

Subcommittee Background

In order to revise the Dredged Material Evaluation Framework (DMEF) document, technical subcommittees were formed in order to provide a focused evaluation of specific topics. The subcommittees provide RSET with information that is comprehensive, timely, and accurate to assist in the DMEF revision effort. To accomplish this objective, the subcommittees perform initial queries, identify data gaps and focus research needs, conduct literature reviews and necessary field and laboratory tasks, and then produce a report and/or policy recommendations to the RSET. There are two types of subcommittees, standing and term. The standing subcommittees will function for longer durations until the subcommittee issues are resolved. The term subcommittees will complete specific tasks that can be completed under shorter timeframes. The individual subcommittees are staffed by volunteers that have expressed interest in the issues that are to be addressed by each subcommittee. Volunteers were initially requested at the September 2002 RSET Workshop. Each subcommittee has a chairperson. The role of the subcommittee chairperson is to schedule subcommittee meetings, prepare agendas, monitoring progress, and lead the effort to produce the deliverable expected from the subcommittee. The preliminary list of subcommittee tasks and issues to be addressed were selected from the Technical Issues Matrix tables that were developed at the September 2002 RSET Retreat in Hood River, Oregon. Please see the September 2002 minutes for the complete list. We welcome wider representation within each subcommittees and encourage anyone interested to contact a subcommittee chair or member in order to participate.

Subcommittees

Contaminant and Analyte List Identification (Term Subcommittee) Todd Thornburg, Anchor Environmental
Beneficial Uses (Term Subcommittee) On hold
Policy Development (Standing Subcommittee) Stephanie Stirling, Corps, Seattle District
Sediment Quality Guidelines (Standing Subcommittee)
Freshwater and Marine Sediment Tests (Standing Subcommittee) Taku Fuji, Kennedy/Jenks
Bioaccumulation Issues (Standing Subcommittee) Teresa Michelsen, Avocet Consulting

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