

Southern California Dredged Material Management Team (SC-DMMT)
October 24, 2012
Final Meeting Notes

I. Participating Agencies /Attendees:

- a. Michael Lyons (RWQCB – Los Angeles)
 - b. Dan Swenson (USACE-Regulatory)
 - c. Bonnie Rogers (USACE-Regulatory)
 - d. Brianne McGuffie (USACE-Regulatory)
 - e. John Markham[†] (USACE-Regulatory)
 - f. Antal Szijj[†] (USACE-Regulatory)
 - g. Allan Ota[†] (USEPA Region 9)
 - h. Carol Roberts[†] (US Fish and Wildlife Service)
 - i. Susie Santilena[†] – Heal the Bay
 - j. Matt Arms[†] (POLB)
 - k. Janna Watanabe[†] (POLB)
 - l. James Vernon[†] (POLB)
 - m. Shelly Anghera[†] (Anchor QEA)
- [†] participating via teleconference.

II. Announcements: none.

III. Project Review and Determinations

a. Pier J Maintenance Dredging Project

i. Corps comments (POC: John Markham):

1. SC-DMMT approved the SAPR (June 15, 2012, Anchor QEA) and the use of Middle Harbor phase 1 fill site for proposed Pier T and Pier J Maintenance Dredging following June 25, 2012 DMMT meeting.
2. With respect to chemical characterization of Pier J sediments, the SAPR found the majority of detectable concentrations of metals, PAHs, pesticides, and PCBs measured in sediment down to a 1.5-foot overdredge limit to be below the effects range low (ERL) values, with the remainder being well below the effects range median (ERM) values. The latter included copper, nickel, 4, 4' DDE, and total DDTs.
3. A portion of the Pier T/Pier J dredging was performed in July and August 2012, but could not be completed due to the annual maintenance dredging limit of 40,000 cubic yards (pursuant to Regional General Permit (RGP) No. 28).

4. Although the SAPR and proposed discharge site were previously approved through an “out-of-cycle” CSTF meeting, the Port proposed the following changes:
 - a. Revised maintenance dredging schedule (to early 2013);
 - b. Revised allowable overdredge depth (from 1 foot to 2 feet), consistent with RGP28 allowance;
 - c. Approval to use the Middle Harbor phase 1 fill site (north end of slip 1) for placement of approximately 9,000 cubic yards of dredged material, and if necessary, the Middle Harbor phase 2 “east basin borrow pit” fill site (from southern border of slip 1 to the south past Pier F).
5. Determination: No objections from DMMT members regarding the above requests, based upon relatively low levels of contaminants as well as relatively small volume of dredged material.

ii. Coastal Commission comments (Jack Gregg via voicemail to Dan Swenson dated October 24, 2012):

1. No issues with SAPR report results or proposed placement of material.

IV. Other issues: None.