

Seattle Harbor Deep Draft Navigation Improvement Project

Semi-Annual Agency Dredging Meeting

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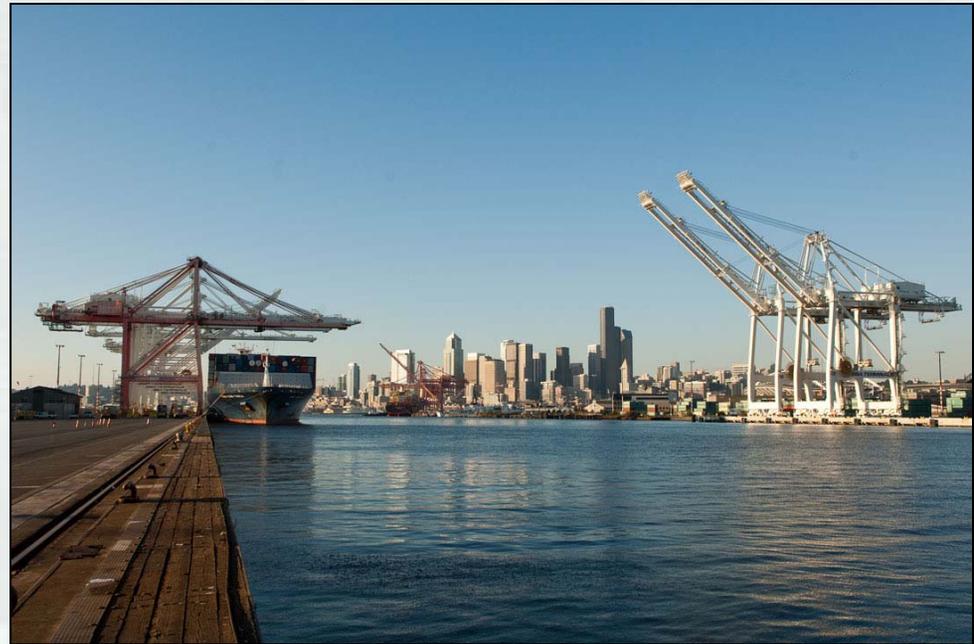
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SEATTLE HARBOR NAVIGATION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

- Corps feasibility study
 - ▶ 3-year study began fall 2014
- Non-Federal Sponsor: Port of Seattle
- Evaluation of deepening alternatives for East & West Waterways



SEATTLE HARBOR NAVIGATION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AREA



 
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Deepening Alternatives:
Evaluation of depths between
-51' to -55' MLLW for each
waterway

CORPS FEASIBILITY STUDY PROCESS

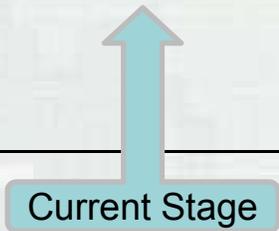


- Public input on study area problems and issues for further consideration
- Data gathering
- Environmental coordination begins

- Formulate & evaluate alternatives
- Develop conceptual designs & cost estimates
- Identify “Tentatively Selected Plan” that is in the Federal Interest & economically viable for the nation
- Draft report released for public review & comment **(SUMMER 2016)**

- Refine recommended plan based on review comments
- Further develop designs of recommended plan
- Final report released for public review **(SUMMER 2017)**

- Final report sent to Congress recommending authorization and appropriation
- Environmental compliance complete



Earliest Construction Year: 2019



PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

- November 2014- Public Information and Scoping Meeting
- EPA & DMMP Agency Coordination
- Natural Resource Agency & Tribal Outreach for evaluation of alternatives
 - ▶ Navigational safety
 - ▶ Environmental, cultural, or tribal considerations
- July 2016 – Draft FR/EA Public Review



THANK YOU!



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