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Peace Bridge Neighborhood Air Quality Study: 3rd Data Review Meeting

Data: 2nd Qtr 2015

Presentation: September 2, 2015

About the Study: Design

One full year of monitoring - August 2014 to (August – September) 2015

Objective: Seasonal pollutant profiles and annual VOC/Carbonyl data

Study goal: to increase understanding of the impact of mobile source emissions (BC, VOCs, Carbonyls and UFP)

Downwind Site - Busti Avenue near Rhode Island Street

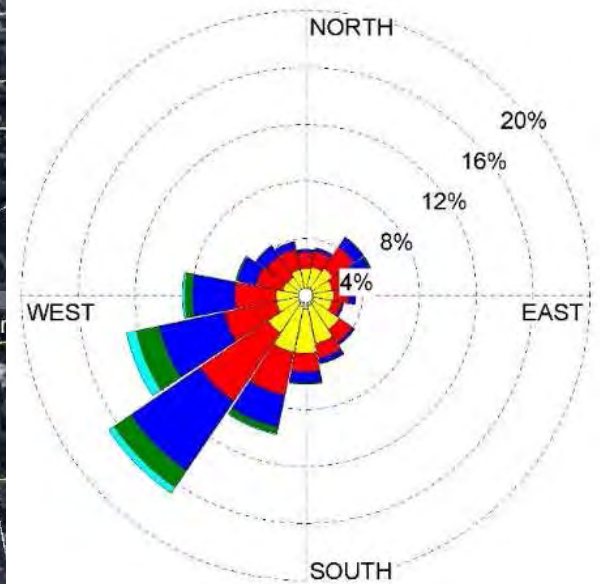
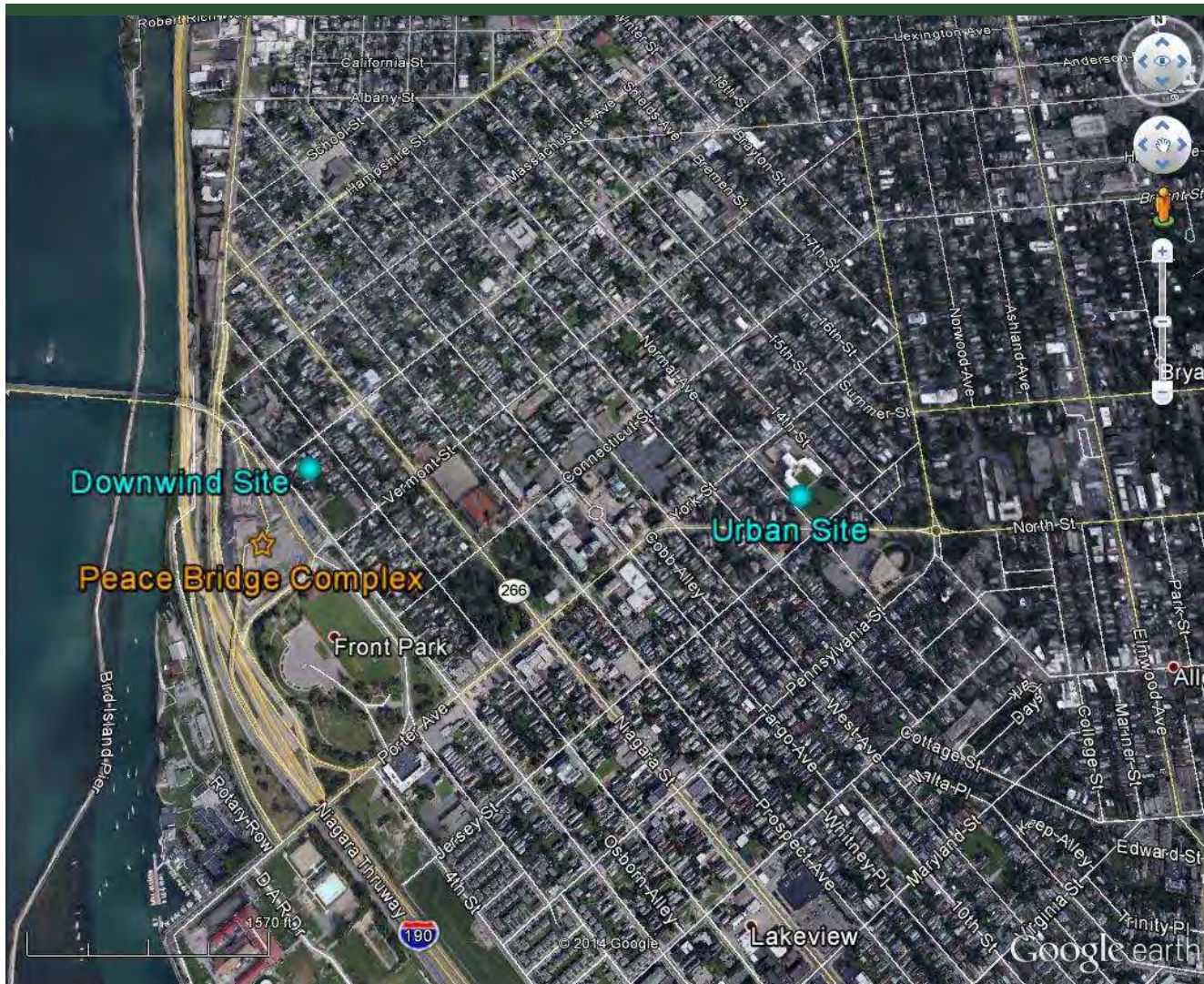
Source impact site is within the residential neighborhood

Urban Site - PS198 International Preparatory School

Background site is away from Bridge and within the same community

Community Sampling Effort – Citizen Science

Trained volunteers from Clean Air Coalition of Western New York



2005-2009 Met Data
from Buffalo Airport



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Busti Avenue Downwind Site

The site is now on Google Maps
The shelter is about 40 yards from the Peace Bridge Plaza and more than 200 yards from I-190



Downwind Site (Busti Ave)

The Peace Bridge has a slow moving “crawl” AADT: 16,556

I-190 AADT: (10% HDD)

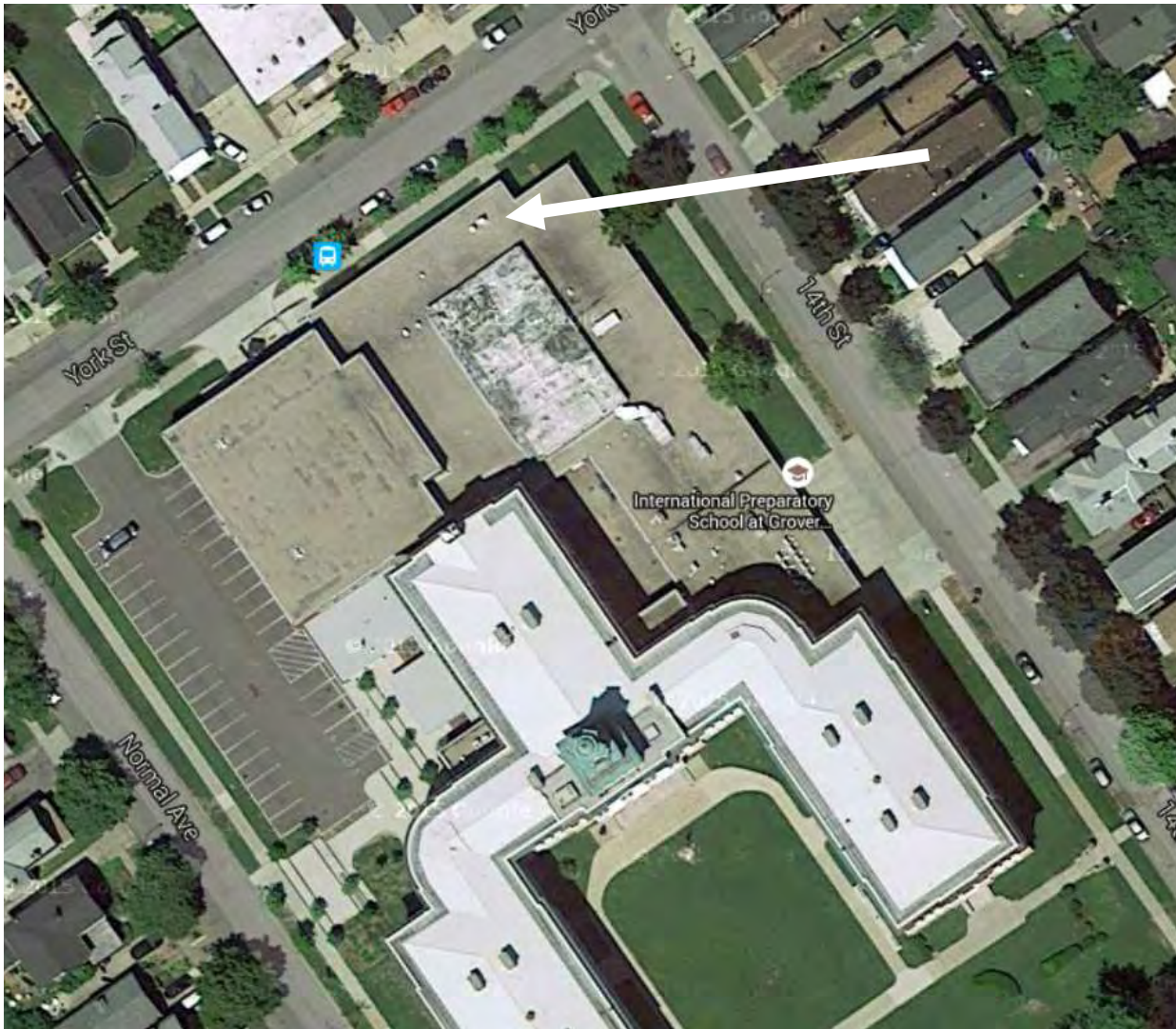
78,920 South of the Bridge

67,609 North of the Bridge



Urban Site at PS198

The site is now on Google Maps
It is on the corner of 14th and York St



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Urban Site at PS198

PM-2.5 & BC

This urban background site is away from the Peace Bridge and I-190 but within the community

Black Carbon

PM2.5

Near Road Site for the Buffalo/Niagara CBSA



The EPA requires a monitor to determine the impact of emissions from motor vehicles in cities with Population > 1 Million

NO₂, PM-2.5 and CO

The site is on I-90 between Exit 51 and 52

AADT is 131,019



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What's New?

An API 651 UFP monitor was added to the Peace Bridge Study urban background site June 11th. Data will be collected during the summer when traffic is heaviest on the Peace Bridge.

An API 651 was also added to the Buffalo Near Road site on the same day.



