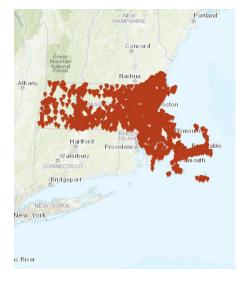
# Chemical Storage & Contamination

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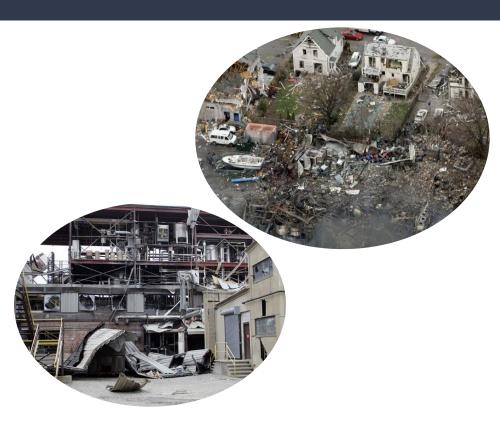
- Bhopal Disaster in India → led to the passage of the 1986 Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act.
- Love Canal (1978)
  - Brief History
    - 1940s/50s → Hooker Chemical Corporations
  - Cause and Effect
  - EPA Involvement
  - Today: Impacts of the Love Canal
    - "Many residents in the area, which was deemed safe by authorities, claim to be facing health problems" (2018, PBS)





## The Problem

- Hazardous Materials Processing regulation (527 CMR 33)
  - Implementation and Reasoning
    - Fire and explosion in Danvers, MA (2006)
      - CSB Investigation and Recommendation
    - Middleton Chemical Plant Explosion, MA (2005)
- Conservation Law Foundation vs. Exxon (Mystic River)
  - Failing to protect fuel storage tank farm from climate change

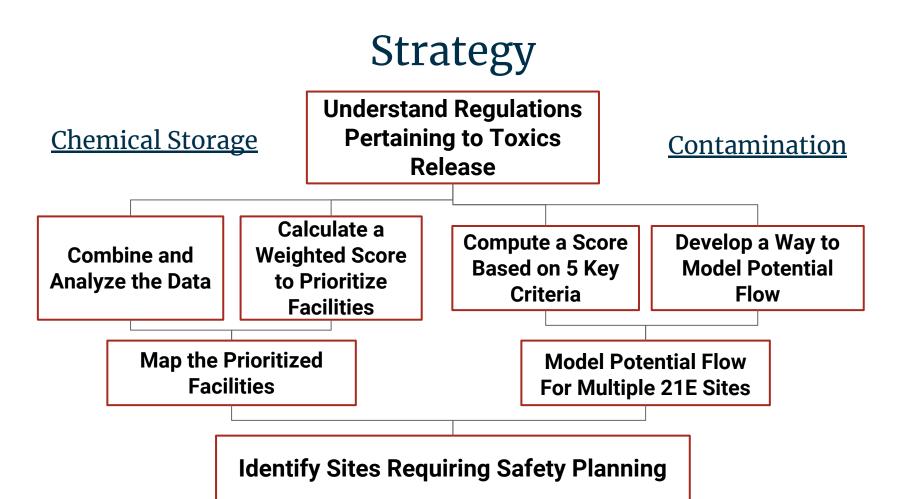




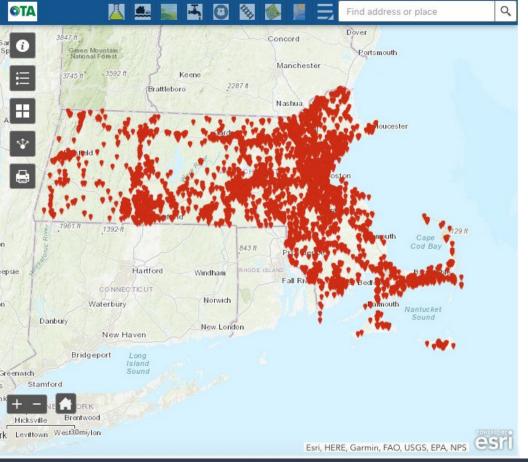
~ Ranking facilities will help prioritize emergency preparedness efforts

