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# **2023 Sediment Management Annual Review Meeting**

**May 3, 2023**

## **Meeting Summary**

### **Prepared by the DMMP Agencies:**

**United States Army Corps of Engineers**

**United States Environmental Protection Agency**

**Washington Department of Ecology**

**Washington Department of Natural Resources**







## LIST OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
COC	Chemicals of Concern
CY	Cubic yard
DMMO	Dredged Material Management Office
DMMP	Dredged Material Management Program
DMMU	Dredged Material Management Unit
DNR	Washington State Department of Natural Resources
Ecology	Washington State Department of Ecology
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
ERDC	Engineer Research and Development Center (USACE)
MTCA	Model Toxics Control Act
NR	Natural recovery
PCB	Polychlorinated biphenyl
PFAS	Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances
POM	Particulate Organic Matter
PSDDA	Puget Sound Dredged Disposal Analysis, the precursor to DMMP
PS-SRM	Puget Sound Sediment Reference Material
SCUM	Sediment Cleanup User's Manual
SMARM	Sediment Management Annual Review Meeting
SMS	Sediment Management Standards
TCP	Toxics Cleanup Program
TOC	Total organic carbon
USACE	United States Army Corps of Engineers
UST	Underground Storage Tanks
WA	Washington
WDFW	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
WRDA	Water Resources Development Act

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## INTRODUCTION

### Meeting Overview

The 35th annual review of sediment management issues in Washington State was held this year on May 3, 2023. This was a hybrid meeting with participants attending in-person (for the first time since the COVID-19 pandemic) as well as virtually.

The Sediment Management Annual Review Meeting (SMARM) is a joint meeting of the Dredged Material Management Program (DMMP) and the Washington Department of Ecology Toxics Cleanup Program (TCP) and is open to the public. The DMMP is an interagency cooperative program that includes the Seattle District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Region 10 of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Washington Department of Natural Resources (DNR); and the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology). This annual meeting seeks to engage and inform all interested parties on sediment management issues in Washington.

There were 183 participants from throughout the United States and Canada (79 in-person / 104 virtual). Regulatory agencies and consultants represented the majority of participants, but many other stakeholders were represented as well, including laboratories, dredging proponents, Tribes, resource agencies, legal firms, and the public. See details in Appendix C.

The meeting moderators were Joy Dunay of USACE and Justine Barton of EPA. Joy introduced herself and the managers representing each agency. Those introduced were:

	USACE	DNR	Ecology	EPA
Manager	Brian Hart	Hannah Blackstock	Brenden McFarland	David Croxton

The presentations in 2023 covered a variety of topics, including presentations on PCB cleanups and ecosystem studies, beneficial use of sediment objectives and case studies, logistical challenges for sediment evaluations, and status reports of recent program activity,

This document provides a summary of each presentation, the questions and associated answers that followed the presentation, and reproductions of slides shown.

Attached as appendices are the following documents:

**Appendix A:** Meeting Announcement (distributed via e-mail 30 days before the meeting to known interested parties and previous attendees)

**Appendix B:** Final Agenda

**Appendix C:** Meeting attendees

### DMMP Program Updates

All changes to the DMMP program since its inception have been made through the SMARM process: papers proposing updates are presented, public comments are taken, and proposals are then adopted as originally presented, modified based on comments, or not implemented at all.

DMMP identifies three kinds of papers: Issue, Clarification and Status. *Issue papers* propose substantive program-level changes that typically require approval by the directors or managers of all four DMMP agencies in order to implement. *Clarification papers* propose updates and modifications

to existing guidance that do not substantively change the program or policy. ***Status papers*** are for information only. Status papers may report on current investigations that could eventually result in an Issue or Clarification paper, or they may simply be information of interest to stakeholders.

No papers were submitted during this review period.

## PRESENTATIONS

### 1. Sediment PCB Cleanup Remedy Effectiveness: Case Study Synthesis

Clay Patmont, Anchor QEA

#### Summary

The objective of the presentation was to explore effective approaches for managing polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) in river, lake, and estuary sediments, considering their persistence and potential risks to human health and the environment. Case studies of PCB-contaminated sediment cleanups in Puget Sound and North America were reviewed to evaluate the success of PCB-cleanup remedies in reducing PCB exposure. Over the past three decades, more than 30 large-scale cleanup projects were implemented, including "megasite" cleanups that removed over 15 million cubic yards of PCB-contaminated sediment at a cost exceeding \$10 billion. Monitoring of PCB concentrations in sediment and fish tissue before and after remediation provided insights into the effectiveness of the cleanup measures. The results showed a mixed record of achieving remedial objectives, with challenges in controlling PCB sources in urban areas. While sediment remediation effectively reduced PCB concentrations, the connection between sediment and fish tissue PCB concentrations weakened as higher PCB sediment areas were addressed. Lower PCB levels were influenced more by factors such as water column exposures. The presentation concluded by summarizing the lessons learned from the case studies to inform future remediation projects.

#### Discussion

Q: Ken Patton (Apex Labs) – Atmospheric contribution of PCBs is high here. How about San Francisco?

