

## DIRTY WATER – The Standells (E)

**INTRO:** Intro riff in key of E, same riff in A, back to E, then B-A#-A throughout the entire song.

Spoken: I'm gonna tell you a story  
I'm gonna tell you about my town  
I'm gonna tell you a big bad story, baby  
Aww, it's all about my town

**Riff in E**

Yeah, down by the river

Down by the banks of the river Charles (aw, that's what's happenin' baby)

**Riff in A**

That's where you'll find me

**Riff in E**

Along with lovers, fuggers, and thieves (aw, but they're cool people)

**B-B-B-B-B-B**

**B-A#-A**

Well I love that dirty water **Riff in E**

Oh, Boston, you're my home (oh, you're the Number One place)

**Riff in E**

Frustrated women (I mean they're frustrated)

Have to be in by twelve o'clock (oh, that's a shame)

**Riff in A**

But I'm wishin' and a-hopin, oh

**Riff in E**

That just once those doors weren't locked (I like to save time for  
my baby to walk around)

**B-B-B-B-B-B**

**B-A#-A**

Well I love that dirty water **Riff in E**

Oh, Boston, you're my home (oh, yeah)

**BREAK:** (harmonica) Riff in E, then A, then E

**B-B-B-B-B-B**

**B-A#-A**

Because I love that dirty water **Riff in E**

Oh, oh, Boston, you're my home (oh, yeah)

**Riff in E to the end of the song**

Well, I love that dirty water (I love it, baby)

I love that dirty water (I love Boston)

I love that dirty water (Have you heard about the Strangler?)

I love that dirty water (I'm the man, I'm the man)

I love that dirty water (Owww!)

I love that dirty water (Come on, come on) [fade]