~ We can utilize maps and flow models to prevent dangerous contamination

~ Watershed associations, fire departments, and planning agencies can use these tools to better design safety planning



# **Chemical Storage**



### Red dots = Tier II facilities

### Data Included

Environmental Justice Boundaries Sites with chemicals (Chapter 21E, Tier II, etc.) Administrative boundaries

https://mass-eoeea.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappvie wer/index.html?id=485fe2bea40f49d3944a58ed368a7b 4d

### Map of Massachusetts Toxics Users and Vulnerability Climate Factors

## Explanation of the Data

### EPA List of Lists

- CERCLA RQ
- EPCRA:
  - EHS Section 304 RQ
  - Section 313

(taken from epa.gov)

Both include:

1. Type of

chemical

2. CAS Code

### <u>Tier II Data</u>

- Facilities
- Street Address
- Average Quantity

(from Tiffany Skogstrom)

## Devising a scoring system

- Combined data by matching chemical information with the City data using the CAS code
- Give each data point a weighted value:

Final Weight: [Reportable Quantity Weight + 3 if its a 313] \* Average Quantity of Chemical

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Arlington	2.46	7440382	Boston	1 Summer Street	Cogent Commun	ARSENIC	0.82	0.82	Arsenic	ARSENIC	
Belmont	4.2	10025737	Cambridge	77 Mass. Ave.	Massachusetts I	Chromic chloride	1.4	3.2	Chromic chloride	CHROMIC CHL	ORIDE
Boston (Hyde Pa	8	7664417	Boston	255 Southampton Street	Costas Provision	Anhydrous Amm	1	1	Ammonia	AMMONIA	
Boston (Roxbury	9	108952	Boston	360 Longwood Avenue	DFCI at the Long	Phenol	1	1	Phenol	PHENOL	
Cambridge	16	7664393	Woburn	78A Olympia Ave.	II-VI Photonics (	HF Dip	2	4	Hydrofluoric acid	HYDROFLUORI	11
Chelsea	24	1310583	Woburn	78A Olympia Ave	Photop Aegis In:	POTASSIUM HY	4	12	Potassium hydro	POTASSIUMHY	1
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East Boston	24	7664417	Medford	23 Sycamore Avenue	Crystal Cold Sto	Ammonia (anhyd	3	3	Ammonia	AMMONIA	
Malden	25	7647010	Wilmington	37 Upton Drive	Xenon Corporati	HYDROCHLORI	5	10	Hydrochloric acid	HYDROCHLOR	3
Revere	32	7664417	Boston	225 Southampton Street	Slade Gorton &	Ammonia (anhyd	4	4	Ammonia	AMMONIA	
S Boston	40	7681529	BOSTON	28 CONSTITUTION ROAD	BOSPORT DOC	BLEACH	5	5	Sodium hypochic	SODIUM HYPO	¢
Sommerville	45	506616	Malden	303 Commercial St.	Hopwood Globe	Potassium Silver	15	30	Potassium silver	POTASSIUMSIL	2
South Boston	48	12125018	Woburn	78A Olympia Ave.	II-VI Photonics (	Ammonium fluori	6	10	Ammonium fluori	AMMONIUMFLU	J.
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Winchester	48	7439921	East Boston	Logan Office Center, One H	Logan Internatio	LEAD	4	4	Lead	LEAD	
Winthrop	55	628637	Wilmington	37 Upton Drive	Xenon Corporati	AMYL ACETATE	11	23	Amyl acetate	AMYLACETATE	
Woburn	60	872504	Woburn	78A Olympia Avenue	Aegis Lightwave	N-Methyl-2-pyrro	20	35	N-Methyl-2-pyrro	METHYLPYRRO	OLIDO
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	80	75058	Boston	360 Longwood Avenue	DFCI at the Long	Acetonitrile	10	10	Acetonitrile	ACETONITRILE	