A: Clay - There's a lot of PCBs in east coast air with the highest concentrations in urban areas. In San Francisco, and any area that had commercial industry in the 1950s, there are higher concentrations of PCBs in air and water. Puget Sound concentrations in air/water are lower but not by orders of magnitude.

Q: Dave Croxton (EPA) – Do you have more conclusions about the general conditions where natural recovery (NR) has been successful.

A: Clay - There have been quite a few cases from the east coast where NR was selected as control sufficiency determination is difficult to make. However, there are only a few systems that don't respond once source controls are in effect. NR has been very effective and there's more data to show this but didn't have time for this presentation.

Q: Andrew Schmeising (Suquamish tribe) – How were mg/L to ng/L consumption rate calcs performed (from earlier slide)?

A: Clay – Slide illustrated standard set of equations for Human Health Risk Assessment put forward in Federal guidance.

Q: Unknown - Are there similar sediment and tissue data for San Francisco Bay sites as what you provided from other projects?

A: Clay – Yes. It's a large system so difficult to pair up the sediment and tissue data. There is quite a bit of data, though. Also, there's data showing how sediments are acting as sinks and sources. There is tissue data from remediation monitoring, but most of the tissue data is from regional monitoring programs in San Francisco Bay.

### Online chat questions and responses

Q: Jeremy Buck: What complications arose when you were trying to compare PCBs over time, when you may have had Aroclor data in early years and PCB congener data in the later years, with different congeners evaluated, etc?

A: Clay –Some of the long-term tissue PCB monitoring data sets have used different analytical methods over time. In many but certainly not all cases, algorithms were developed using side-by-side analyses specific to each monitoring station, and the algorithm applied to historical data collected from that station to improve data comparability over time. In situations where PCB analytical methods changed over time and side-by-side analyses were lacking, we generally excluded such uncertain historical data from the temporal plots.

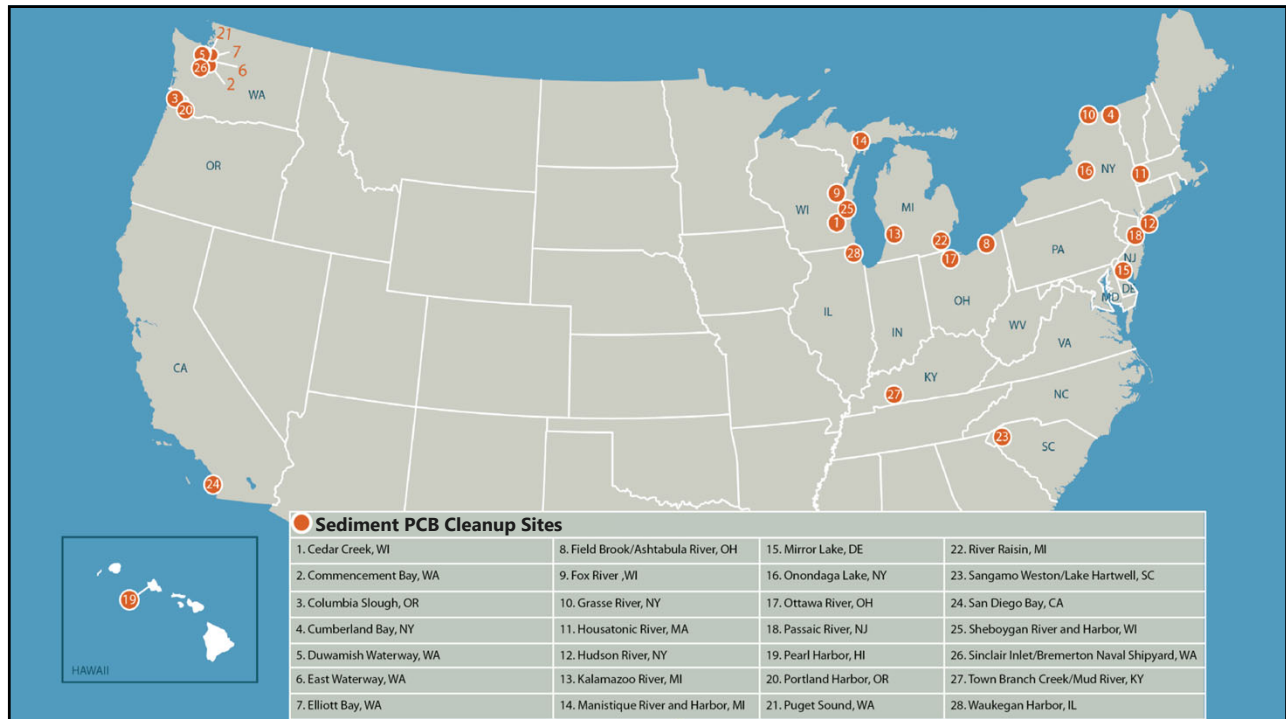
Q: Jessica Winter-Stoltzman: Source control can be a broad category- how different were the methods used from site to site? And were there some source control methods that were especially effective?

