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New Bedford Harbor Superfund Site: Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah) and Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe

<u>Case Study:</u> <u>Tribe</u> <u>Information</u>	ancestral lands of the Wampanoag Wampanoag Tribe. The site exten River estuary, south through the h community traditionally uses rive ceremonial practices.	located in four cities in Bristol County, MA on the g Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah) and Mashpee ads from the northern reaches of the Acushnet narbor, and into Buzzards Bay. The Wampanoag r waters and wetland areas for cultural and ead (Aquinnah) signed a MOU (2002) to oversee n cultural resources.
EPA NPL Status Information Map Key Air Monitoring Locations 4 Mile Buffer -	 Recent Site History: Two commercial electronic manufacturers operated 18,000 acre sites until the late 1970s. As a result of poor disposal practices, PCB contamination in the New Bedford area is widespread. The harbor is contaminated at least 6 miles from the Acushnet River to Buzzards Bay. Seafood from the area has been documented to contain PCBs. Response activities: The site was listed on the NPL in 1983. The remedial design /remedial action phase has started. NPL documents of interest may be available through ITEP's resource library or online at: http://www.epa.gov/new- 	
Primary Contaminants	 bedford-harbor Arsenic Cadmium Chromium Copper Lead PCBs Zinc 	Contacts ITEP's Tribal Waste & Response Program: Todd Barnell, Todd Barnell, todd.barnell@nau.edu Julie Jurkowski, julie.jurkowski@nau.edu State