Data Collection: Dates in 2014 & 2015

Busti Avenue Site

- PM-2.5, Meteorological, BC: 8/11/14 – 9/30/15
- Ultrafine Particle Data (UFP): 9/24/14 – 9/30/15
- (VOC) and Carbonyl sample collection 8/15/14 – 9/30/15

PS 198

- BC: 8/21/14 – 9/30/15
- PM-2.5: 8/26/14 – 9/30/15
- UFP: 6/11/15 – 9/30/15 (summer deployment – highest bridge traffic)

Peace Bridge and I-190 Traffic

- Vehicle transit and delay data available Monthly

Instrumentation: Ultrafine Particle Number



UFP (0.001-0.1 Microns)

API Model 651, TSI 3783

Water CPC

Lower size cut 7nm

(0.007 microns)

1 Micron Cyclone Inlet

2nd Unit was on Loan
from the Manufacturer

Instrumentation: PM-2.5 and Data Logger



Thermo Environmental Inc. TEOM 1400B

- 1-Hour Data Average
- Near-Real Time data Availability
- 2.5 Micron Cyclone Inlet
- Sample Collection at 50⁰ C

Envidas Data Logger

- Provides data polling, storage and communication with central database



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Instrumentation: Aethalometer for Black Carbon



Magee Scientific Model AE22 and the newer Model AE33

- Measures light attenuation due to particle load on filter tape at 2 or 7 wavelengths
- Near-Real time data availability
- Data must be post processed
- BC absorbs light 1000x other species
- $UV - BC = DC$ (330 & 880nm)
- DC has been associated with combustion of biomass (indicator for wood smoke)

Instrumentation: VOCs, Carbonyls



Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) & Carbonyls

- Computer controlled sampler
 - VOC collected with SUMMA canister
 - Carbonyl collected in DNPH cartridge
- 24-hr air sample collected once every 6 days
- Laboratory analysis of sample

Benzene

DEC Network and Peace Bridge Sampling
August 2014 - June 2015

Monitor Sited to
Capture Sources

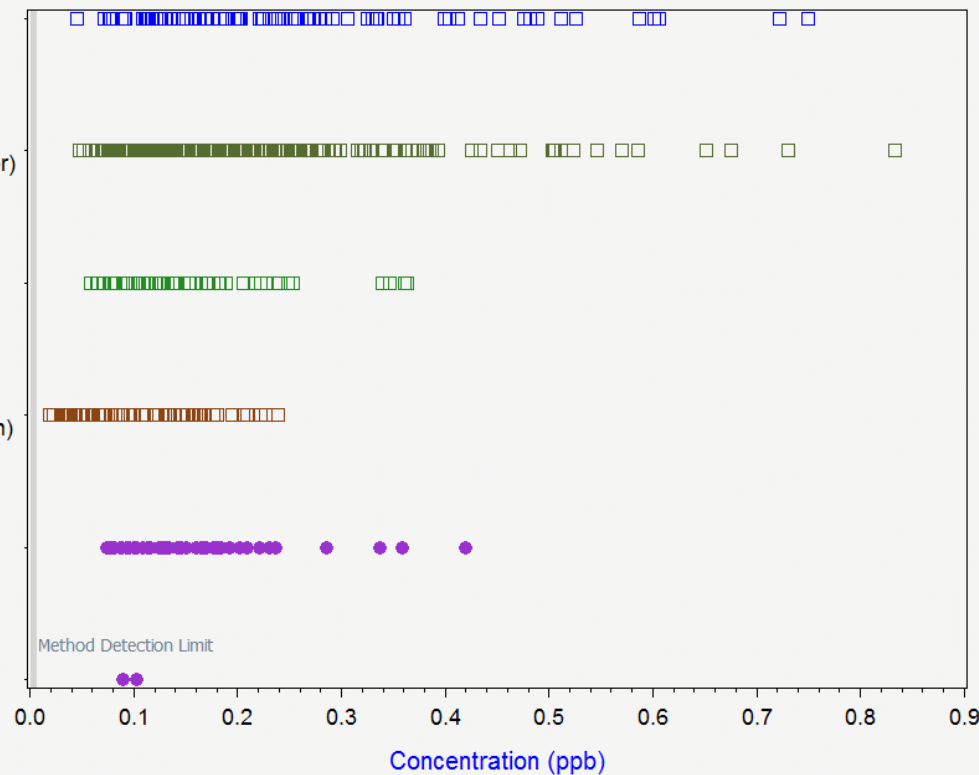
Urban Locations
(Buffalo, NYC, Rochester)

Suburban Locations

Rural Location
(Pinnacle, Whiteface Mtn)

Peace Bridge
Monitoring

Peace Bridge
Community Sampling



Benzene primarily from
mobile sources

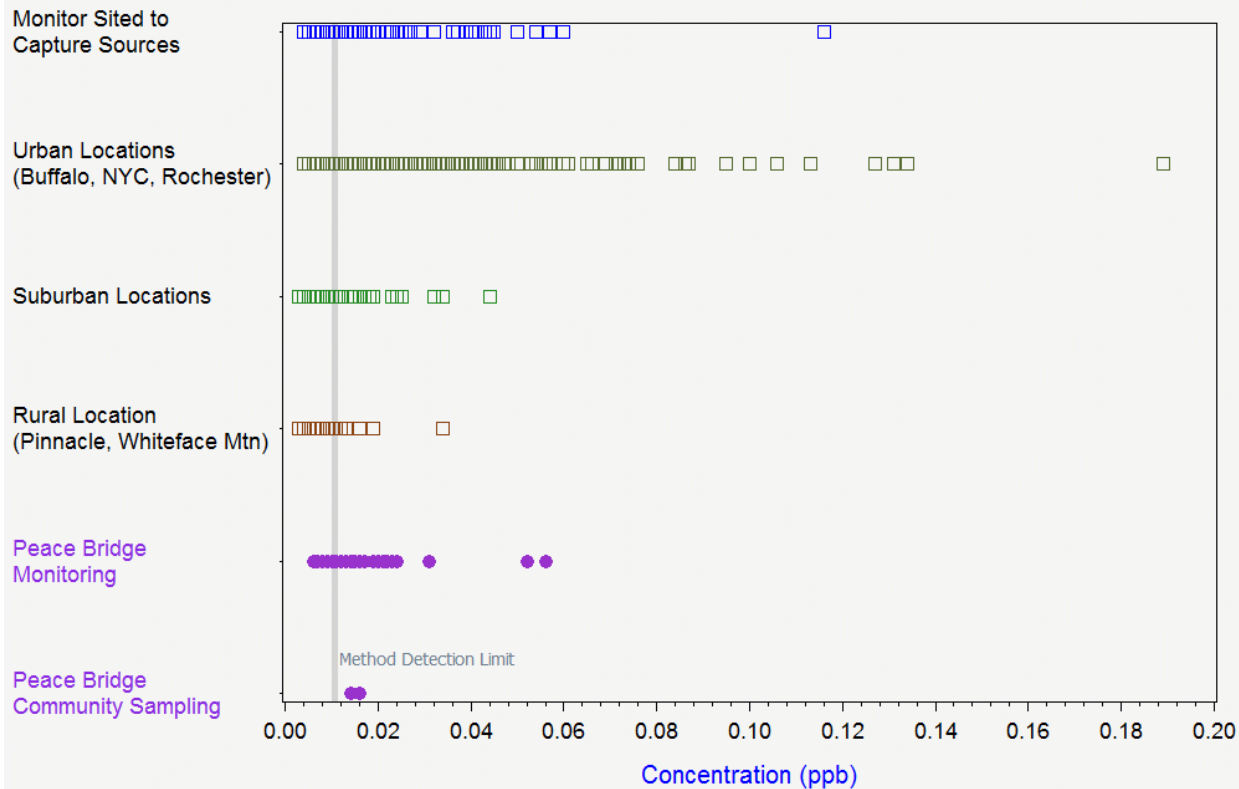
Concentrations are
similar to other urban
and suburban areas of
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1,3-Butadiene

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m,p-Xylene

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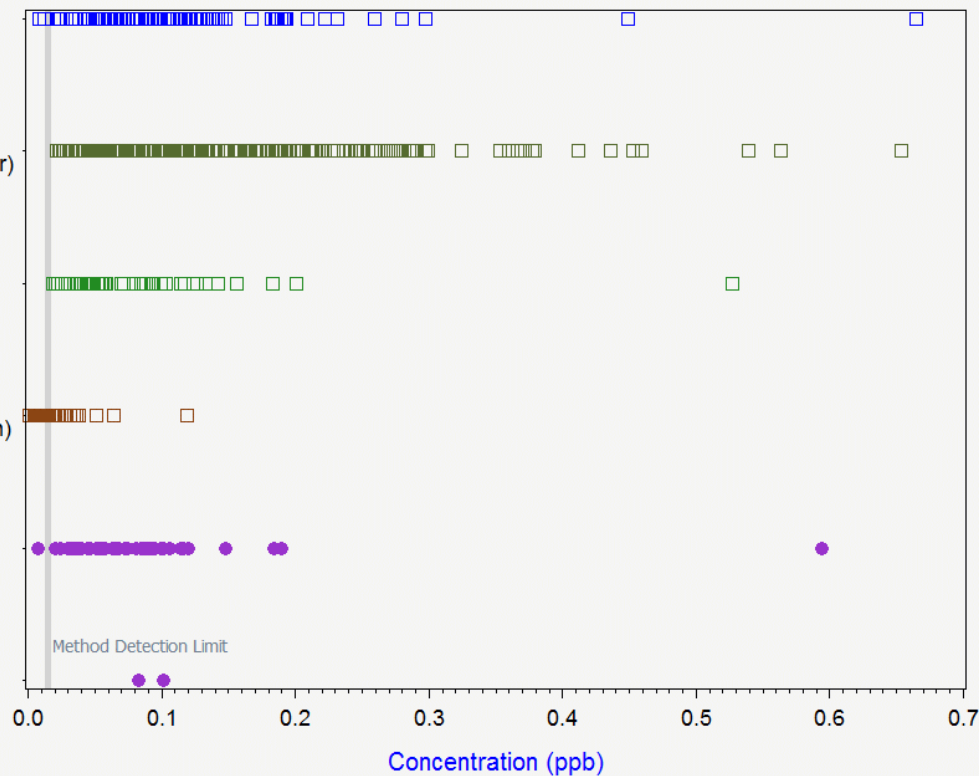
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Acetaldehyde