A: Clay – Effective PCB source control actions vary widely depending on the facility and environmental setting, but the more common methods have included: 1) industrial facility decontamination; 2) wastewater treatment; 3) upland and shoreline soil remediation; 4) cleaning storm drainage systems; and 5) passive stormwater treatment (e.g., infiltration).

# Sediment PCB Cleanup Remedy Effectiveness: Case Study Synthesis

Presented by: Clay Patmont, Anchor QEA

Collaborators: Paul Doody and Betsy Henry, Anchor QEA  
Suzanne Replinger, Windward

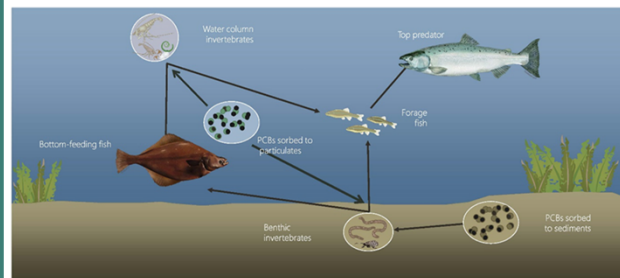


## CHALLENGE

> 15 million cubic yards dredged  
> \$10 billion spent (2022 dollars)

Was PCB sediment  
remediation  
successful?

Simple Sediment to Fish Linkage for PCBs  
Typically Assumed in Sediment Cleanup Remedies



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## APPROACH

### Sediment Remediation Case Study Reviews

- Retrospective reviews of completed projects with robust monitoring
  - To more broadly develop knowledge to inform future sediment cleanup remedies
- June 2019 Anchor QEA Seattle Workshop
  - 12 case study presentations (many Pacific Northwest sites; <https://www.smwg.org/>)
  - 66 participants (industry and federal, state, and local agencies)
- October 2022 SMWG Detroit Symposium
  - 12 case study and 4 summary presentations (<https://www.smwg.org/>)
  - 150 participants (industry and federal/state agencies)



## APPROACH

### Eight Common Topics for Each Case Study

1. Objectives of remediation
2. Summary of completed early actions and/or final remedy
3. Significant remedy scope or schedule deviations
4. When were external sources characterized and addressed?
5. Primary pre- and post-remedy effectiveness monitoring elements
6. Did the remedy achieve remediation objectives for surface sediment?
7. Is the remedy on track to achieve water/biota remediation objectives?
8. Key take-home messages on overall lessons learned

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## LESSONS

### Common Case Study Themes

- Cooperative partnerships get more done
- Source control in urban settings is difficult but critical
- Remedy flexibility and adaptive management improve success
- Remediation successfully reduces sediment concentrations
- Mixed remedy success reducing bioaccumulation exposures
  - Robust baseline and 7+ years postconstruction monitoring needed for evaluation
  - Only a subset of case studies currently have sufficiently robust monitoring data

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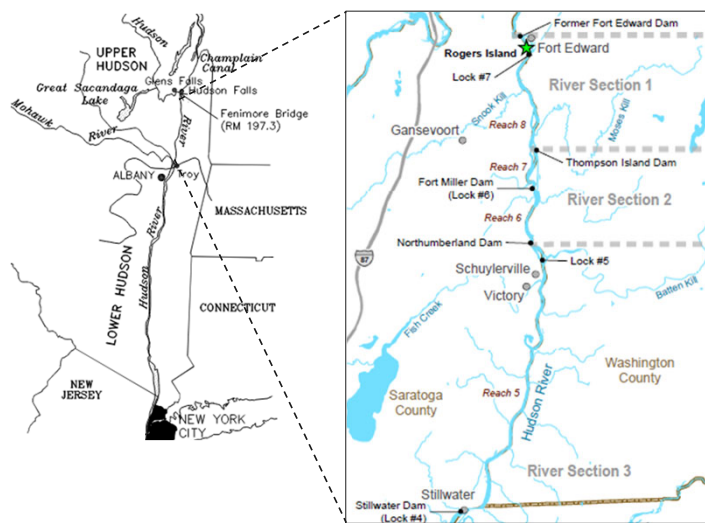
## Robust PCB Remedy Effectiveness Case Studies

- Hudson River, New York
- Fox River, Wisconsin
- Hylebos Waterway, Washington
- Sinclair Inlet, Washington
- San Francisco Bay, California

