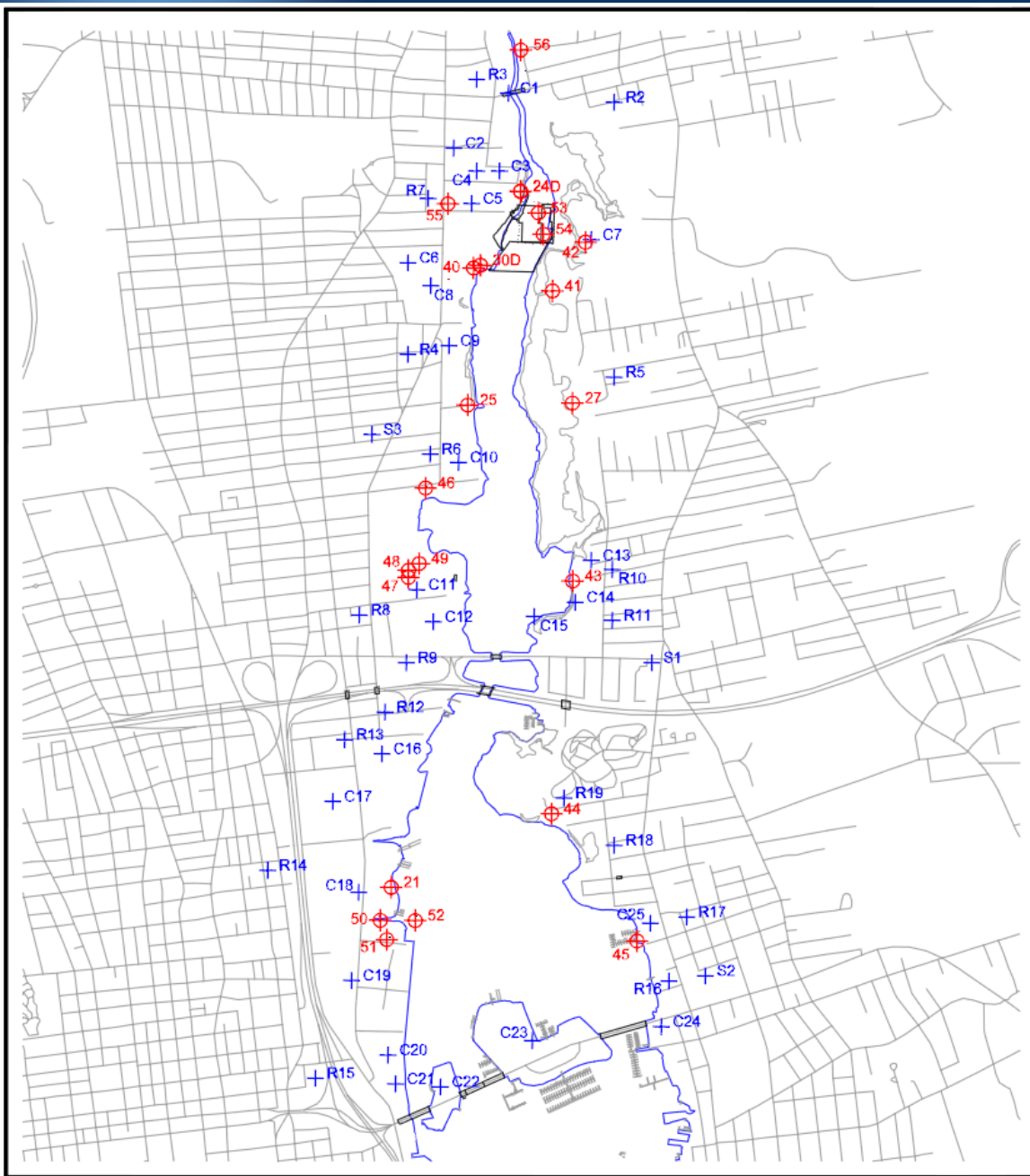
- **Residential**
  - CAD Activity - 0.207 ng/m<sup>3</sup>
  - All sources - 4.765 ng/m<sup>3</sup>
- **Commercial**
  - CAD Activity - 1.488 ng/m<sup>3</sup>
  - All sources – 32.754 ng/m<sup>3</sup>

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# Monitoring Locations And Receptors

-  Air Monitoring Station
-  Discrete Receptors



# Comparison of Cancer Risks

