

Sample Analysis, Collection Method - Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) and Instream Target Values									
Samples	Veolia Taunton WWTF Lab				An EPA and MassDEP NPDES Regulated Facility Laboratory				
	http://www.veolianorthamerica.com/en/taunton-mass								
Samples Are Collected by Trained TRWA Volunteers Using An SOP Jointly Developed by TRWA and Veolia North America									
	http://savethetaunton.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/TRWA-Sampling-SOP-1-19-2018.pdf								
Sampling Locations Map May Be Found At:									
	https://www.google.com/maps/d/edit?mid=zhnldTn8bGeU.kyo7mqjZ3YFQ&usp=sharing								
Water Quality Protection Instream Target Values:									
	Dissolved Oxygen (DO)								
	Water Quality Target Value for Dissolved Oxygen is DO greater than 5.0 mg/l to meet Massachusetts Class B and SB								
	Water Quality Standards for warm water freshwater fisheries and SB marine waters.								
	Total Suspended Solids (TSS)								
	Total Suspended Solids (TSS) is a measure of particulates in the water. There is no Water Quality Standard for TSS.								
	We are looking for unusually high values that may indicate an erosion or poor stormwater management								
	problem upstream. High levels of TSS can smother aquatic life and destroy benthic habitat.								
	pH								
	The Water Quality Standard for pH in class B waters is 6.5 through 8.3 and not more than 0.5 units outside the natural range.								
	Wetlands, swamps, bogs, pine forest tend to have natural low pH. Field pH strips are sometimes used to identify								
	extremes of pH such as that caused by a spill of industrial waste. Reported results are from samples analyzed by Veolia								
	Taunton WWTP lab using a calibrated pH meter.								
	Temperature (Degrees C)								
	The Water Quality Standard for Temperature in class B waters is that it shall not exceed 28.3 C.								