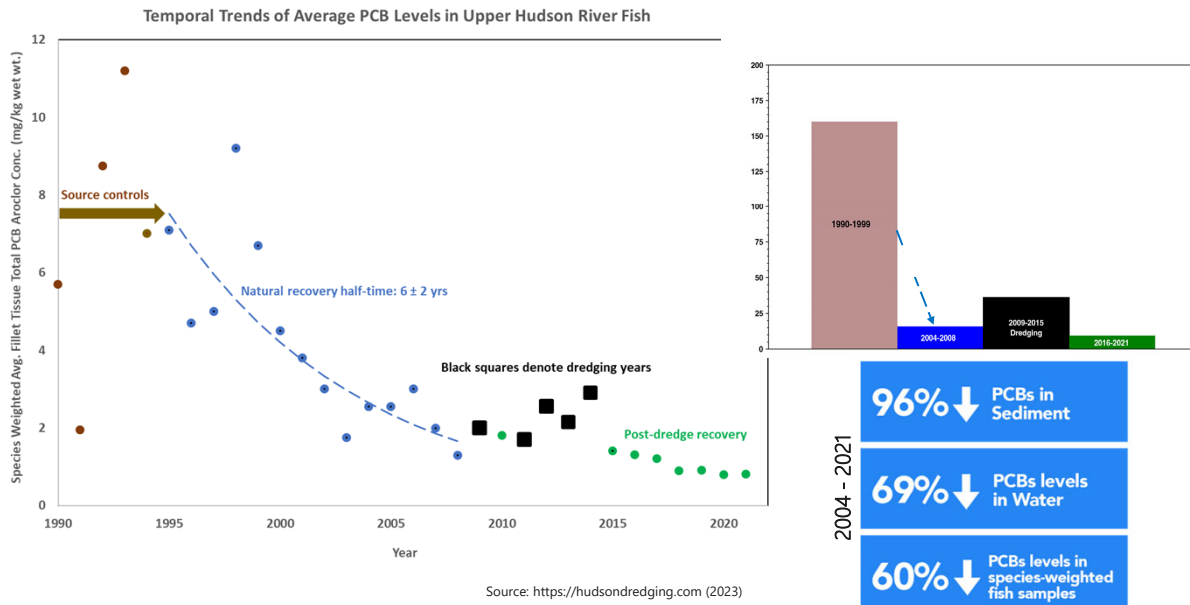


### Upper Hudson River, NY

- Direct PCB discharge from late 1940s - 1977
- Extensive upland source controls from 1974 - 1995
- 2.7 million cy sediments dredged from 2009 - 2013
  - 40 miles of River Sections 1 to 3
- Increasingly robust fish, surface water, and sediment monitoring from 1990 - 2021

