



# Background Event Sampling Report: Richmond Community Air Monitoring Program

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## 1 Report Document Control

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## 2 Introduction

The following report summarizes the monthly background data generated by the event sampling systems as part of the Richmond Community Air Monitoring Program (RCAMP). RCAMP is an independent initiative designed to provide air quality data to the general public, and to educate the community about what is in the air. The air quality monitoring equipment (including installation) was funded by Chevron in consultation with the City of Richmond. Ongoing operation, maintenance, and data reporting is managed by Argos Scientific, Inc., with direction from the City Manager's Office, and input from Chevron and community representatives.

In addition to real-time monitoring, each community location is equipped discrete air monitoring equipment, which is designed to activate on a schedule or when manually triggered. The discrete monitoring is used to collect background data. It will then be activated monthly for QA/QC purposes and also activated during an event. The data collected for this report is for background purposes.

This report details the information collected by the Volatile Organic Compound (VOC), Poly Aromatic Hydrocarbon (PAH), and the Metals sampling systems installed at the community air monitoring stations located in the neighborhoods of Atchison Village, North Richmond and Point Richmond. Samples were collected from June 11, 2014 at 02:00 PM to June 12, 2014 at 02:00 PM at North Richmond and Atchison Village. Samples were collected on June 24, 2014 at 12:00 PM to June 25, 2014 at 12:00 PM at Point Richmond. The reason for the delay in sampling at Point Richmond was the power to the samplers failed during the collection period on June 11. The circuit was repaired and the samples were collected on June 25. The remainder of the report provides a summary of the average wind direction patterns during the sample collection period, and the results of the Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) checks. Appendix A lists the California and Federal Health limits published for substances relevant to the RCAMP.

## 3 Results

### 3.1 VOC Sample Results

This section of the report presents the results for VOC samples collected.

Table 3.1: VOC Sample Results 06/11/2014 at Atchison Village and North Richmond, 06/24/2014 at Point Richmond

Compound	Atchison Village (ppb)	Point Richmond (ppb)	North Richmond (ppb)
1,3-Butadiene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Benzene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Carbon Tetrachloride	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Dichloromethane	Nothing Detected	400	Nothing Detected
Ethyl Benzene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
m,p-Xylene	0.8	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
o-Xylene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Tetrachloroethylene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Toluene	1.4	1.7	1.1
Vinyl Chloride	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected

### 3.2 PAH Sample Results

This section of the report presents the results for PAH samples collected.

Table 3.2: PAH Sample Results 06/11/2014 at Atchison Village and North Richmond, 06/24/2014 at Point Richmond

Compound	Atchison Village (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Point Richmond (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	North Richmond (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )
2-Chloronaphthalene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
2-Methylnaphthalene	0.0650	0.0033	0.0110
Acenaphthene	0.0170	0.0036	0.0057
Acenaphthylene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Anthracene	0.0033	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Benzo(a)anthracene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Benzo(a)pyrene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Benzo(g,h,i)perylene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Chrysene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Fluoranthene	0.0097	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Fluorene	0.0270	0.0082	0.0068
Indeno(1,2,3-c,d)pyrene	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Naphthalene	0.0710	0.0047	0.0300
Phenanthrene	0.0530	0.0110	0.0120
Pyrene	0.0046	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected

### 3.3 Metals Sample Results

This section of the report presents the results for Metals samples collected.

Table 3.3: Metals Sampling Results 06/11/2014 at Atchison Village and North Richmond, 06/24/2014 at Point Richmond