Reportable Quantity	10	100	500	1000	5000	10000
Weighted Value	9	8	7	6	5	3

## Devising a scoring system

- Sorted by weighted value and the selected cities within the Mystic River Watershed
- Removed solids that were less likely to be impacted during an emergency

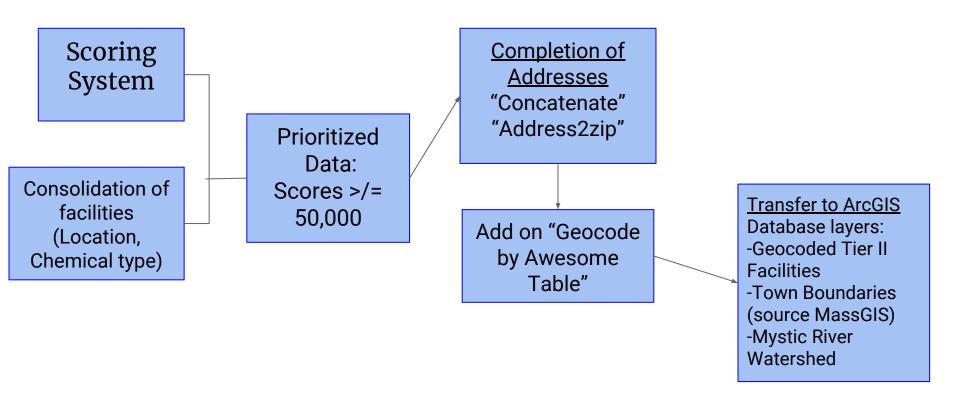
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## Priority Chemicals

Chemical Name	CERCLA RQ
Ammonium Hydroxide	1000
Aqueous Ammonia	100
Lead acid (battery acid)	10
Chlorine - any forms	10
Cyanide - any forms	1
Hychloric acid	5000
Lead acid (battery acid)	10
	5000
Methylethylketone	5000

Chemical Name	CERCLA RQ
Nitric Acid	1000
Phenols	1000
Potassium cyanide	10
Potassium Hydroxide	1000
Sodium Hydroxide	1000
Styrene monomer	100
Sulfuric Acid	1000
Toluene	1000

### Geocoding on Google Sheets



# **Contaminated Sites**

## Methods - Mapping

Data Layers Used:

- 1. Elevation and Shaded Relief (MassGIS)
- 2. Hydrography (MassGIS)
- 3. Watershed Boundaries (MassGIS)
- 4. 21 E sites (Katelyn)

Workflow:

- 1. Used sites to select the watershed boundary
- 2. Clipped elevation data to watershed boundary
- 3. Ranked sites based five key attributes to determine how dangerous they are
- 4. Ran Fill, Flow Direction, and Flow accumulation algorithms on elevation data
- 5. Created Maps showing flow accumulation for top 5 worst sites

## Methods-Mapping

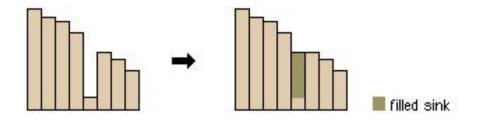
- Score was computed based on 5 attributes
- Each attribute was either a zero or a one
- Room for improvement, coefficients

Open\_site + ARS + AEPMM + Critical\_Exp\_Pathway + Imm\_Hazard

0.5\*Open\_Site + 0.75\*ARS + 1.25\*AEPMM + 2.0\*Critical\_Exp\_Pathway + 1.2\*Imm\_Hazard + Other Variables?

