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RV CLEAN WATERS TO CONDUCT SEDIMENT SAMPLING OFF ROGERS ISLAND

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(#98149) New York -- The 65-foot U.S. EPA research vessel Clean Waters has traveled up the Hudson River en route to Rogers Island where, starting next week, it will conduct sediment sampling in conjunction with the larger EPA Rogers Island Site (PCB) Assessment. An accompanying 19-foot Mako will be used for working in shallow water.

The crew on the Mako will take sediment grab samples using a ponar at 100 foot intervals in the channels east and west of the island from south of Route 197, and around the smaller unnamed islands. The crew on the Clean Waters will take both grab samples using a ponar, and sediment core samples using a vibracoring device in deeper waters around the island. We expect to be able to complete all sediment sampling by October 23.

The Clean Waters, built in 1965, has been used to conduct surveys throughout the NY/NJ Harbor, Long Island Sound, the New York Bight and the coast of New Jersey. Its on-board laboratory, winch, A-frame structure and essential equipment make it suitable for conducting all major sampling operations, including surface sediment sampling, using ponar and Smith-McIntyre samplers, and deep sediment coring, using a vibrating corer. A crew of eight environmental scientists aboard the Clean Waters and the Mako will conduct the sampling.

*For further information, visit EPA's Hudson River Website
www.epa.gov/hudson
Click on [Hudson River](#)*

Note: The sampling plan for Rogers Island is now available at the following Information Repositories:

*Washington County Clerk's Office
Washington County Office Building
Upper Broadway
Ft. Edward, NY 12828*

*Crandall Library
City Park
Glens Falls, NY 12801*

*Government Documents
Troy Public Library
100 Second Street
Troy, NY 12180*

*NYS Library
CEC Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12230*

Saratoga Springs Public Library

*49 Henry Street
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866*

The sampling plan is in an area adjacent to the documents for the Hudson River
PCBs Reassessment

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