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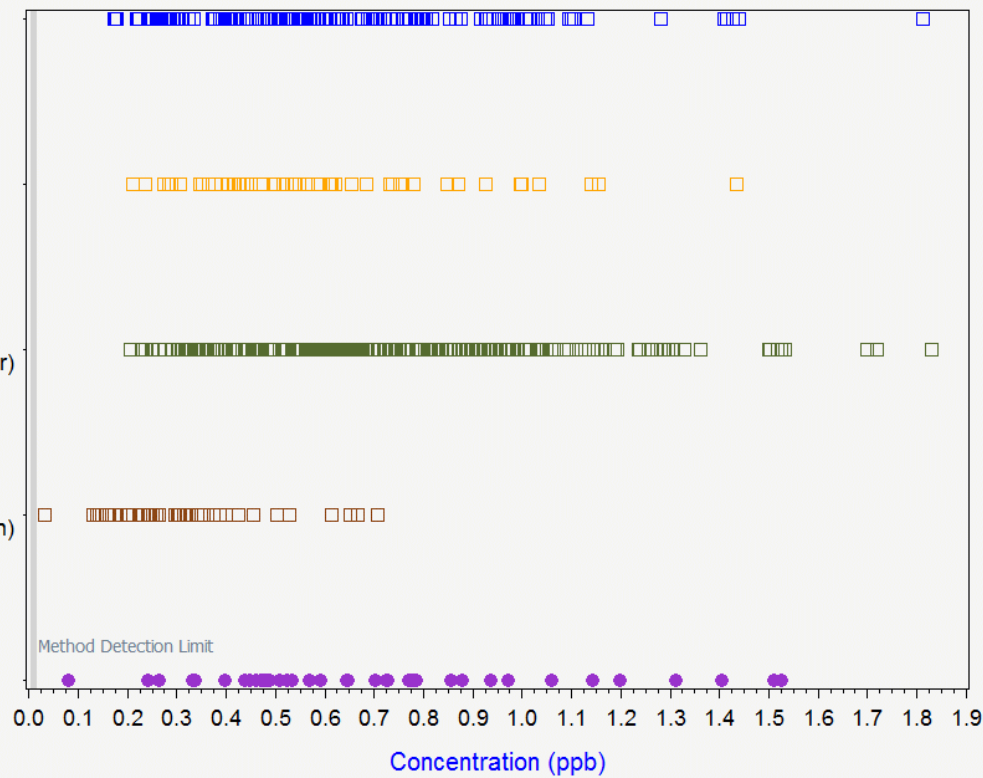
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Near-Road
(Buffalo, Rochester)

Urban Locations
(Albany, NYC, Rochester)

Rural Location
(Pinnacle, Whiteface Mtn)

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Formaldehyde

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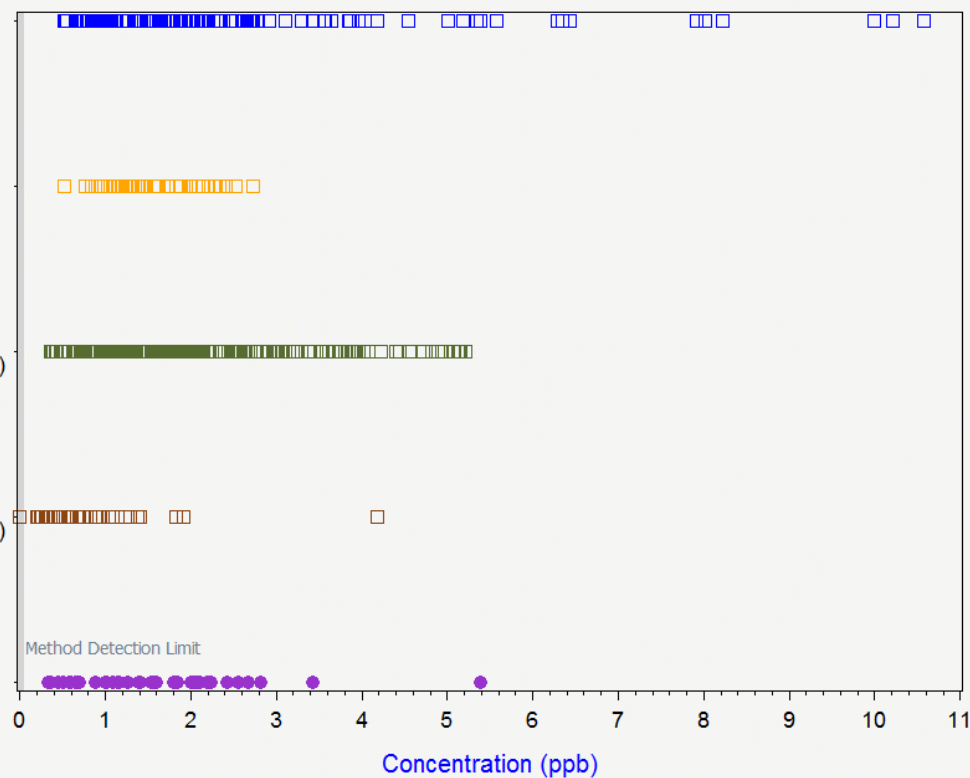
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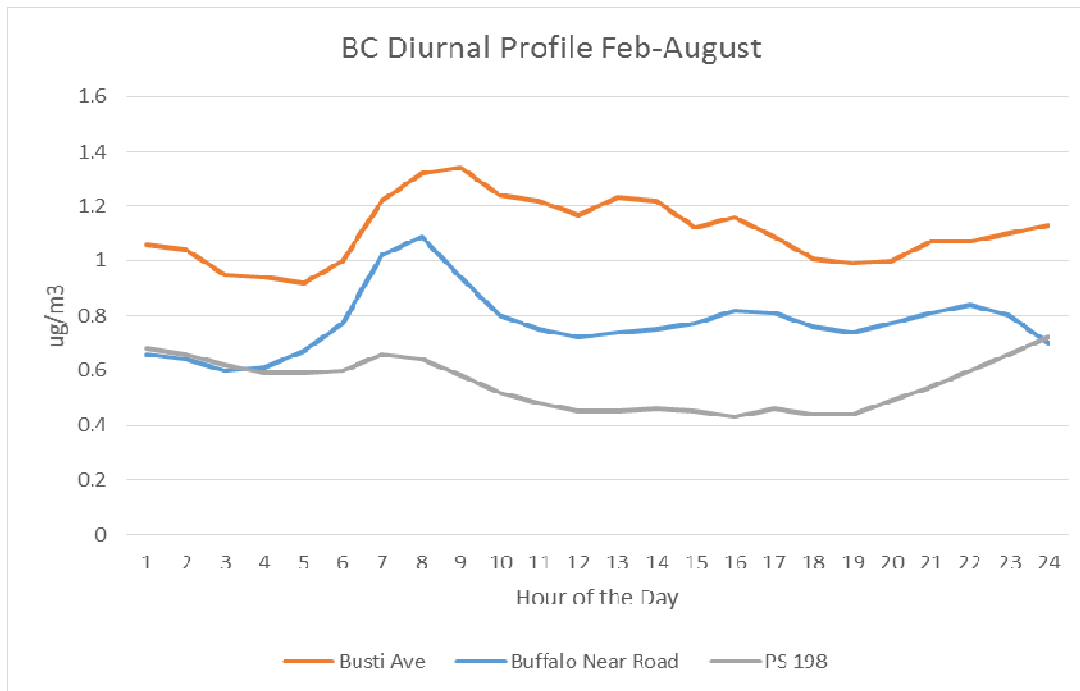
2nd Quarter Summary: Averages

| | <u>Busti Avenue</u> | <u>PS 198</u> | <u>% Difference</u> |
|--------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| PM-2.5 | 7.9 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ | 6.3 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ | 22% |
| BC | 0.94 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ | 0.45 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ | 70% |

Both sites are well below the Annual NAAQS for PM-2.5 (12 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)

BC has a stronger gradient and is a better indicator of mobile source emissions

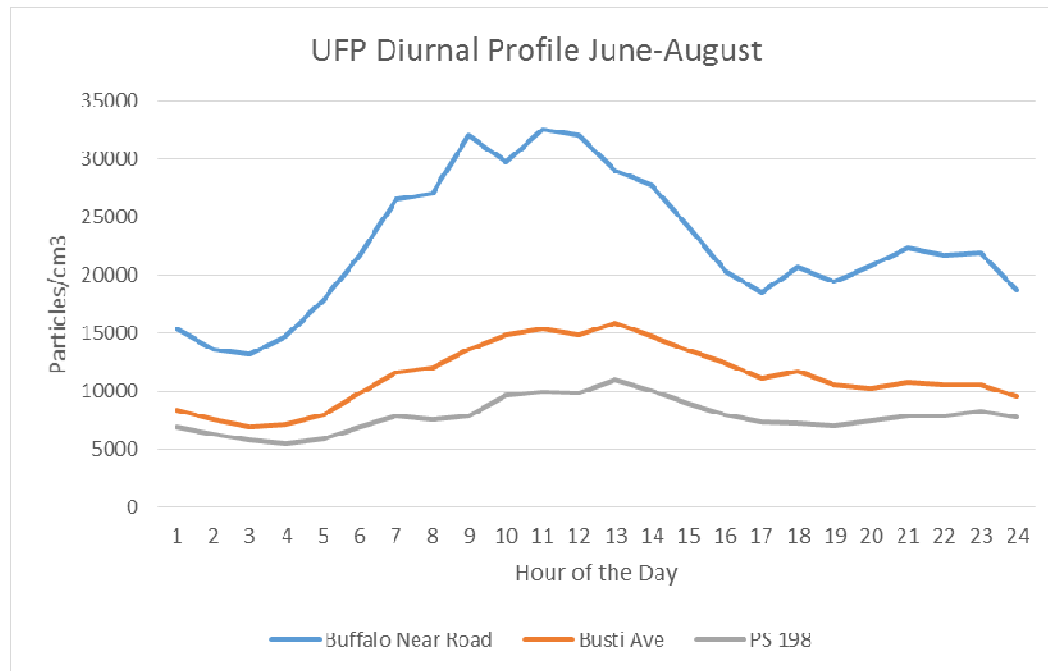
BC Data: Peace Bridge & Near Road Comparison



The time of day plot shows that BC at Busti Avenue is higher than the Near Road site and PS 198

Peace Bridge traffic is approx. 30% Trucks
Near Road traffic on I-90 is approx. 4% Trucks

UFP Data: Peace Bridge & Near Road Comparison



The time of day plot shows that UFP is considerably higher at the Near Road site than at Busti Avenue and PS 198

The Near Road site is much closer to the source of emissions than Busti Ave

The Behavior of Mobile Source Emissions Tracers

Why is BC higher at Busti Avenue and
UFP higher at the Near Road Site?

