

LONG TERM MANAGEMENT STRATEGY



Workshop Notice

Long Term Management Strategy for the Placement of Dredged Material in the San Francisco Bay Region

LTMS Management Plan

June 7, 1999, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board Office
1515 Clay Street
Oakland**

(If you arrive by BART, exit at the 12th Street Station.)

The June 7, 1999 workshop will focus on dredged material reuse and disposal at upland locations. Please come prepared to discuss the efforts you or the entity you represent are making to implement upland/wetland/reuse (UWR) sites as well as ideas about possible ways to facilitate UWR project implementation. As a reminder, **the June 7 workshop will include a working lunch** so please bring a lunch or pick one up either before the workshop or during the break. If you have any questions, please contact us. (Note: The attached materials include a copy of a letter from an Interested Party; from this point forward, such letters will be included as a part of the workshop mailing packet in order to ensure that all participants receive pertinent materials.)

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LTMS MANAGEMENT PLAN WORKSHOP SUMMARY: MAY 13, 1999

Management Committee

The LTMS Management Committee's position relative to workshop process was presented (see attached letter). Workshop participants reached consensus on tentative workshop schedule (also attached). Consensus also reached that: (1) prior to each workshop, input from interested parties (IPs) would be sought; and (2) workshop schedule (attached) could change. It was suggested that September workshop (re: allocation) be linked with in-Bay beneficial uses of dredged material and practicability.

Sediment Testing: Inland Testing Manual (ITM) and Green Book

Possible actions considered: (1) special meeting, if necessary, to cover testing issues (including reference sites, disposal/reuse screening levels, suitability determinations). Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry (Northern California) (SETAC) will host workshop on Regional ITM Guidance following issuance of Public Notice (PN) in July, 1999. Workshop will focus on: (1) identifying changes relative to previous guidelines; (2) how interpretations made, assumptions, and relationship to PN 93-2 ; and (3) how agencies will use regional guidance and interpret data for disposal options in future. (Note: Public comment re: PN should be at least 45 days.)

LTMS agencies will also hold "face-to-face informational" meetings with at least 3 to 4 entities of environmental community (Audubon Society, Sierra Club, Citizens for Better Environment, Save the Bay, fishing community, Center for Marine Conservation) to discuss testing issues ideally before PN re: ITM issued.

Upland/Wetland/Reuse (UWR)

Issues involved with testing include: (1) leachability tests and timing and cost; (2) requirements for landfill use and need for a process to resolve Integrated Waste Management Board policy regarding testing and frequency; (3) integration of testing for all disposal media to reduce costs; (4) liability as testing thresholds change over time; (5) use of historic data for sites (e.g. Galbraith); (6) clarification of testing terminology (e.g. cover vs. non-cover material); and (7) environmental impacts related to disposal (e.g. high levels of mercury on clapper rail).

Decision-Making/DMMO

Concern of environmental community: lack of access and early review of proposed projects. Requested better way to keep public informed (e.g. notice on projects).

Tangential issue: how to extend DMMO-like process to Central Coast (Sanctuary) area.

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UWR issues: (1) procedure and structure to ensure sites are investigated and brought on line; (2) seasonal wetlands being called upland; (3) update on Montezuma, Hamilton, Winter Island, and landfills, etc.; (4) funding; (5) risk/liability; (6) input from stakeholders on efforts to bring sites on line and needs; (7) long-term monitoring for wetland sites; (8) cover/non-cover determinations for wetlands and what is being required of applicants.

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(1) sediment suitability determinations; (2) sediment testing follow-up; (3) UWR follow-up; (4) use of dredged material at landfills.

Action Items

- (1) LTMS Agencies to set date for June workshop; staff to check on LTMS Management Committee availability.
- (2) IPs input on June workshop by May 21. Agencies e-mail list of issues to attendees of May 13 workshop.
- (3) SETAC to host workshop on ITM regional guidance. Organizers: Kathy Dadey and Brigitte Deshields.
- (4) Meetings re: testing issues with environmental community. Organizers: Barbara Salzman and Jack Gregg .
- (5) IPs to respond to survey on workshop schedule by 6/1/99.
- (6) Agencies provide IPs with names and addresses of LTMS Management Committee members.

LTMS web site address: <http://www.spn.usace.army.mil/ltms/workshop.html>

Comments re: workshop summary to: Jaime Michaels at 451-557-8791 or jaimem@bcdca.gov

LTMS Management Plan Workshop

Monday, June 7, 1999, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm (with a working lunch); Harry Seraydarian (Facilitator)

S.F. Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, 1515 Clay Street, Oakland

PROPOSED AGENDA

Time	Topic	Leader	Process	Desired Outcome
9:30	Introduction of participants Review ground rules Review agenda	Harry	Presentation and clarifying questions	Recognition of participants Understanding of and agreement on ground rules Consensus on workshop agenda
9:40	Review last workshop decisions and action items	Harry	Presentation and facilitated dialogue (if needed)	Review work completed by group
10:00	LTMS structure for investigating and selecting UWR sites Overview of Upland/Wetland/Reuse (UWR) options	Steve	Presentation and clarifying questions	Common understanding of LTMS process for studying and selecting UWR sites Common understanding of existing and potential beneficial uses for dredged material in region
10:10	Status report on existing and potential multi-user UWR sites	Steve, Scott, Jaime, Doug Lipton Len Cardoza	Presentation, clarifying questions, identification of issues and concerns, and facilitated dialogue	Common understanding of current status of Montezuma, Hamilton, Winter Island, Sherman Island, Port of Oakland Berth 10 Drying Facility, and Dredged Material Reuse Project (DMRP)
11:00	Efforts being made to implement UWR sites	Harry, All	Presentation, clarifying questions, identification of issues and concerns, and facilitated dialogue	Common understanding of actions being taken by stakeholders to implement UWR projects Identify opportunities and/or obstacles regarding site implementation Identify additional steps & resources needed to address implementation
11:30	Break for lunch			
11:45	Steps being taken to implement UWR sites (cont.)	Harry, All	same as above	same as above
12:15	UWR implementation issues (e.g. funding, permitting, risk/liability, distinction between tidal, non-tidal, and seasonal wetland habitat, long-term management and monitoring of UWR sites, etc.)	Harry, All	Presentation, clarifying questions, identification of issues and concerns, and facilitated dialogue	Common understanding of issues affecting UWR implementation Identification of possible measures to resolve issues
1:20	Input on next workshop • Workshop evaluation	Harry	Facilitated dialogue	Possible issues and/or agenda items for next workshop Improvements to future workshops, as needed
1:30	Adjourn workshop			

LTMS Management Plan Workshop Ground Rules

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- Raise hand to be recognized
- No personal attacks
- Focus on issues
- Actively listen—no side bar conversations
- Key groups will commit to attend
- Focus on future, not past
- Use collaborative approach
- No one dominates
- Start on time, end on time, stick to agenda