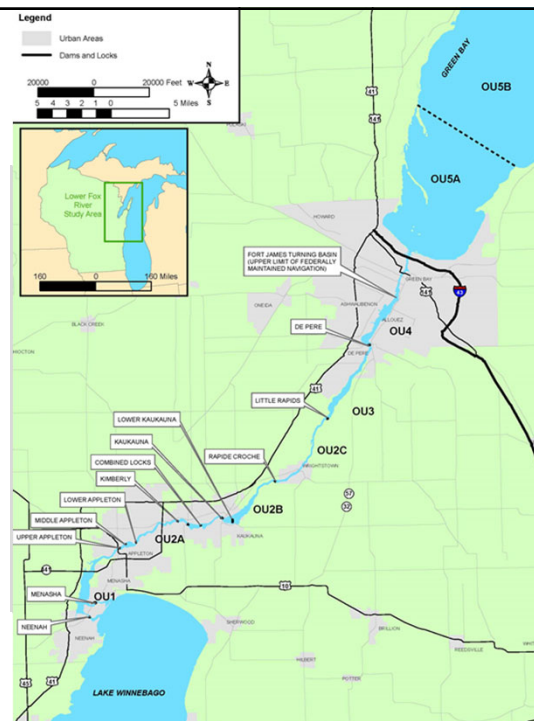


# Hudson River PCB Monitoring (Sections 1 - 3)

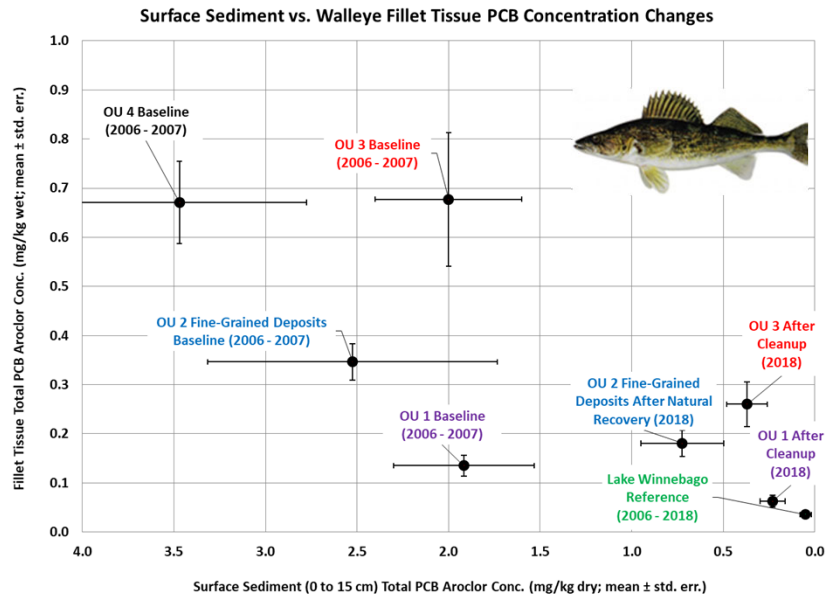


## Fox River, Wisconsin

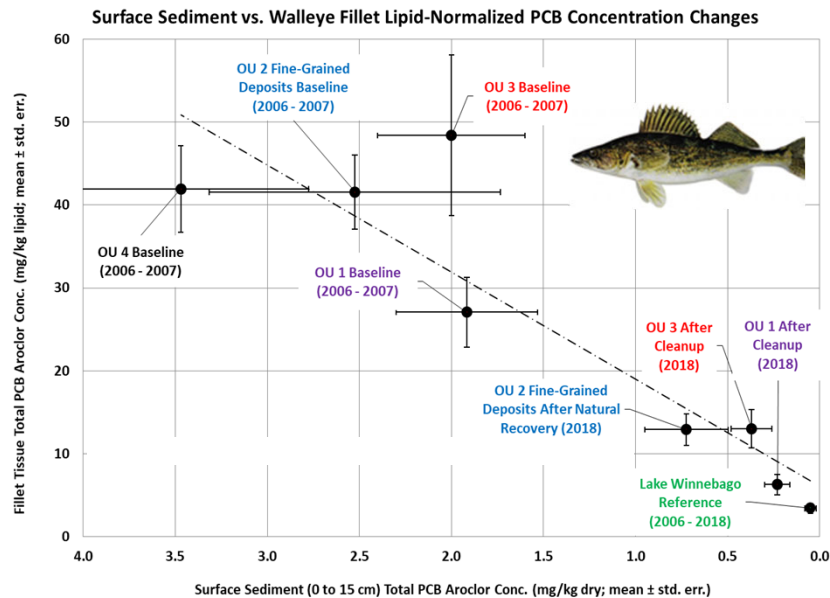
- Direct PCB discharge from 1954 - 1971
  - Upland source control by 1980s
- Limited monitoring from 1989 - 2005
  - Fish/water natural recovery half-times:  $7 \pm 3$  yr
- 6.1 million cy dredged from 2004 - 2020
  - 30 miles of Operable Units (OUs) 1 - 5
  - Post-dredge capping and cover
  - OU 2 natural recovery remedy
- Robust fish, surface water, and sediment monitoring from 2006 - 2021



# Fox River Remedy Effectiveness: Wet Weight Tissue

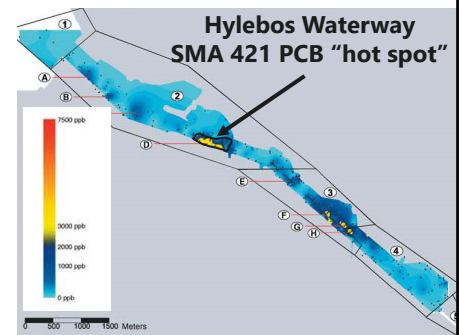


# Fox River Remedy Effectiveness: Lipid Normalized Fish Tissue

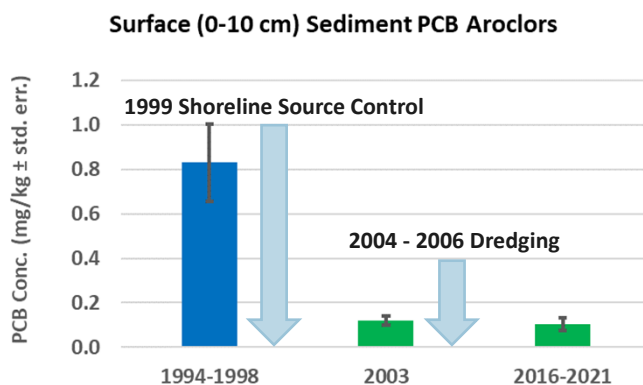


# Hylebos Waterway, Washington

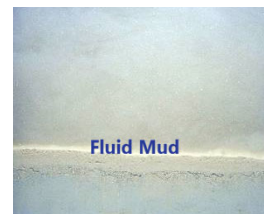
- Numerous historical PCB sources
  - Extensive wastewater/stormwater controls and upland/shoreline cleanup from 1985 - 1999
  - Source control verified in 2001
- Sediment remediation from 2001 - 2006
  - 1.5 million cy sediment dredged (24 acres)
  - 8 acres monitored natural recovery
  - 3 acres capped
- Sediment Management Area (SMA) 421 historical PCB "hot spot" (9 acres)



## Hylebos Waterway SMA 421 Sediment Monitoring



- 1999 shoreline source control
  - Failed wooden bulkhead
- Recovery half-time:  $3 \pm 1$  yrs
  - Fluid mud/nepheloid layer flux
  - Similar to Bellingham Bay



Sources: Hylebos Cleanup Committee (1999); Anchor QEA (2003, 2021)

