Southern California Dredged Material Management Team (SC-DMMT)
February 22, 2012
Final Meeting Notes

I. Participating Agencies /Attendees:
   a. Michael Lyons (RWQCB – Los Angeles)
   b. Allan Ota† (EPA)
   c. Dan Swenson (USACE-Regulatory)
   d. Cori Farrar (USACE-Regulatory)
   e. Antal Szijj† (USACE-Regulatory)
   f. Loni Adams† (DFG)
   g. Larry Smith (USACE-Planning)
   h. Larry Simon† (CCC)
   i. Bill Pznokas† (DFG)
   j. Susie Santilena† (Heal the Bay)
   k. Chris Miller (City of Newport Beach)
   l. Bill Gardiner† (Newfields)
   m. Doug Shibaru† (RWQCB-Santa Ana)
   n. Jana † (POLB)
   o. Joe Ryan (USACE-ED)
   p. Peter von Langen† (RWQCB-Central Coast)

† participating via teleconference.

II. Announcements:
   a. **Ocean side Dredging (POC: Larry Smith):** Sampling on-going, results expected in 2-3 weeks. The goal is to dredge in April/May. A draft EA with historic sampling data will be distributed in a week or two. SAPR will be distributed once it is received for review and a suitability determination. We will, at that point, request Coastal Consistency Determination concurrence and 401 Water Quality Certification. The final EA will contain the new sampling data.
      i. Loni Adams requested the Corps assess effects on pismo clams.
   b. **SAP/R Guidelines (POC: Dan Swenson):** final revisions soon, hopefully ready for next meeting.
   c. **Ventura Harbor maintenance dredging RGP (POC: Antal Szijj):** public notice just circulated. Project already approved by RWQCB.

III. Project Review and Determinations
   a. **Harbor Island/ Linda Isle Project**
i. Corps comments (POC: Cori Farrar)

1. Report: City of Newport and Newfields will correct report
   summary table 1-1 to reflect accurate overdepth dredge
   amounts.
2. Mercury Issues: City’s proposed exclusion area (“blue
   box”) drawn around station HT-10 was determined
   adequate for EPA and Corps purposes. The area was
   deemed unsuitable for ocean disposal. The City has the
   option to do additional testing to discern a more detailed
   analysis of Hg sediment concentrations at that station since
   it exceeded the threshold that has been used by EPA for
   LA-3 of 1.0 mg/kg. The aim of such analyses would be to
   try to identify additional material that would be suitable for
   ocean disposal. Alternatively, the City would need to
   identify an alternate disposal site such as the confined
   disposal site at Port of Long Beach.
3. DDx Issues: DDE and DDD concentration were above the
   ERM in the test composites; however, due to consistent
   results of previous bioaccumulation testing with sediment
   concentrations in the same range, the SC-DMMT had
   determined further bioaccumulation testing was
   unnecessary. No additional comments were offered at this
   SC-DMMT meeting.
4. Suitability for Ocean Disposal: EPA stated that except for
   the exclusion area around HT-10 “blue box”, all other
   material proposed for dredging would be suitable for ocean
   disposal.

b. Marina del Rey dredging update (POC: Larry Smith):

i. Contract awarded, NTP issued, March 9 start date (1.1-1.3 million
   CY). Disposal currently planned for POLB. Optional beach
   nourishment at Dockweiler and Redondo not yet awarded.

IV. Other issues:

a. Grain size for beach nourishment discussion – use of cobble (POC:
   Larry Smith):

i. Discussion participants were not opposed to the possibility of
   discharging cobble on beaches or in the near shore as long as the
   sediments matched the existing beach or nearshore sediments in
   terms of grain size.