

**SAN FRANCISCO BAY LONG TERM MANAGEMENT STRATEGY  
OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE**

PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: The project area is the San Francisco Bay in California. Policy objectives of the Long Term Management Strategy (LTMS) are to identify an acceptable array of dredged material disposal sites, develop management, economic and environmental plans for these sites, implement a decision making framework for site usage, streamline permit procedures, and establish long term site monitoring.

TOTAL FUNDING:

TOTAL COST:	\$ N/A
FEDERAL COST:	\$ N/A
NON-FEDERAL COST:	\$ N/A

TOTAL FEDERAL COST THROUGH FY04:	\$ 1,841,000
FISCAL YEAR 05 BUDGET:	\$ 0
COST TO COMPLETE:	\$ N/A

FY 04 AND 05 ACCOMPLISHMENTS: FY04 efforts are to continue Phase II of the methyl mercury study; continue preparation of the Regional Dredged Material Management Plan/Environmental Impact Study (DMMP/EIS); conduct analyses of “environmental” windows (the times of year during which dredging is allowed, established to protect certain species of fish under the purview of the Endangered Species Act) for operation and maintenance navigation operations. FY05 efforts would be to complete the Phase II methyl mercury study and initiate Phase III (field verification project); complete the Regional DMMP/EIS; and continue environmental windows studies.

ISSUES AND OTHER INFORMATION: Additional funds will be required to complete the study on effects of mercury methylation in wetland restoration projects using dredged material, and continue preparation of the Regional DMMP/EIS. A delay in addressing the methyl mercury issue could impact the implementation of LTMS by limiting beneficial reuse sites for Federal dredging projects, resulting in disposal options that have no environmental benefit and potentially higher costs.

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: 1<sup>st</sup> District, Rep. Mike Thompson; 3<sup>rd</sup> District, Rep. Doug Ose; 6<sup>th</sup> District, Rep. Lynn Woolsey; 7<sup>th</sup> District, Rep. George Miller; 8<sup>th</sup> District, Rep. Nancy Pelosi; 9<sup>th</sup> District, Rep. Barbara Lee; 10<sup>th</sup> District, Rep. Ellen Tauscher; 11<sup>th</sup> District, Rep. Richard Pombo; 12<sup>th</sup> District, Rep. Tom Lantos; 13<sup>th</sup> District, Rep. Pete Stark; 14<sup>th</sup> District, Rep. Anna Eshoo; 15<sup>th</sup> District, Rep. Mike Honda; 16<sup>th</sup> District, Rep. Zoe Lofgren

DISTRICT: San Francisco