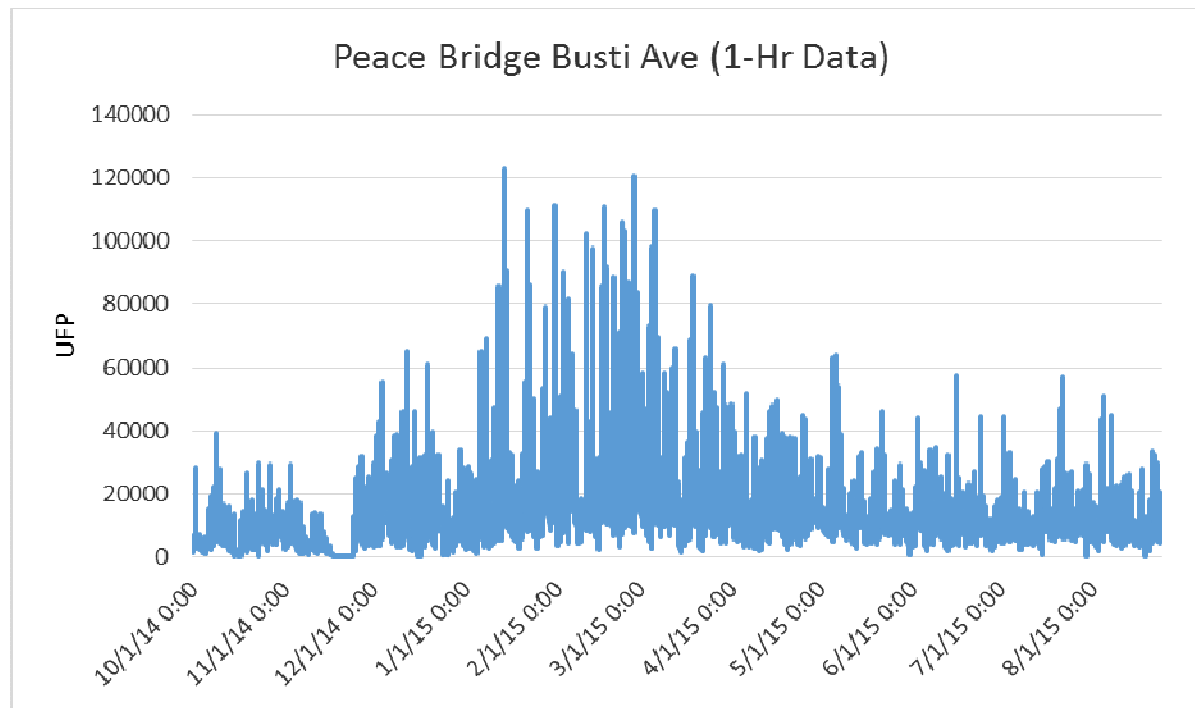
BC is emitted and it disperses in the environment

BC particles are relatively unreactive

UFP are emitted and disperse and quickly undergo
transformations – UFP evaporate or agglomerate

UFP do not last long so concentrations are highest very
close to the source of emissions

Busti Av. UFP: Seasonal Time Series



Data are presented with Winter in the Center of the plot

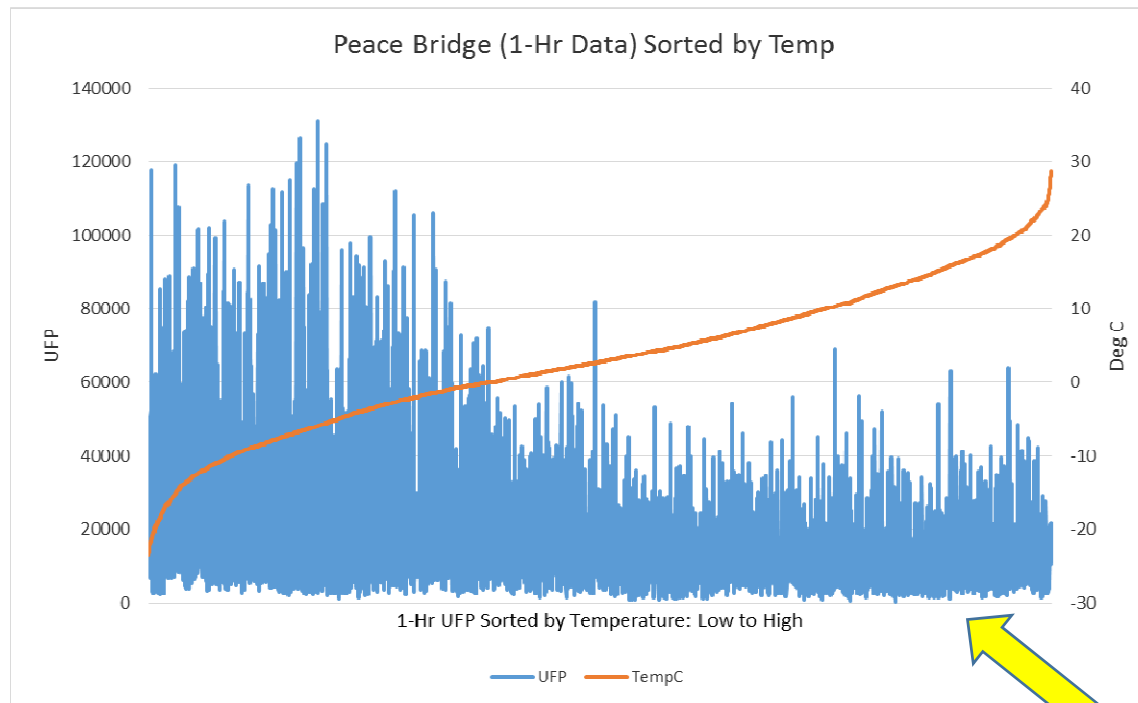
UFP are more stable in cold temps

< Evaporation

< Humidity

< Particle Growth
also Low B Layer

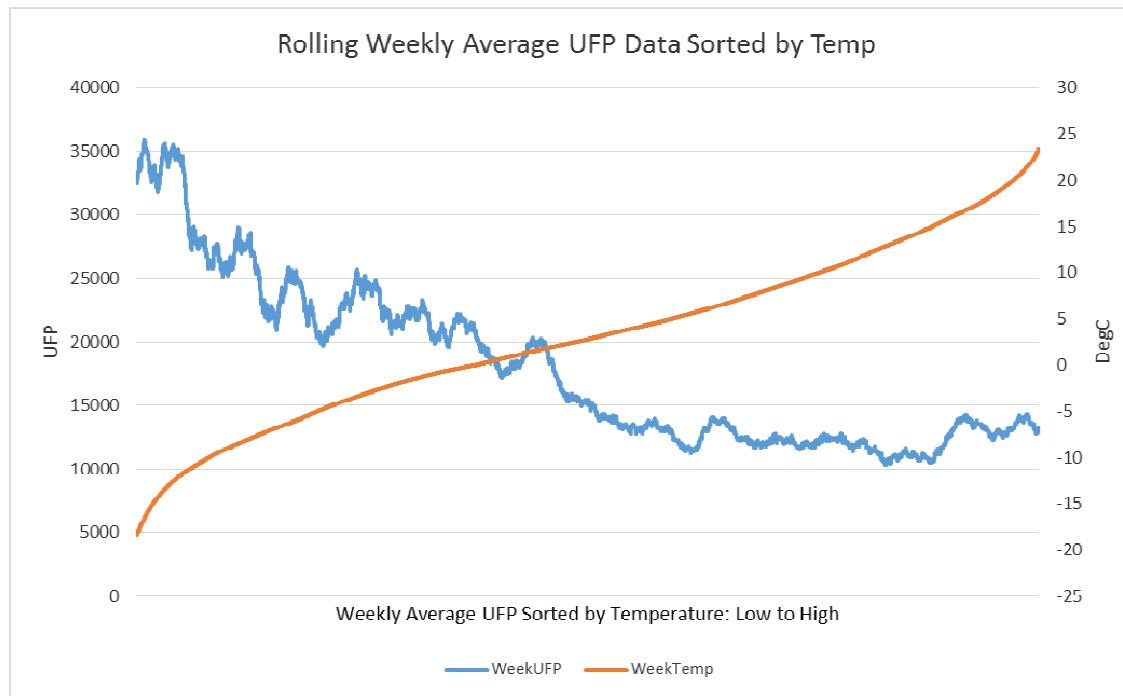
Busti Av. UFP: Sorted by Temp (Deg C)



At colder temps, the UFP range is higher but the low values are similar year round

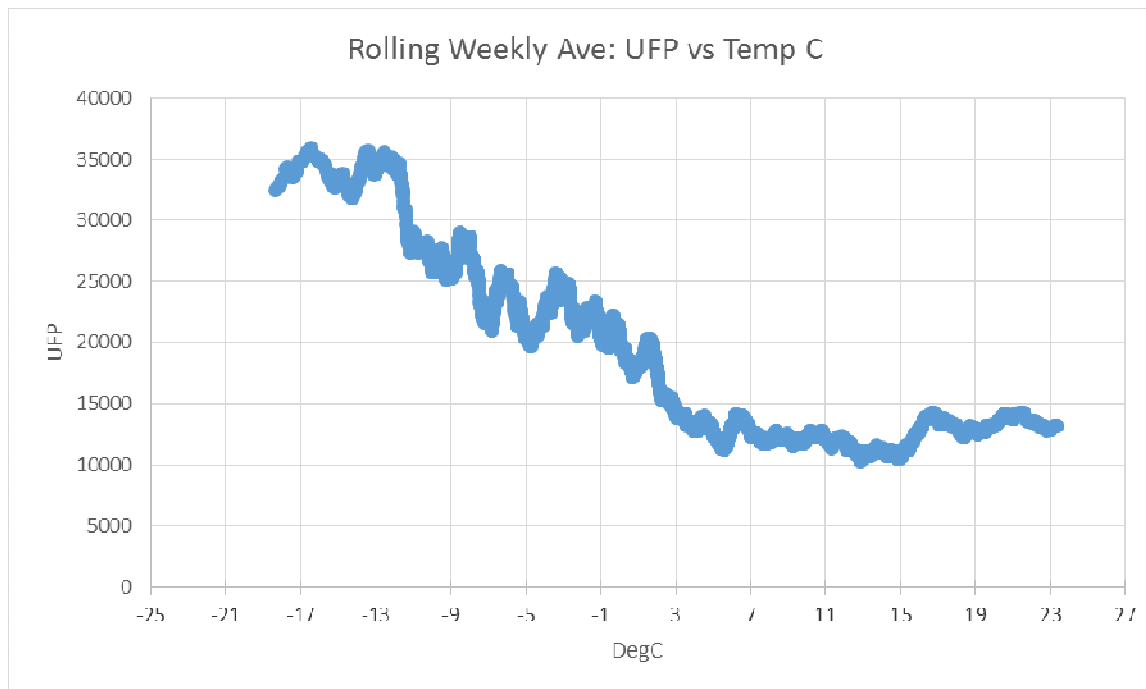
Local mobile source emissions are fairly consistent year-round

Rolling Weekly Ave. UFP and Temp (Deg C)