## Methods-Mapping

How Fill Works:



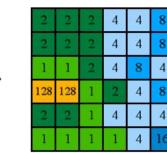
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## Methods-Mapping

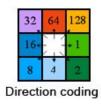
### How Flow Direction Works:

78	72	69	71	58	49
74	67	56	49	46	50
69	53	44	37	38	48
64	58	55	22	31	24
68	61	47	21	16	19
74	53	34	12	11	12

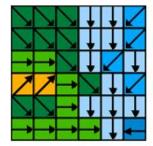
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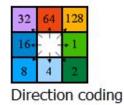
Flow direction

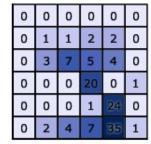


### How Flow Accumulation Works:



Flow direction





Flow accumulation

# Results

### Results- Chemical Storage

- <u>Chemical Storage Catalogue 1</u> (scores between 50,000-100,000)
- <u>Chemical Storage Catalogue 2</u> (scores over 100,000)
- Most common chemical on final list: sulfuric acid, aerosol form (23 facilities)

Marshalls Woburn Distribution Center Score: 2,228,580 Chemicals: lead, battery acid

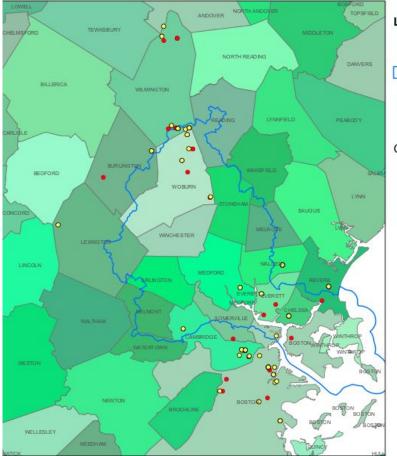


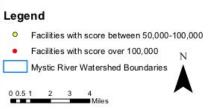
NITCO Materials Handling Solutions Score: 1,813,020 Chemicals: battery acid



Kraft Heinz Company Score: 1,291,242 Chemicals: sulfuric acid

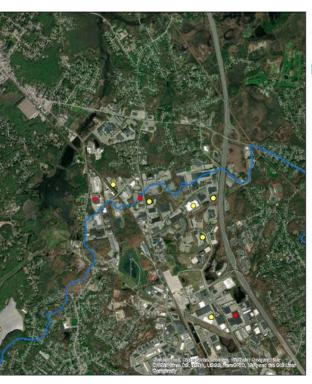






Chemical Storage Facilities Containing Acid-Based Substances

### Chemical Storage Facilities in Mystic River Watershed



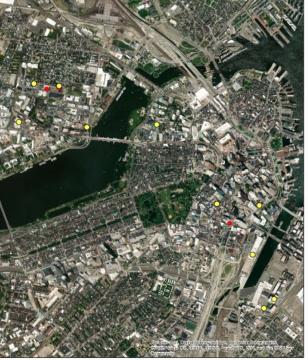
#### Legend

Facilities with score between 50,000-100,000
 Facilities with score over 100,000
 Mystic River Watershed Boundaries
00.076s15 0.3 0.45 0.6

Chemical Facilities at the Border of Wilmington and Woburn

Names of Facilities:

Hubbard Hall Inc. National Grid-Wilmington Facility NAPA Distribution Center Allcoat Technology Inc. Lightolier Fluorescent Division PCS switch Madico Inc. Arquie Inc.



#### Legend



Chemical Facilities In Metro Boston and Cambridge

Names of Facilities

MSC Switch/Transportation Location Level 3 Communications Kendall Green Energy LLC Massachusetts General Hospital (MC) Morgan Services, INC. AT&T (MA3520) Century Link Boston Switch US Postal Service Boston VMF Zayo Colocation

### Focused Clusters of Facilities

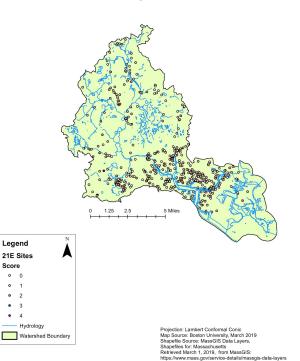
### Results-Contamination

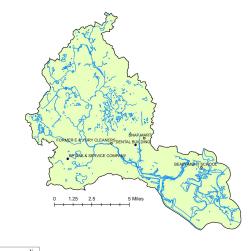
#### 21E Sites in the Mystic Watershed

#### Worst 5 Sites in the Mystic Watershed

#### **Flow Direction for Mystic Watershed**

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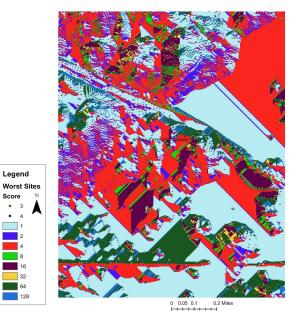
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### **BP** Gas