Elements	Atchison Village (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Point Richmond (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	North Richmond (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )
Aluminum	0.103	Nothing Detected	0.035
Antimony	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Arsenic	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Barium	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Cadmium	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Calcium	0.459	0.021	0.2062
Chromium	Nothing Detected	0.0029	0.003
Cobalt	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Copper	0.0951	0.0173	0.0096
Gallium	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Germanium	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Indium	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Iron	0.2703	0.0111	0.3237
Lanthanum	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Lead	0.0129	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Magnesium	0.6497	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Manganese	0.0061	Nothing Detected	0.0067
Mercury	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Molybdenum	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Nickel	0.0032	0.021	0.0046
Palladium	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Potassium	0.4107	0.018	0.0903
Rubidium	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	0.0012
Silicon	0.3035	Nothing Detected	0.1118
Silver	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Sodium	6.414	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Strontium	0.0069	Nothing Detected	0.0031
Tin	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	0.0122
Titanium	0.014	Nothing Detected	0.0229
Vanadium	0.0041	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Yttrium	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected
Zinc	0.0193	Nothing Detected	0.042
Zirconium	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected	Nothing Detected



3.4 Wind Roses

Figure 3.1: Atchison Village

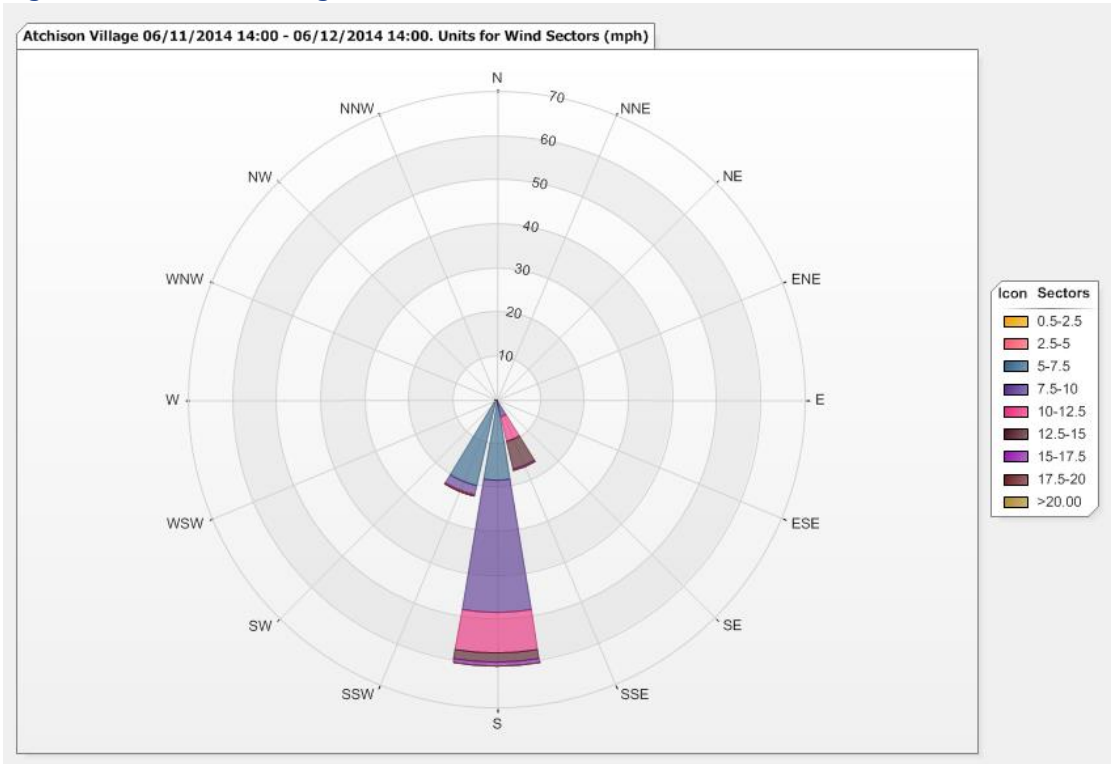


Figure 3.2: Point Richmond

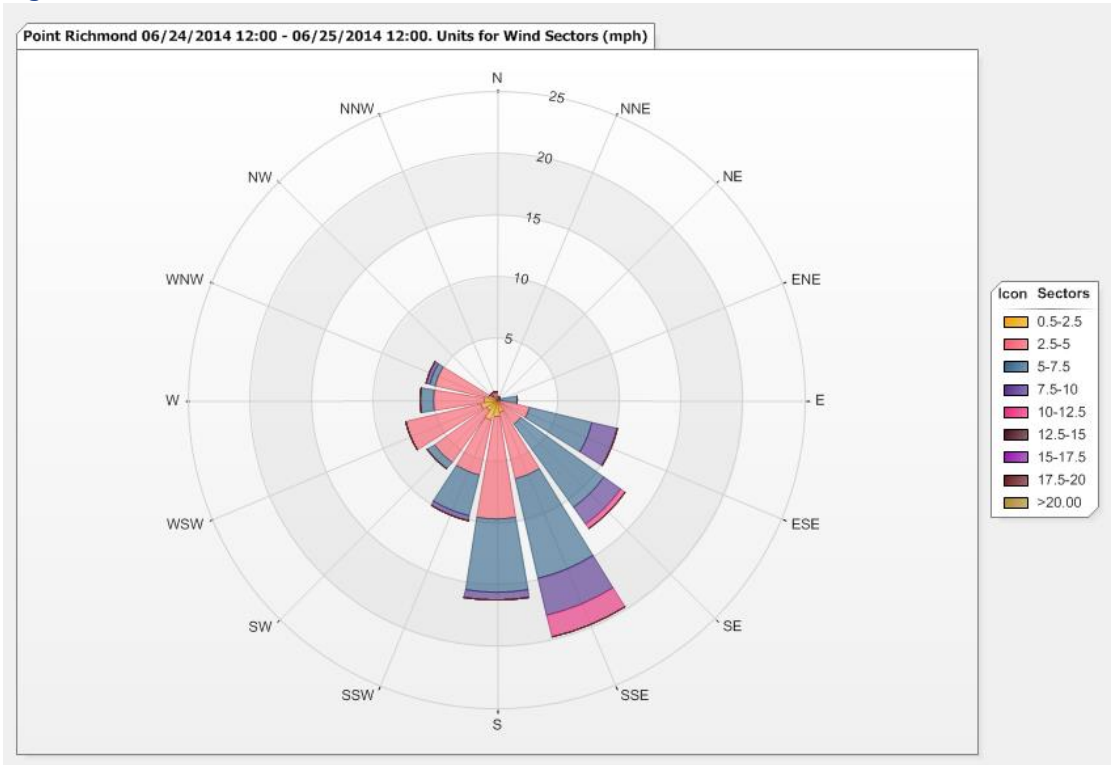
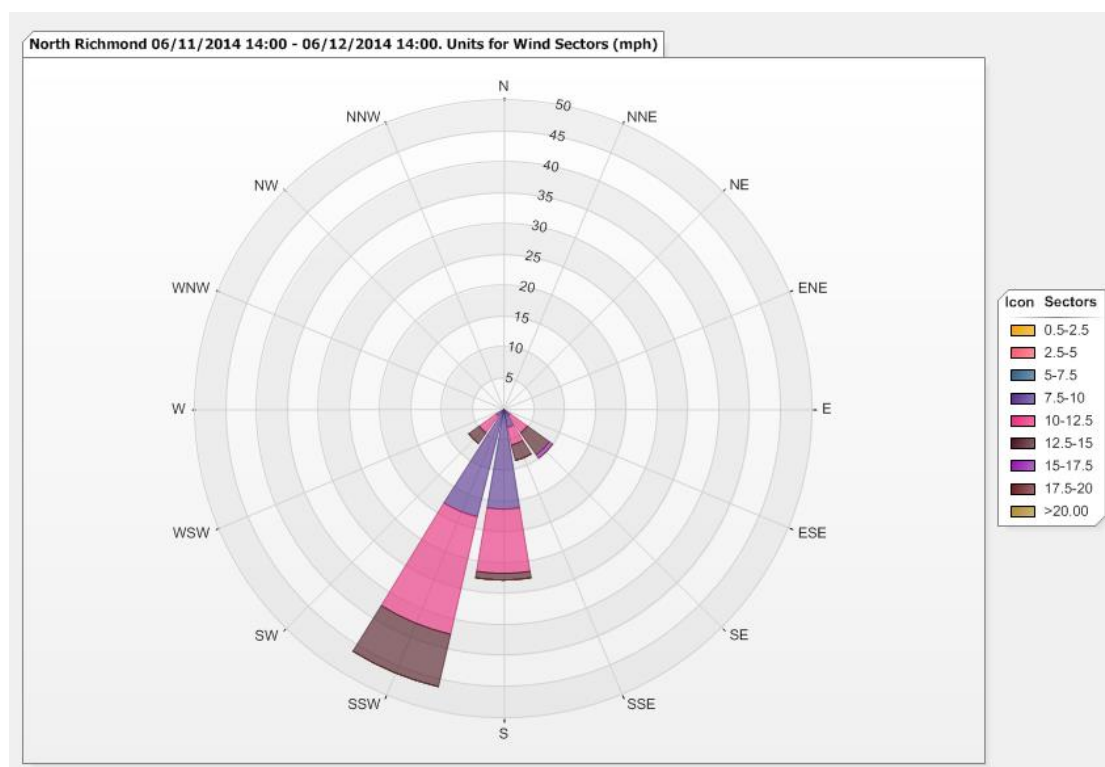