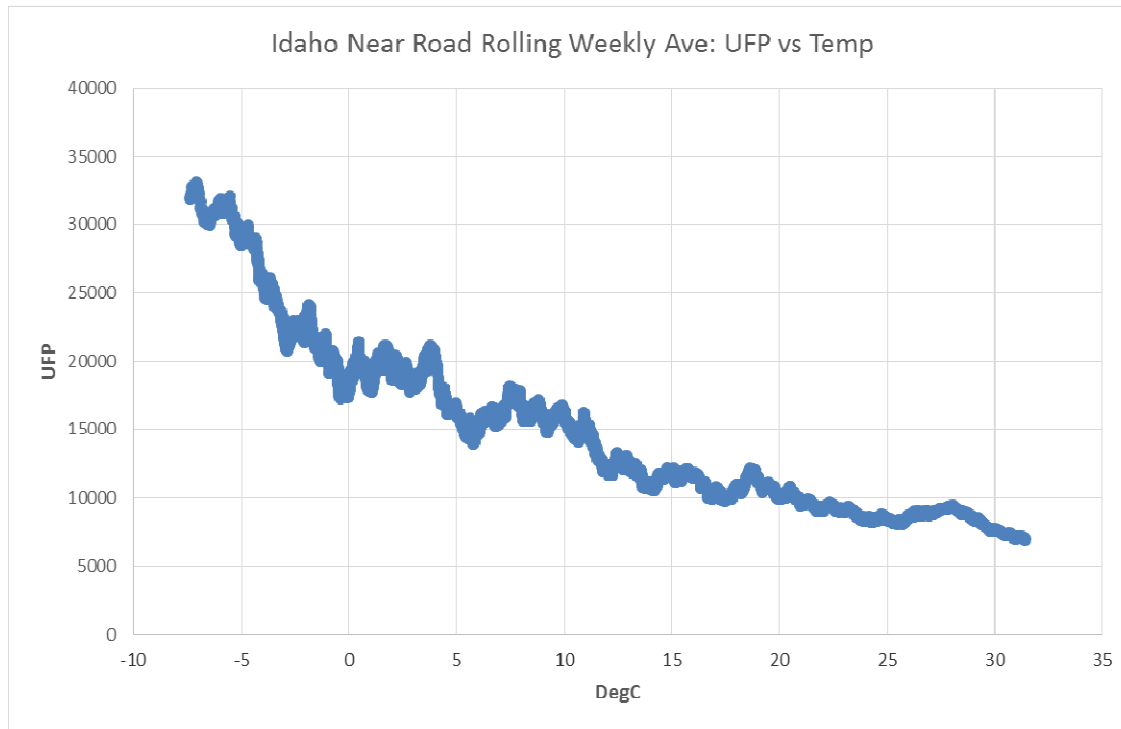
At colder temps, the average UFP is 2 to 3 times higher than the average during hot weather

Rolling Weekly Ave. UFP vs Temp (Deg C)



Peace Bridge Study
Busti Avenue
XY Plot
(UFP vs Temp °C)
shows the relationship
between UFP and
temp at this location

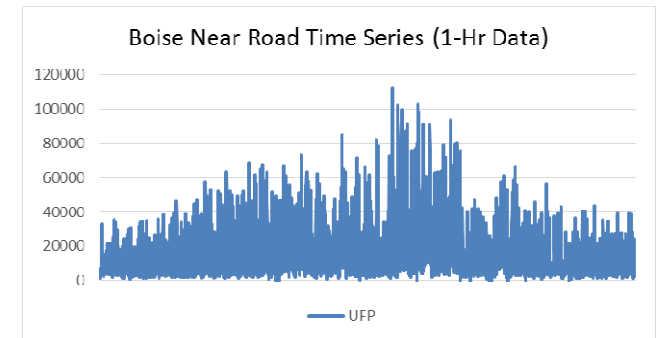
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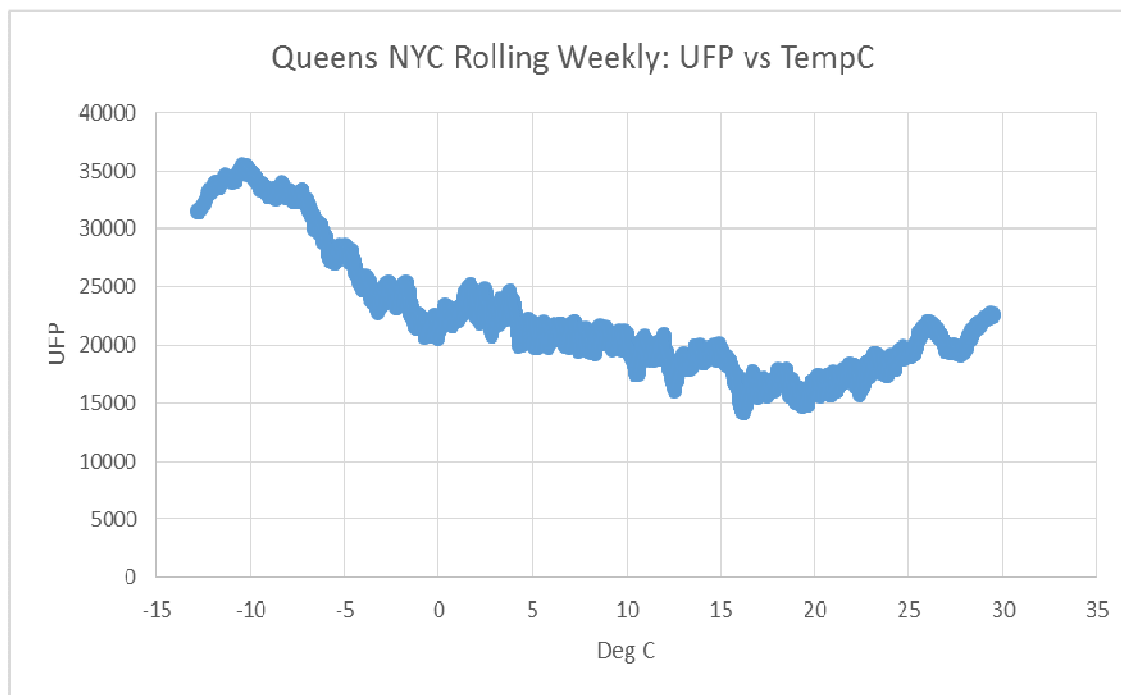
Boise Near Road AADT: 103,000

FE-AADT: 162,000

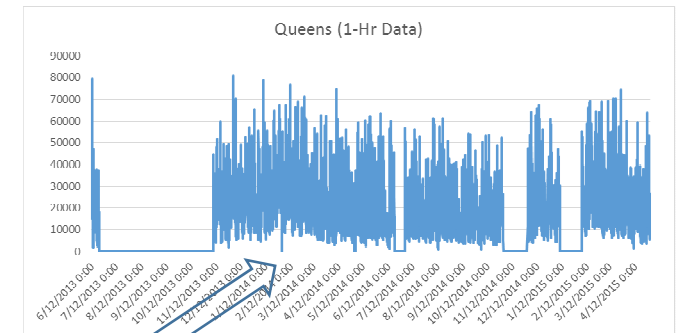
Boise, Idaho
Near Road 2012 Data
Winter in Center of
time series plot



Rolling Weekly Ave. UFP vs Temp (Deg C)

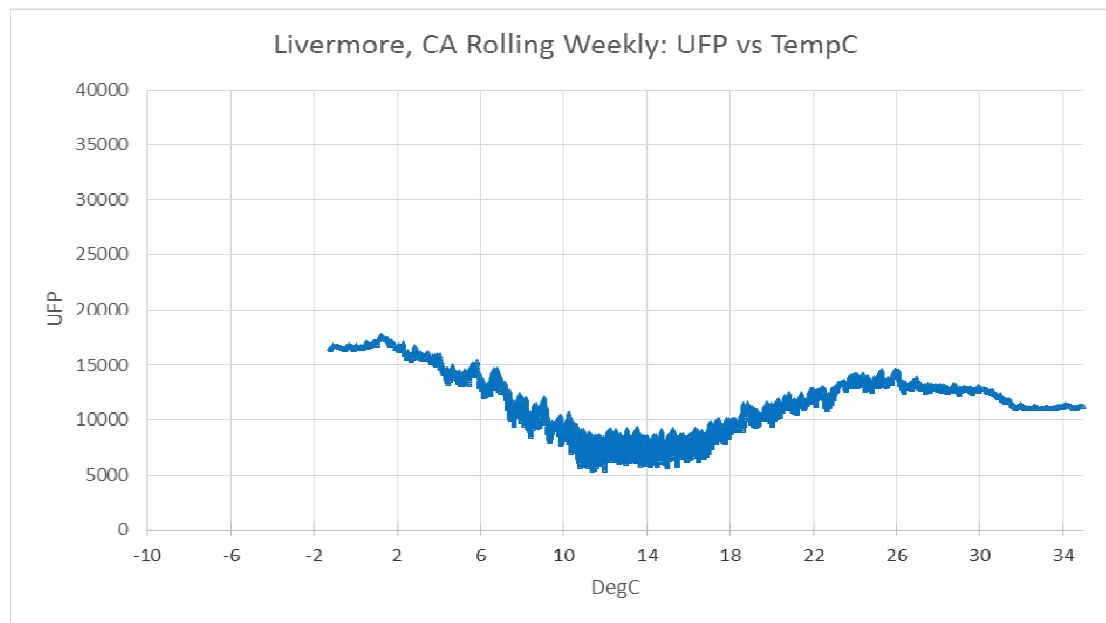


Queens, NYC
2013 - 2015 Data
Winter in Center of
time series plot



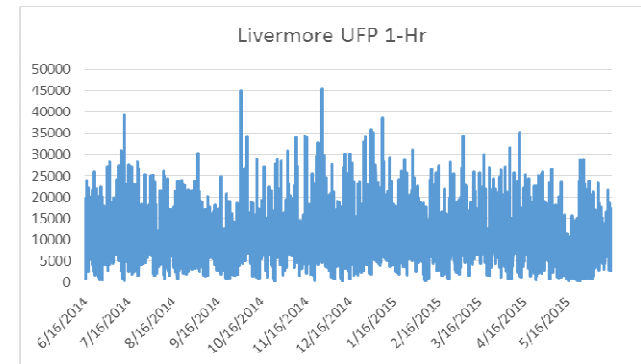
UFP rarely approaches zero at this site, note incr UFP at higher temps

Rolling Weekly Ave. UFP vs Temp (Deg C)

