

LONG TERM MANAGEMENT STRATEGY



January 28, 1999

LTMS Management Plan Workshop - Fees -

Agenda

- 9:30-10:00 Introductions and announcements; meeting tasks
- 10:00-10:50 Presentations of potential fee mechanisms
- 10:50-11:35 Discussion of presentations; where do we go next
- 11:35-11:50 Wrap-up; review schedule for future workshops

Issue under consideration:

Should a fee structure for disposal projects be instituted as part of the LTMS?
If so, what type of structure?

Tasks for this meeting:

- Brainstorm
- Discuss presented ideas
- Reach consensus on any items possible
- Make a plan for the next step: agencies could prepare an issue paper that includes a proposal, or a subsequent workshop could be scheduled

Questions:

- What is the purpose of the fee? Some possibilities are:
- to discourage disposal of material in the Bay,
 - to raise money to fund a particular program (what type of program?),
 - to make the cost of in-Bay disposal equal to that of other options,
 - to subsidize projects that dispose of material outside of the Bay
 - other options?
- Would fee be charged only for in-Bay disposal?
- Would any types of projects be exempt from the fee (those involving small volumes? emergency dredging? Corps maintenance projects?)?
- Would the fee be based on disposal volume, or another scheme?
- Who would collect and track fees?
- How would collected fees be spent?
- Who would manage expenditure of any funds collected?
- Other questions?