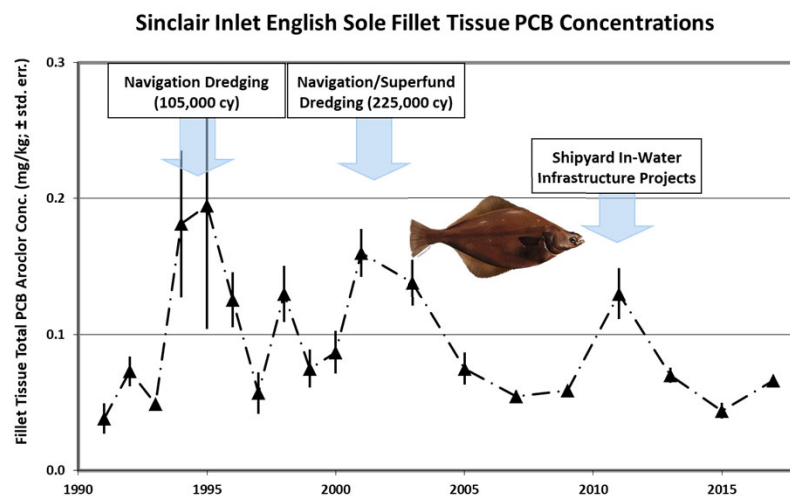
## Sinclair Inlet, Washington

- Numerous historical shipyard PCB sources
  - Continuous source control improvements since 1992
- Navigation dredging in 1994/1995
- Navigation/Superfund actions in 2000/2001
  - 225,000 cy sediment dredged (32 acres)
  - 13 acres capped or sand covered
- Shipyard infrastructure projects in 2011
- Robust fish tissue sampling from 1991 - 2017



## Sinclair Inlet Remedy Effectiveness Monitoring

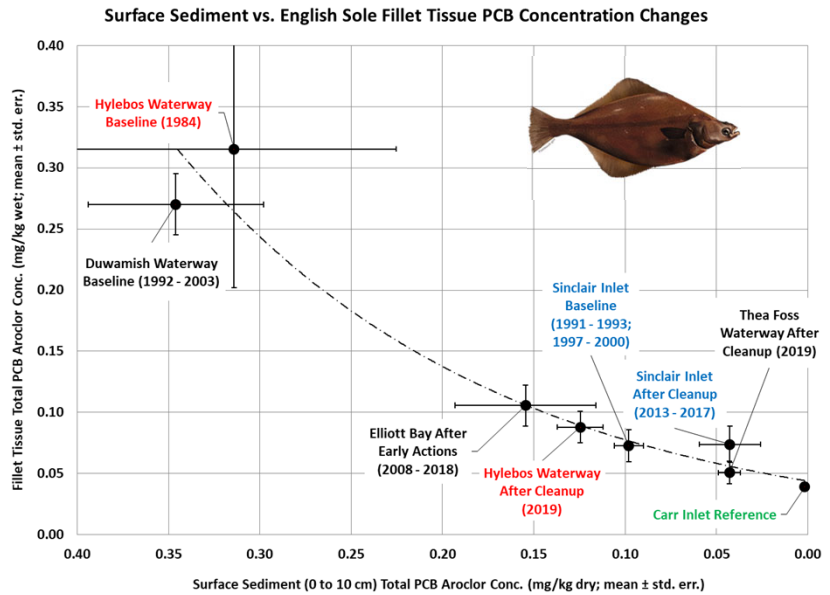
- Tissue peaks associated with in-water construction releases
  - Similar data from Thea Foss Waterway
- No net recovery of tissue PCB levels over 26 years



Source: West et al. (2017)



# Puget Sound Remedy Effectiveness Monitoring (robust tissue: sediment data pairs only)



# San Francisco Bay PCB Exposure Control Strategy

- Stormwater source control to achieve 0.01 mg/kg tissue criterion (and 0.17 ng/L in water)

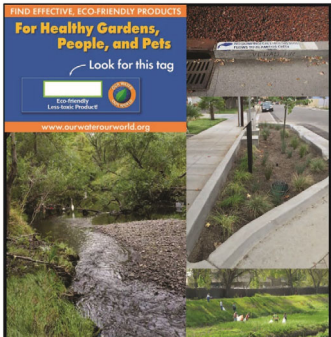
Source Category	PCB Loading (kg/yr)
Stormwater runoff	20
Central Valley drainage	11
Municipal dischargers	2.3
Industrial dischargers	0.035
Navigation dredging	Net Loss
Sediments	Net Sink

Source: California Regional Water Quality Control Board (2008)

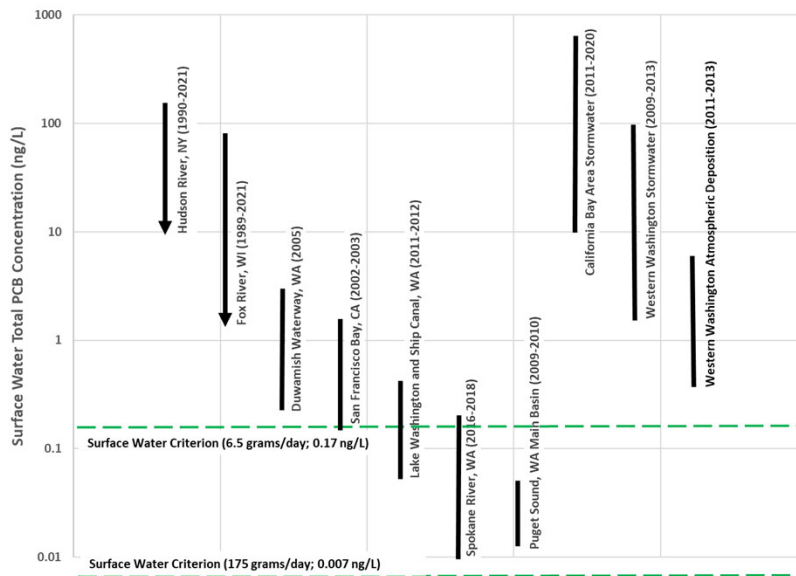


California Regional Water Quality Control Board  
San Francisco Bay Region  
Municipal Regional Stormwater NPDES Permit