**BP Gas Flood Path** BP GAS & SERVICE COMPANY Legend Worst Sites Score 0 0.05 0.1 0.2 Miles -----• 3 • 4 Projection: Lambert Conformal Conic Hydrology Map Source: Boston University, March 2019 Shapefile Source: MassGIS Data Layers, Not Stream Shapefiles for: Massachusetts Retrieved March 1, 2019, from MassGIS: Stream

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#### **BP Gas Flow Direction**



Legend

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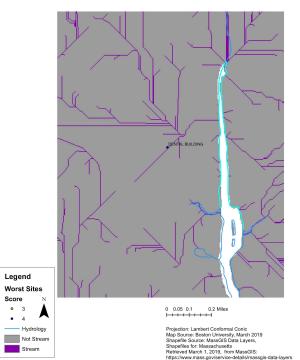
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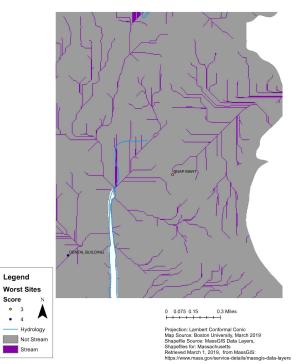
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**Dental Building Flood Path** 



### SnapMart

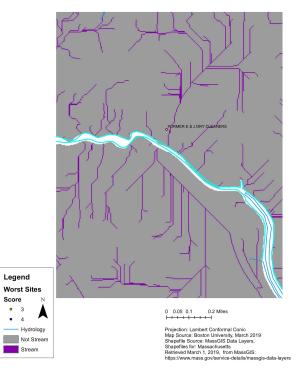
Snap Mart Flood Path



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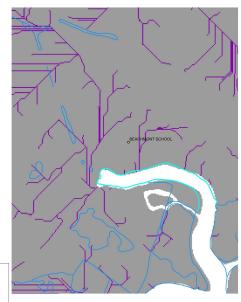
## Dry Cleaners

**Dry Cleaners Flood Path** 



### **Beaumont School**

#### **Beachmont School Flood Path**



Legend Worst Sites Score • 3

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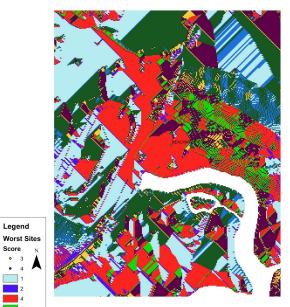
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#### **Beachmont School Flow Direction**



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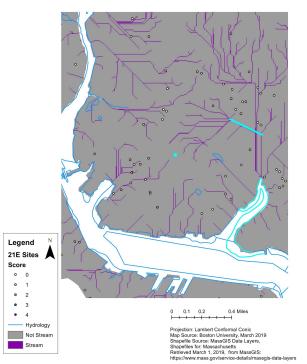
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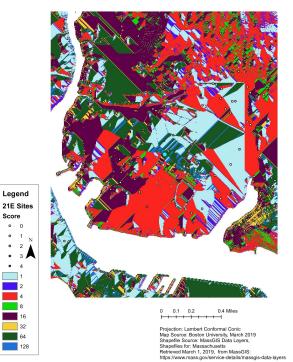
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### ExxonMobile

#### ExxonMobile Flood Path



#### **ExxonMobile Flow Direction**



### Further Goals

### Chemical Storage Project

- Refine scoring system
- Explore data without weighted scores (ex. Petroleum, Hydraulic Acid, Propane, Diesel)
- Create prioritized data for other chemicals
- Map prioritized data onto FEMA flooding map → locate facilities in areas vulnerable to flooding

### **Contamination Project**

- Refine Scoring system
- Buffer (200m, 100m, 50m)