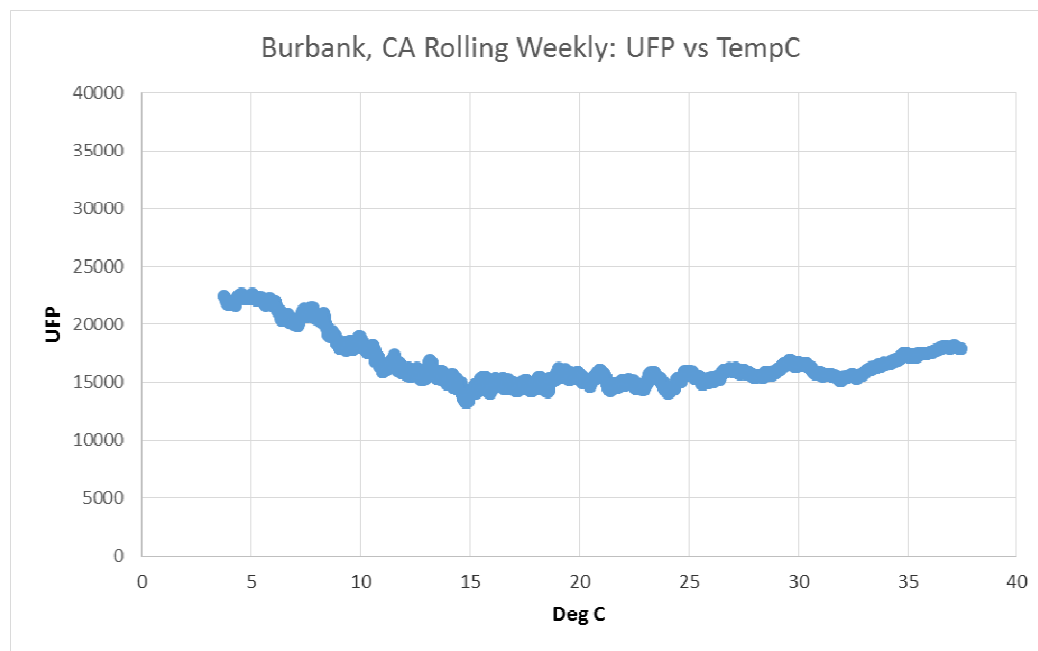


UFP increases by a factor of 2-3 during cold temps
UFP increases by a factor of 2 during hot temps

Livermore, CA
2014/15 Data
Winter in Center of
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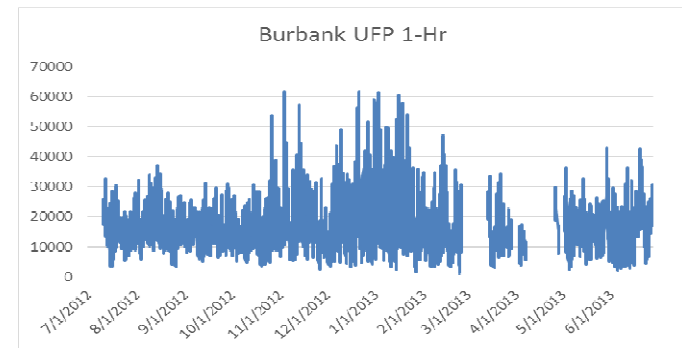


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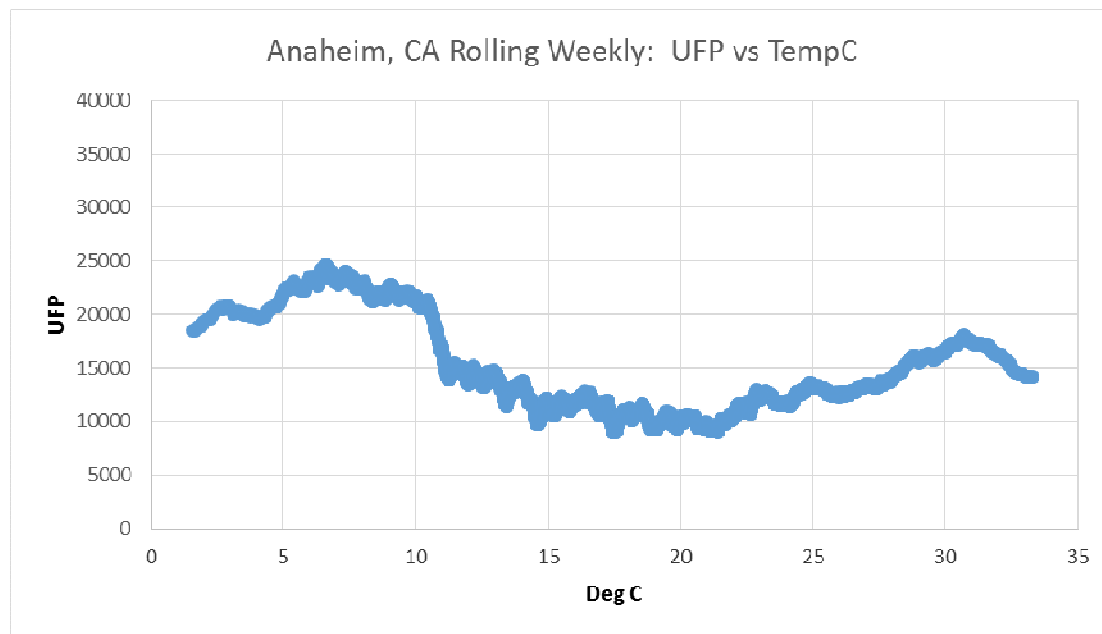


CA recently completed an Air Toxics study with UFP monitors at 6 sites around Los Angeles

Burbank, CA
2012/13 Data
Winter in Center of
time series plot

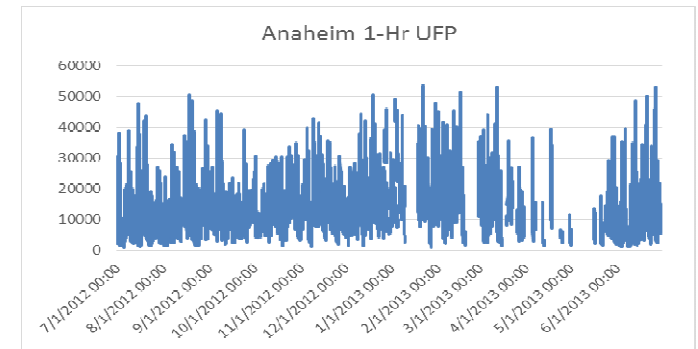


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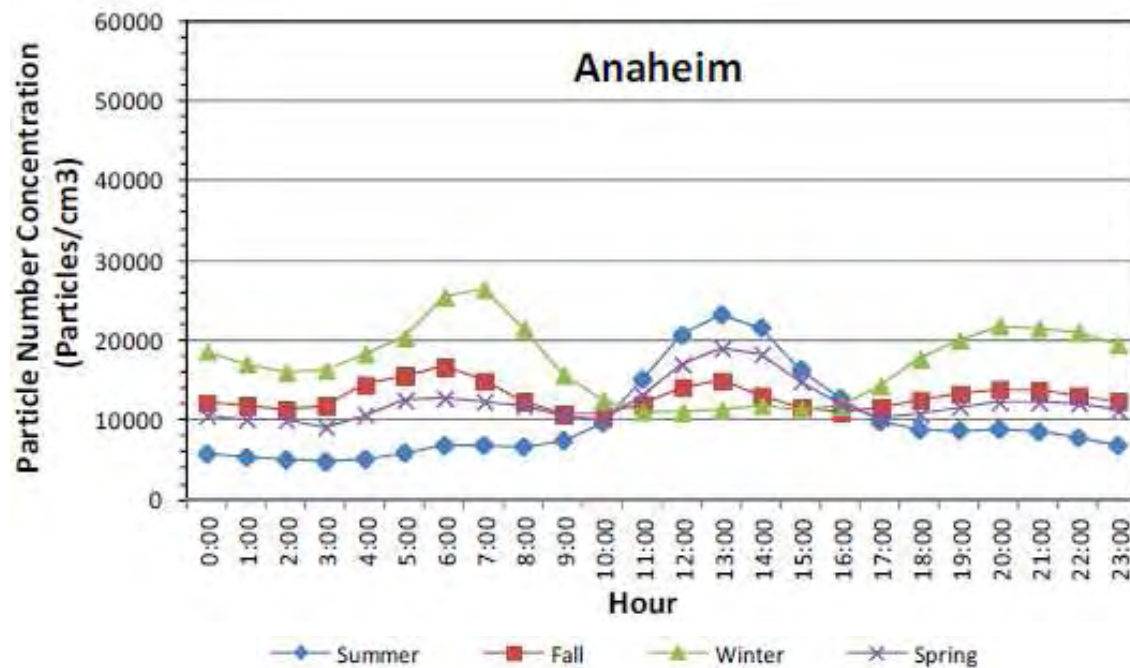


UFP increases by a factor of 2-3 at low temps
UFP increases by 45% at high temps

Anaheim, CA
2012/13 Data
Winter in Center of
time series plot



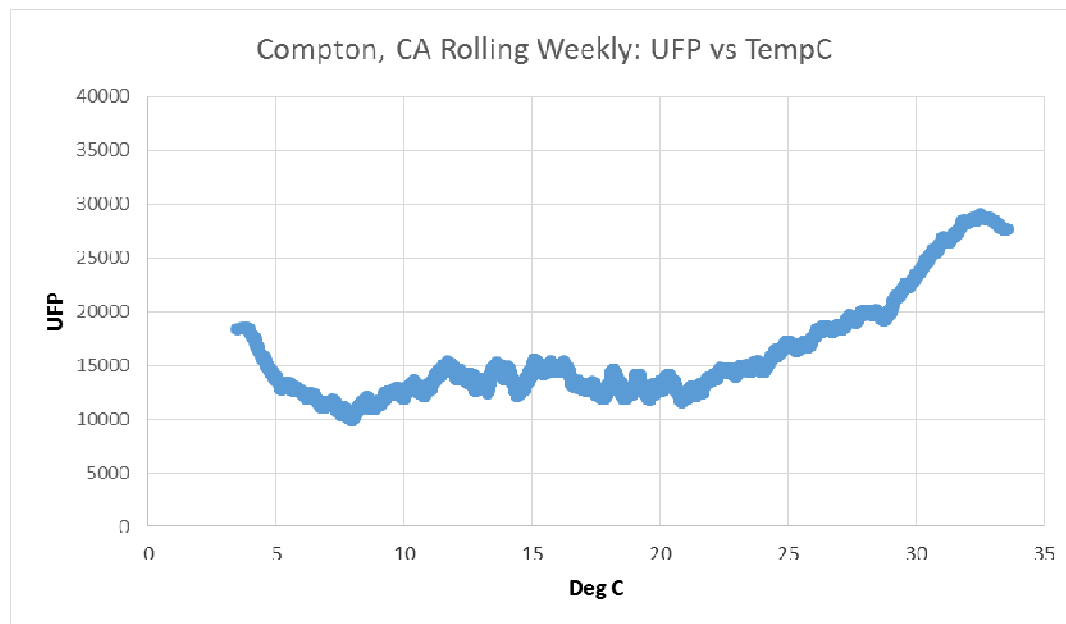
Seasonal Diurnal UFP: Anaheim, CA



Winter am peak is evidence of Local Primary emissions
 Summer afternoon Peak is evidence of Local Secondary UFP production

