

17 Aug 2004 Public Information Meeting

August 17 2004 4-6 p.m. Rotary Log Pavilion Morrison Riverfront Park 1401 Sargent Blvd Aberdeen, Washington Grays Harbor Navigation Project Operations & Maintenance Studies **Agenda** 1. Status Report: Actions since February's sand placement

- sand placement
- dune grass planting
- benthic invertebrate study
- fish and bird research
- numerical modeling
- physical model calibration
- maintenance dredging and disposal Questions? 2. Grays Harbor navigation Long Term Management Strategy (LTMS) study milestones
- Study purpose and planning approach (formulated)
- Draft report from Engineering Research and Design Center and Independent Technical Review of existing conditions (fall 2004)
- Evaluate situation improvement options (winter '04-'05)
- Recommend long term management strategy (winter '05-'06) Questions? 3. Opportunities for public involvement Working with interested parties to develop a complete understanding of Grays Harbor navigation concerns, questions and expectations
- Contracted with ECO Resource Group for public involvement
- Interviews of key interested parties (fall)
- Potential exhibition of aspects of the existing situation (winter)
- Workshops (winter) Questions? 4. Interim plan for this fall/winter while study is ongoing
- Management plan-intend to protect breach fill with sand placement, if it is threatened
- Environmental Assessment would be required if sand placement becomes necessary, have attained much more data
- Public notice would be required for sand placement
- Have source of sand and contracting tools that would allow for sand placement, if necessary 5. Remaining questions on the above information

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