Figure 3.3: North Richmond



### 3.5 QA/QC Checks

Table 3.4: Atchison Village QA/QC

Instrument	Sample Date	Sample Time	Chain of Custody	Passed QA/QC
VOC	06/11/2014	24 hrs	Yes	Yes
PAH	06/11/2014	24 hrs	Yes	Yes
Metals	06/11/2014	24 hrs	Yes	Yes

Table 3.5: Point Richmond QA/QC

Instrument	Sample Date	Sample Time	Chain of Custody	Passed QA/QC
VOC	06/24/2014	24 hrs	Yes	Yes
PAH	06/24/2014	24 hrs	Yes	Yes
Metals	06/24/2014	24 hrs	Yes	Yes

Table 3.6: North Richmond QA/QC

<b>Instrument</b>	<b>Sample Date</b>	<b>Sample Time</b>	<b>Chain of Custody</b>	<b>Passed QA/QC</b>
<b>VOC</b>	06/11/2014	24 hrs	Yes	Yes
<b>PAH</b>	06/11/2014	24 hrs	Yes	Yes
<b>Metals</b>	06/11/2014	24 hrs	Yes	Yes

# Appendix A: California and Federal Health Limits

Gas/Compound	Acute Health Limit	Chronic Health Limit	Source
Arsenic		0.015 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	CA
Benzene	8 ppb	1 ppb	CA
1-3 Butadiene	298 ppb	1 ppb	CA
Cadmium		0.02 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	CA
Calcium	-	5 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	Federal
Carbon Tetrachloride	302 ppb	6 ppb	CA
Copper	100 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	-	CA
Dichlormethane	4,035 ppb	115 ppb	CA
Ethylbenzene		461 ppb	CA
Lead	1.5 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.15 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	CA/Federal
Manganese	0.17 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.09 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	CA
Naphthalene	-	9 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	CA
Nickel	0.2 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.014 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	CA
Pyrene	-	9 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	Federal
Selenium	-	20 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	CA
Silica	-	3 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	CA
Toluene	9,814 ppb	80 ppb	CA
Vinyl Chloride	70,588 ppb		CA
m,p-Xylene	5,069ppb	161 ppb	CA

## Sources for Health Limits

California health standards were obtained from the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment. This organization is responsible for conducting health risk assessments of chemical contaminants found in air. This includes studying the health impacts on sensitive subpopulations such as children and the elderly.

Federal health standards were obtained from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The EPA publishes regulations and sets air quality standards for the nation.

## General Health Limits for Metals:

Copper, Lead, and Manganese all have published health limits. However, in general, the EPA sets health limits for metals and other elements based on an estimate that they should not exceed 10% of the particulates in an ambient air

sample. Since the EPA's annual limit for Particulate Matter (PM) smaller than 10 microns should not exceed  $50 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ , the annual exposure to these elements should not exceed  $5 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ .