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The Massachusetts Office of Dispute Resolution Announces
Agenda for New Bedford Harbor Superfund Site Public Forum

Boston - The fifth in a series of facilitated meetings to discuss the New Bedford Harbor Superfund project is scheduled for Wednesday, February 9 at 6:00 p.m. at the Greater New Bedford Vocational High School. The public is encouraged to attend. Topics to be discussed are recommendations on dredging the hot spot from the harbor, development of a plan for reviewing alternative PCB treatment technologies, and a report from the subcommittee on a proposal to establish the Center for Excellence, a research and development facility.

Jane Wells, Deputy Director of the Massachusetts Office of Dispute Resolution, said "While there are representatives from various groups and agencies at the table, it is important for the public to be involved and understand important local issues being discussed."

Participants in these meetings include members of local citizen groups, representatives from the towns of Acushnet and Fairhaven, the New Bedford City Council, the New Bedford Mayor's office, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, a State Senator, a State Representative, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.