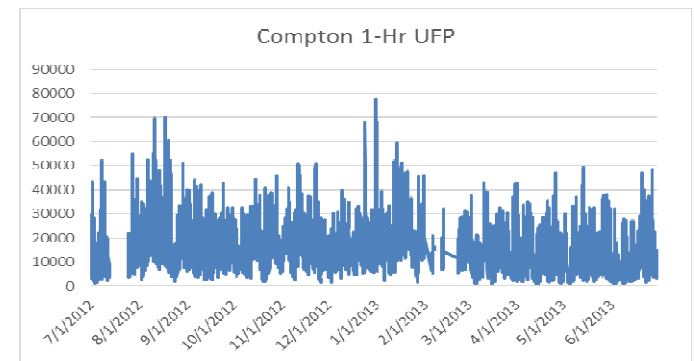
Elevated UFP in the Winter occurs in the morning
 Elevated UFP in the Summer occurs in the afternoon

Rolling Weekly Ave. UFP vs Temp (Deg C)

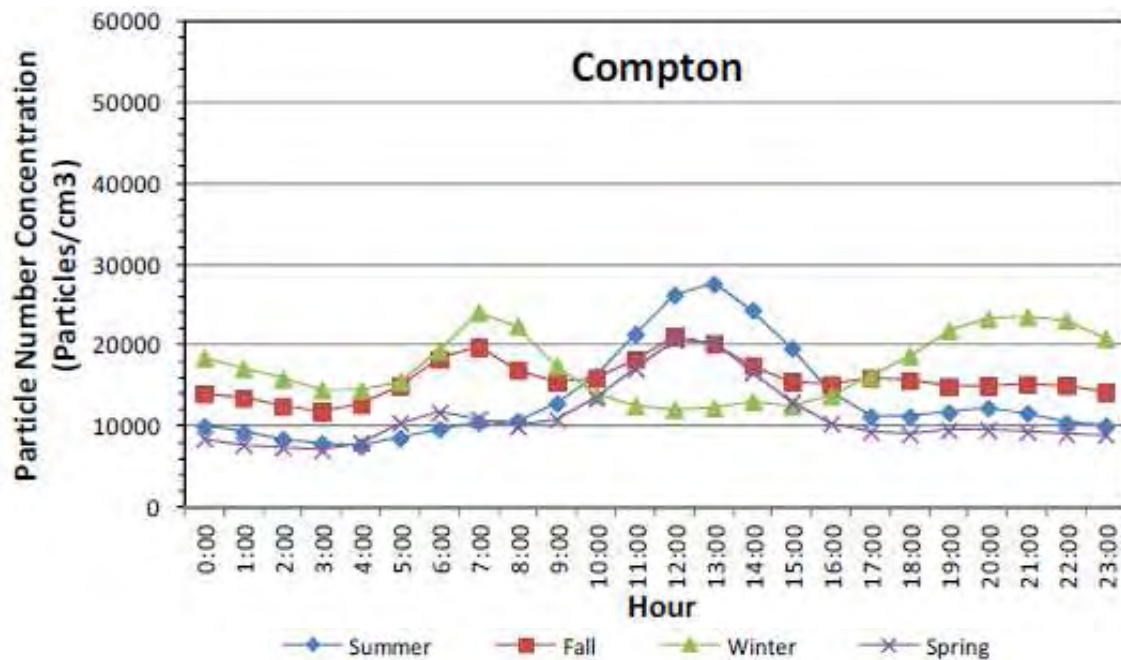


UFP increases by 16% - 45% at low temps
 UFP is increased by a factor of 2 at high temps

Compton, CA
 2012/13 Data
 Winter in Center of
 time series plot



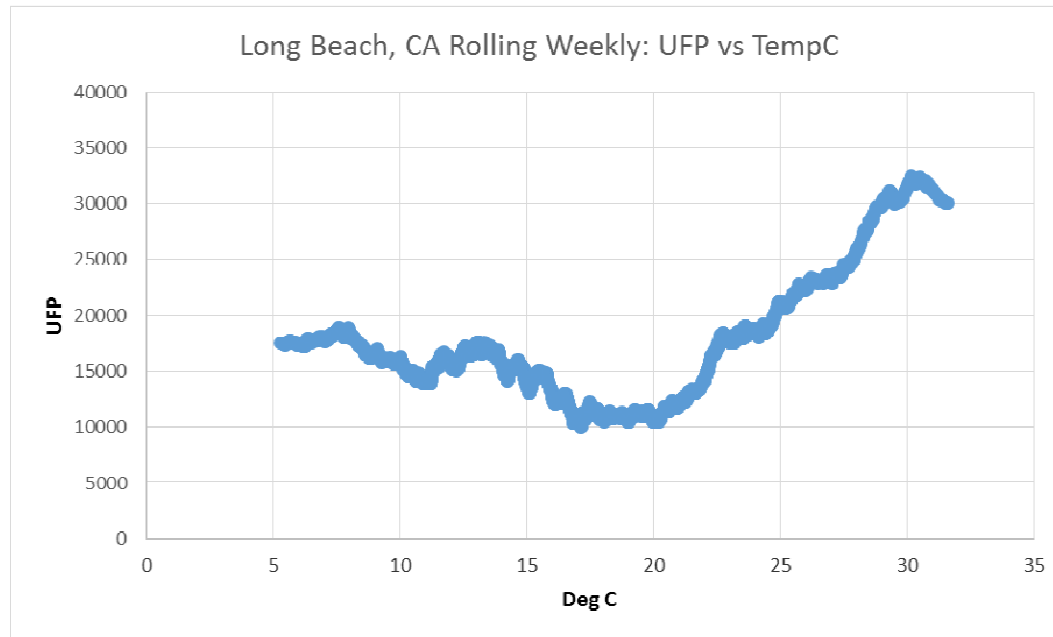
Seasonal Diurnal UFP: Compton, CA



Summer afternoon
Peak is evidence of
Local Secondary UFP
production

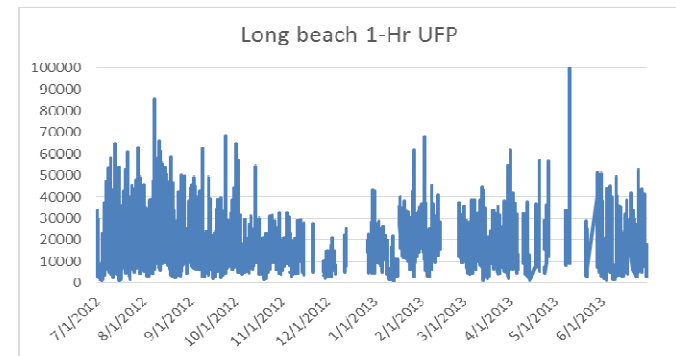
Elevated UFP in the Summer occurs in the afternoon

Rolling Weekly Ave. UFP vs Temp (Deg C)

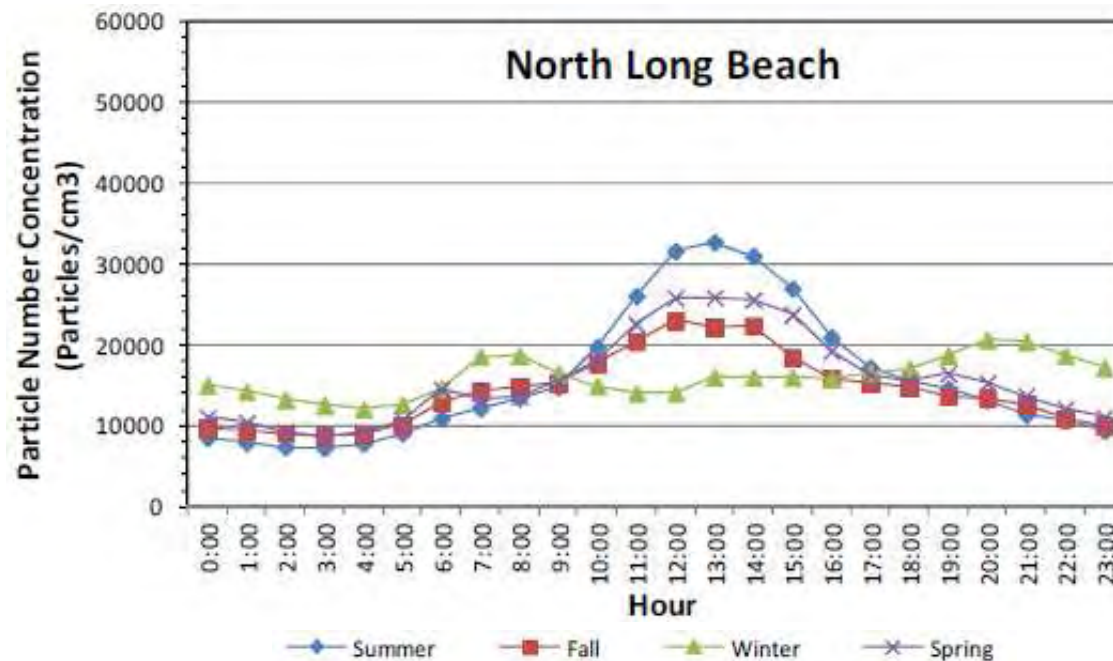


UFP increases by 20% - 40% at low temps
UFP is increased by a factor of 3 at high temps

Long Beach, CA
2012/13 Data
Winter in Center of
time series plot



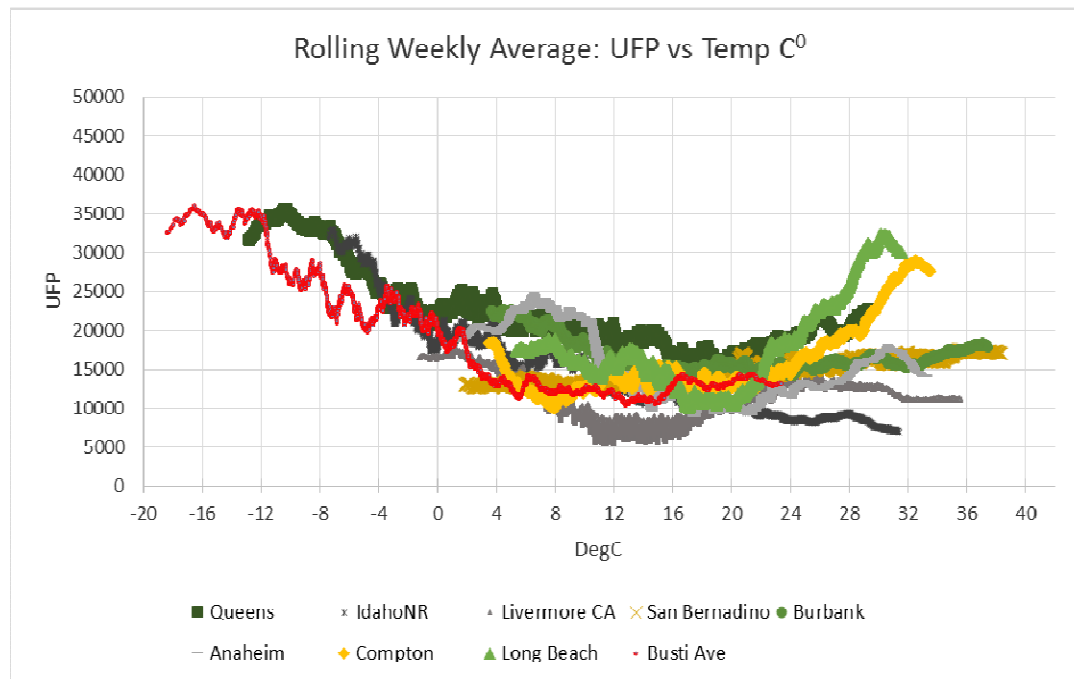
Seasonal Diurnal UFP: Long Beach, CA



Summer afternoon peak dominates UFP at this location. This is evidence of Local Secondary UFP production