Order No. R2-2015-0049  
NPDES Permit No. CAS612008  
November 19, 2015



# Surface Water PCB Concentration Comparison



Sources: California Regional Water Quality Control Board (2008), Windward (2010), Ecology (2011, 2015), King County (2013), LimnoTech (2017, 2019), Arconic (2018), Greenberg (2019), Rodenburg et al. (2019), San Francisco Estuary Institute (2022)

## LESSONS

### Summary

- As sediment concentrations decrease, sediment linkages with fish tissue PCB concentrations diminish
  - Non-sediment factors such as water column exposures become predominant
- Source (e.g., stormwater) control in urban settings is difficult
  - But source control has generally been more effective than sediment remediation after higher-concentration PCB sediments are addressed
  - Site-specific dynamic equilibrium of surface sediments with ongoing sources
- Robust site monitoring data currently being compiled to improve access



## Questions/Discussion



## 2. The Potential Impact of PCBs From a Local Source (e.g., a CERCLA Site) on a Broader, Basin-Wide Ecosystem Scale

Jim West, WDFW

### Summary

Jim discussed research conducted by the TBiOS team regarding PCB contamination in the Puget Sound ecosystem. The team monitored PCB levels in various habitats and species, such as English sole, Pacific herring, and juvenile chinook salmon. The data indicated that PCB concentrations remain a significant concern, surpassing established recovery goals in many areas. The findings emphasized the detrimental impact of PCBs on the health and population recovery of species like chinook salmon and the endangered southern resident killer whales. Ongoing monitoring and remediation initiatives are crucial to guarantee the ecosystem's recuperation and overall health.

Studies were recently conducted to examine the biomagnification of PCBs in the pelagic food web of Puget Sound. The studies aimed to investigate how PCBs enter and accumulate in the food web and identify potential sources and pathways. By analyzing PCB levels in different species and correlating them with trophic levels, the researchers found a substantial increase in PCBs as they moved up the food chain. This study focused on the central basin of Puget Sound, highlighting Elliott Bay as a hotspot for PCB contamination. The researchers proposed that PCBs enter the food web through particles associated with the microbial food web and marine snow, with krill playing a crucial role in transferring PCBs to higher trophic levels.

### Discussion

Q: Mark Larson (Anchor) – Will TBiOS be collecting data for juvenile salmon and herring into the future? Will we be able to look at recovery trends?

A: Jim - TBiOS has been collecting fish tissue since 1989. Yes, the 5 species regularly sampled (Herring, Dungeness crab, mussels, English sole, juvenile chinook) will continue to be monitored in order to evaluate time trends in Puget Sound.

Q: Ken Patton (Apex) – Are Polychlorinated naphthalene and PCTs being considered for monitoring?

A: Jim – They are being considered. Additional money just arrived for Contaminants of Emerging Concern but other COCs are more important to the program right now.

Q: Pete Rude (Seattle Public Utilities) – In particulate organic matter (POM) is there an inorganic fraction that can be teased out? How do COCs in adult salmon in ocean compare with resident salmon?

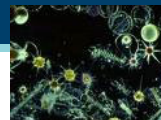
A: Jim – We haven't measured inorganic vs organic fractions in POM separately. People predict that inorganic component is not a big driver. Could analyze archives. High PCBs in the inorganic fraction could indicate contribution of disturbed sediments.

Jim - Ocean migrants returning after 3+ yrs have lower PCBs than residents but are 3-4x greater than non-Puget Sound ocean migrants. They are getting exposure but not as high as the ones that stay in Puget Sound.

# The potential impact of PCBs from a local source on a basin-wide ecosystem scale; preliminary results from WDFW's 2021 pelagic food web study.

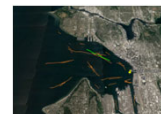


James West, Sandra O'Neill, Louisa Harding; Washington Dept. of Fish and Wildlife



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C.A. James, University of Washington (Tacoma)

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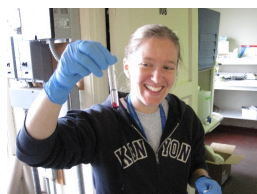
## WDFW's Toxics Biological Observation (TBIOS) Team



Jim West



Sandie O'Neill



Louisa Harding



Molly Shuman-Goodier



Andrea Carey



Mariko Langness



Rob Fisk



Danielle Nordstrom



Andrew Beckman



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## Outline for today...

