CHEMICAL SAFETY &



CLIMATE CHANGE RESILIENCY

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Rhonda Ragsdale @profragsdale



There is a thick smell of oil in the air downtown #Houston

11:25 AM - Aug 27, 2017

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@rth02



@DisasterPIO There is a widespread gas smell in Houston's

East End. Any info?

12:52 PM - Aug 27, 2017

Q3 1134 C 13







Raquel de Anda





Rancid chemical smell near Houston @ValeroEnergy refinery. What's going on? Why all the flaring? Folks Can't Breathe #HurricaneHarvery

2:20 PM - Aug 27, 2017

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First responders file suit against Arkema over 'serious bodily injuries' in Houston chemical plant fire after Hurricane Harvey

- First responders filed a lawsuit in Harris Count court alleging Arkema failed to take adequate safety steps to secure dangerous chemicals ahead of Hurricane Harvey
- The lawsuit filed by seven police, fire and emergency service workers seeks at least \$1 million

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Floods

Chemical Releases & Spills Emergency Shutdowns

Extreme Heat

Chemical Temperature
Explosion Risks
Drought (Cooling / Fire
Suppression)

Climate Change & Chemical Releases

Extreme Cold

Power Outages Frozen pipes HVAC Failure

Storms

Power Outages
HVAC Failure
Infrastructure Failure



Dangerous Chemical?

Human /
Environmental
Contact?





Potential for Hazard?

EVALUATE RISKS









Chemical Properties

Toxic Flammable Combustible

Weather Risks

Flood Hurricane Freezing

Heat

Chemical Storage

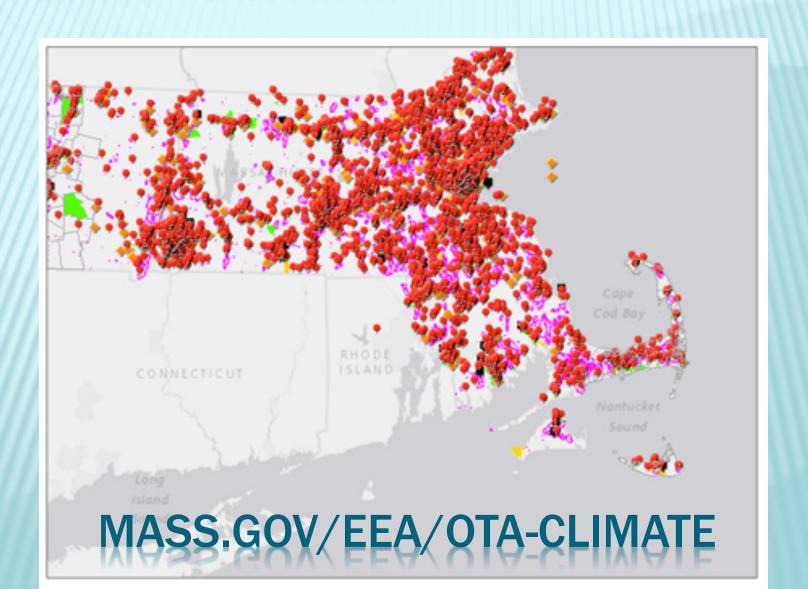
Secondary Containment Compatibility

Toxics Use Reduction

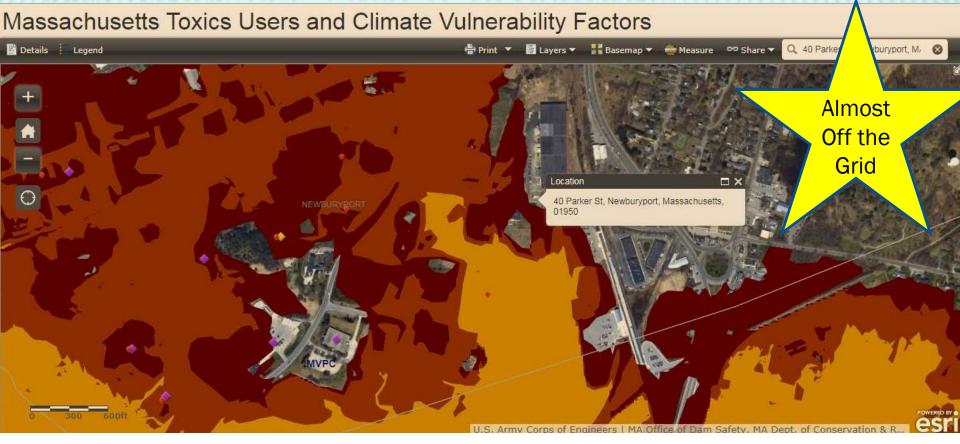
Product
Substitution
Reduce
Inventory
Engineering

Are You Prepared For The Worst Case Scenario?

IDENTIFY YOUR RISKS



MARK RICHEY WOODWORKING - ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND TOXICS USE / WASTE REDUCTION



Reductions:



120 gallons lacquer thinner / acetone / other chemicals per year

1,200 gallons denatured alcohol per year

12 tons VOCs per year

Savings of \$16,435

Training Results

Total People Trained	428
Total Municipal Training Attendees	192
Total Business Training Attendees	236
Total Companies Visited by OTA in Relation to Grant	54

WPI FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- ➤ Desire for hands on / mock incident exercises
- * Found chemical and climate mapping useful
- * Desire for more online tools
- Trainings used as a networking opportunity between companies / first responders
- * Trainings available as webinars
- ★ Focus on severe regional weather (winter weatherization / hurricanes / etc.)
- ➤ Desire for more specificity in trainings (type of chemical / facility / etc.)

QUOTES FROM PARTICIPANTS

- * It is a 'no brainer' to use OTA services.
- * OTA is a great resource to have.
- * For us (OTA Services) were very beneficial. We've made some terrific contacts, just in terms of knowing people who can get some information.
- * Thanks to our OTA connections, we were able to call in state OSHA... And I figure we got probably \$8,000 to \$12,000 worth of free industrial hygiene consulting.

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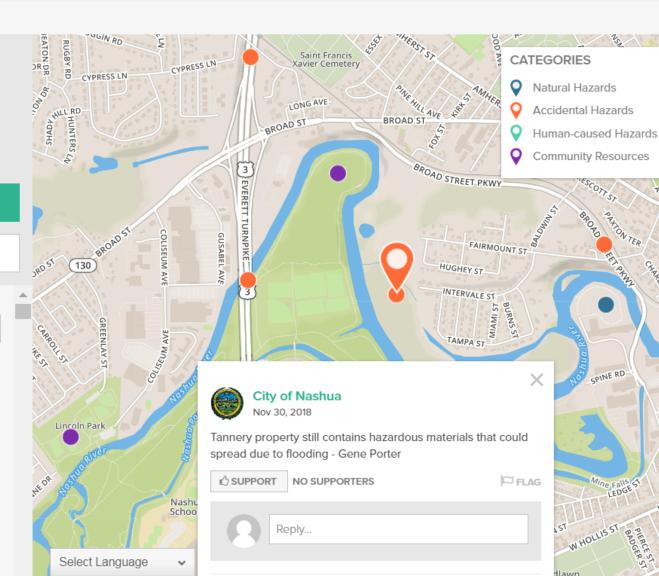
What and where are the community resources (i.e. Greely park, community firestation) that make Nashua a great place to live?

Mines Falls makes Nashua an amazing place to live. It is great having all of the benefits of living in a city but also having such a large park and trails to stay active and enjoy the outdoors.

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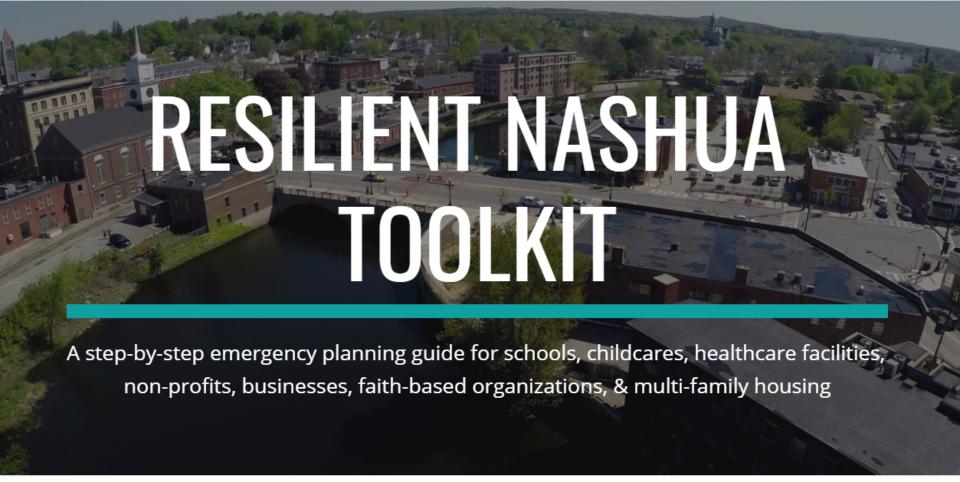






Resilient Nashua Toolkit





WELCOME TO THE RESILIENT NASHUA TOOLKIT!

OPPORTUNITIES

OTA Site Visits, Map, Resources

Engage with your L/REPC

Unite
Chemical
Safety &
Emergency

TURI or Dept of Industrial Accidents (DIA) Grants

Preparedness

Toxics Use Reduction Plans Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Program

THANK YOU!



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