Site is near a major Port with high proportion of HDD emissions

All Sites: Rolling Weekly Ave. UFP vs Temp



UFP from Busti Avenue, Queens, IdahoNR, San Francisco and four Los Angeles sites

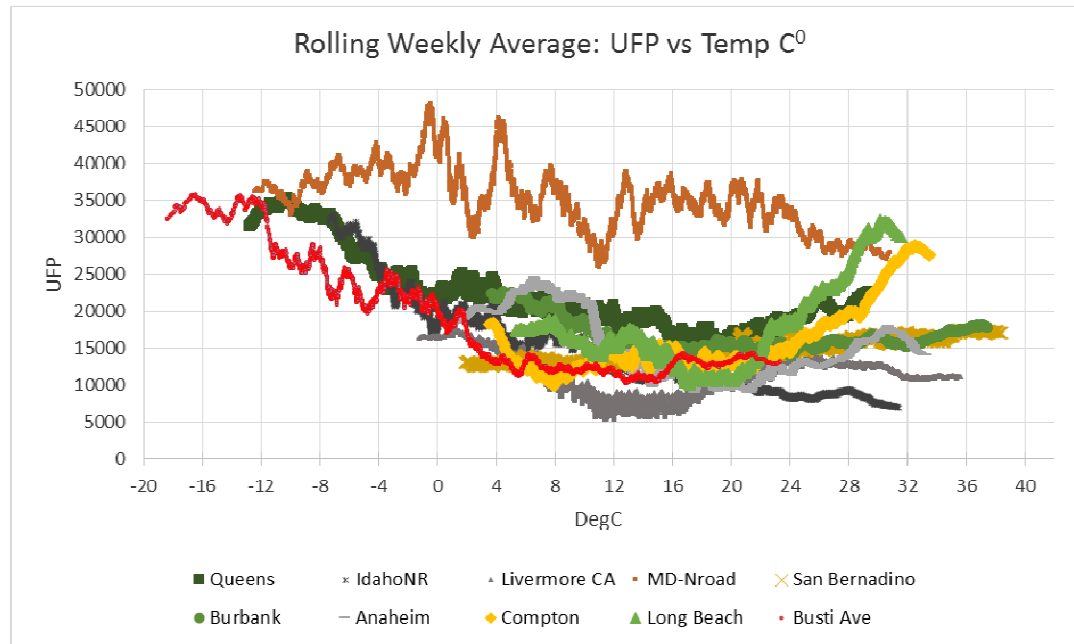
UFP > low temps: all sites

UFP > high temps: at some very urban and Industrial sites

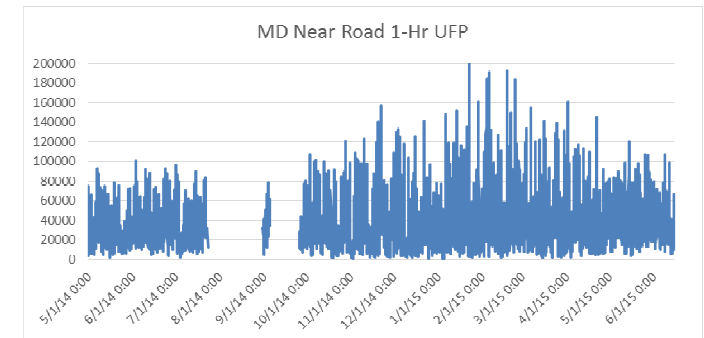


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Rolling Weekly Ave. UFP vs Temp (Deg C)



MD Near Road Site
elevated UFP with
less temperature
dependence



UFP Axis is now 50K on XY Plot and 200K on Time Series Plot
MD is missing much of the Summer which may lower values slightly

MD Near Road Site

I-95 between Baltimore and
Washington, DC

AADT: 192,401

FE-AADT: 452,309

29% HDD



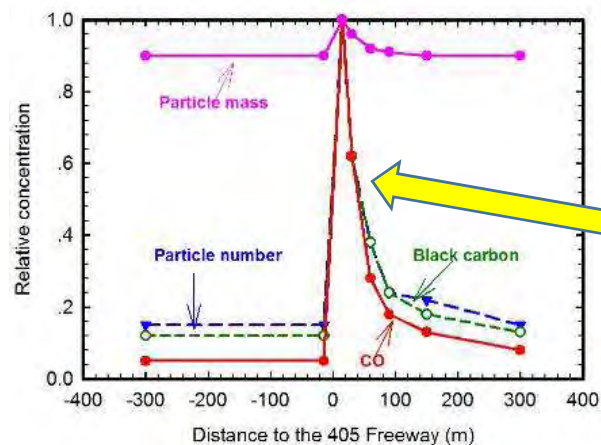
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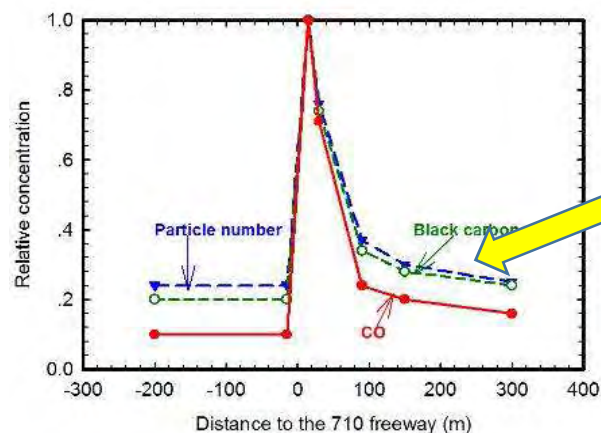
MD Near Road Site

Monitor is 16 m from highway between off and on ramp for a rest stop (Max Near Road emissions - Not a residential Area)

Why is MD UFP Data Different?



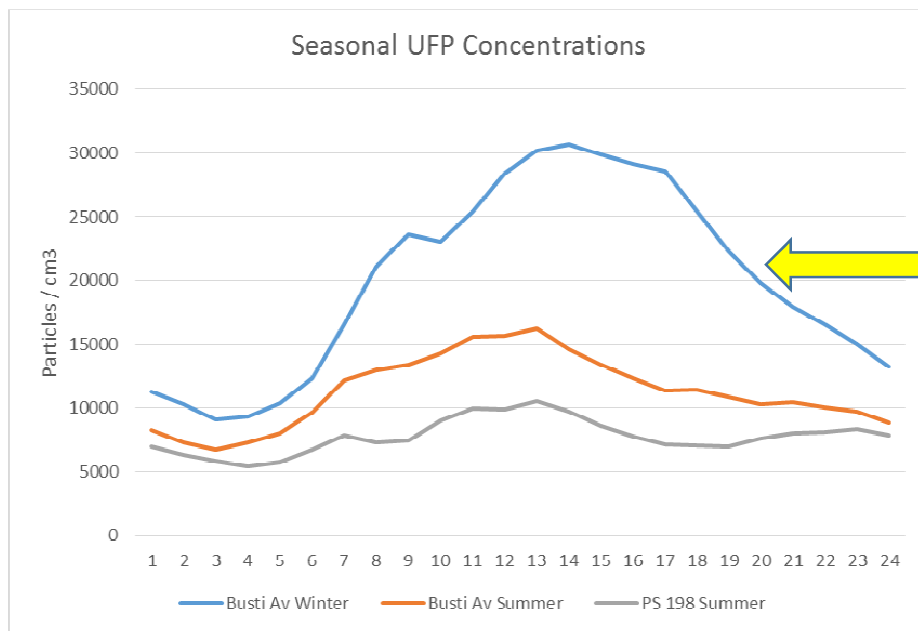
MD: The average UFP data are within the steep part of the roadway emissions gradient (16 m from source)



Buffalo, Boise, Livermore, Los Angeles:
The average UFP are on the flatter part of the gradient - Suggests weaker or intermittent local source or monitor located further from the roadway

Zhu et al., JAMA 2002, Atm. Env., 2002

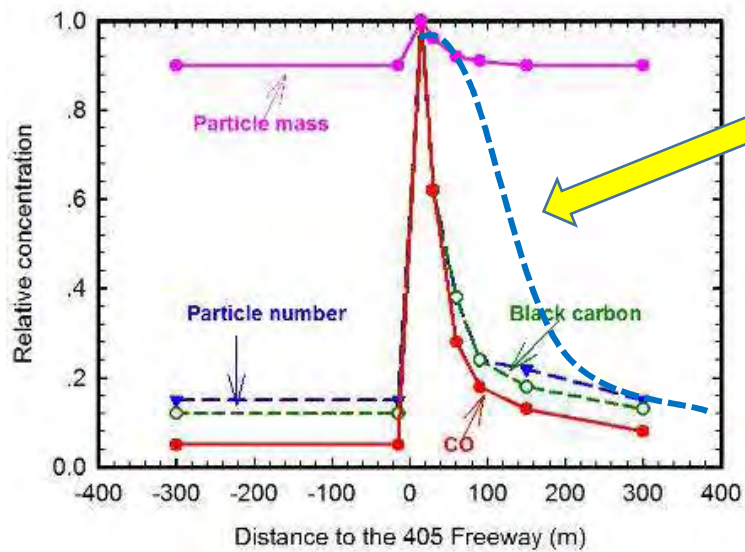
What happens when it is cold?



The emission sources (traffic) in the area are relatively consistent throughout the year

UFP concentration is higher in cold weather

What happens when it is cold?



Zhu et al., JAMA 2002, Atm. Env., 2002

The stability (persistence) of UFP in cold weather reduces the gradient as you move away from the source

This increases the distance UFP can travel from source areas

Observations

- UFP and BC are better indicators of mobile source emissions than PM-2.5

UFP decrease more quickly than BC

- UFP are enhanced at lower temperatures and at high temperatures in areas with strong local sources
- This study is increasing our understanding of mobile source emissions as they disperse and transform

Gas ↔ Particle Winter ↔ Summer

Conclusions

- The Near Road site in Cheektowaga as expected has higher UFP and will successfully represent the worst case near road emissions for the Buffalo-Niagara region
- The study data will be available to the EPA and other researchers. Tentative EPA database Site IDs are:

Busti Avenue: 36-029-024

PS 198: 36-029-025

Thank You

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