1. Review PCB status – why are we still concerned about them?
2. Focus on the *pelagic food web*
3. Introduce the Salish Sea Model (SSM) project with PNNL
4. Describe early results re: 2021 plankton field work -- the Lower Duwamish Waterway as a putative local source of PCBs in Puget Sound's pelagic food web.



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## Some conclusions from 30 years of TBIOS Monitoring PCBs

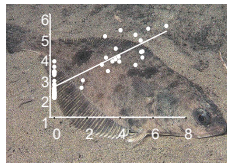
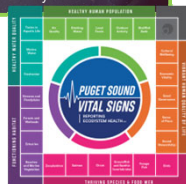


Photo by Andrew Hendry



- PCBs remain ***one of most concerning toxic contaminants*** we know of in Puget Sound
- PCBs in Puget Sound-origin Chinook salmon, herring, and English sole are ***high enough to impair their health***
- PCBs in Puget Sound-resident Chinook salmon, Dungeness crab, spot prawn, rockfish, English sole and others are ***high enough to result in DOH consumption advisories***
- PCBs in southern resident killer whales (SRKW) are high enough to ***impair their health and population recovery***



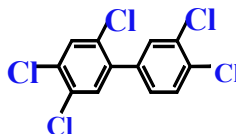
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<https://wdfw.wa.gov/species/habitats/science/marine/toxics>

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# Current status of PCBs in Puget Sound biota?



Juries award students, parents, teachers \$247 million for toxic exposure at Sky Valley Education Center in Monroe



Monsanto will pay \$95 million in PCB settlement with Washington state

By Evan Buell  
Seattle Times staff reporter  
The state of Washington will receive tens of millions of dollars in a settlement against Monsanto over its manufacture of toxic chemicals that were deposited decades ago in Washington soil and water and continue to wreak environmental damage today.  
State Attorney General Rob Ferguson's office is now using the company case

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### Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)

**EPA Proposes Changes to the PCB Regulations**

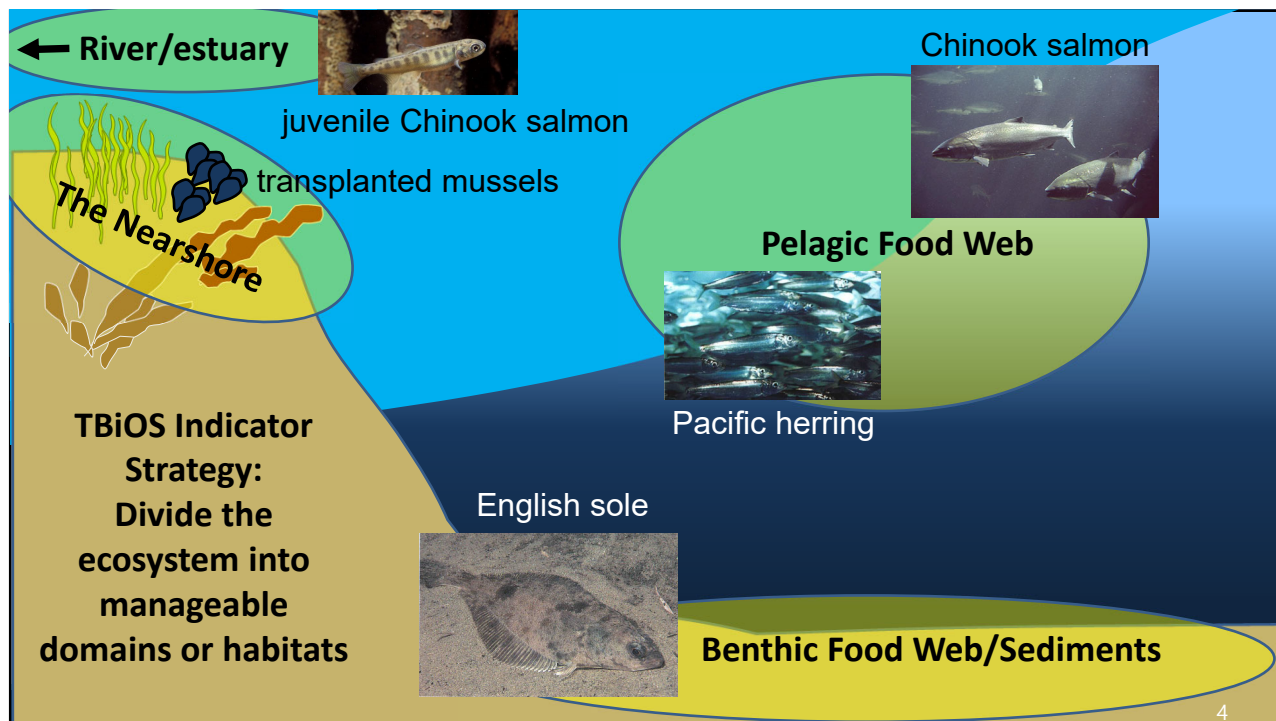
EPA is proposing a number of regulatory changes that address several key issues related to implementing the PCB Cleanup and Disposal Program under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA).

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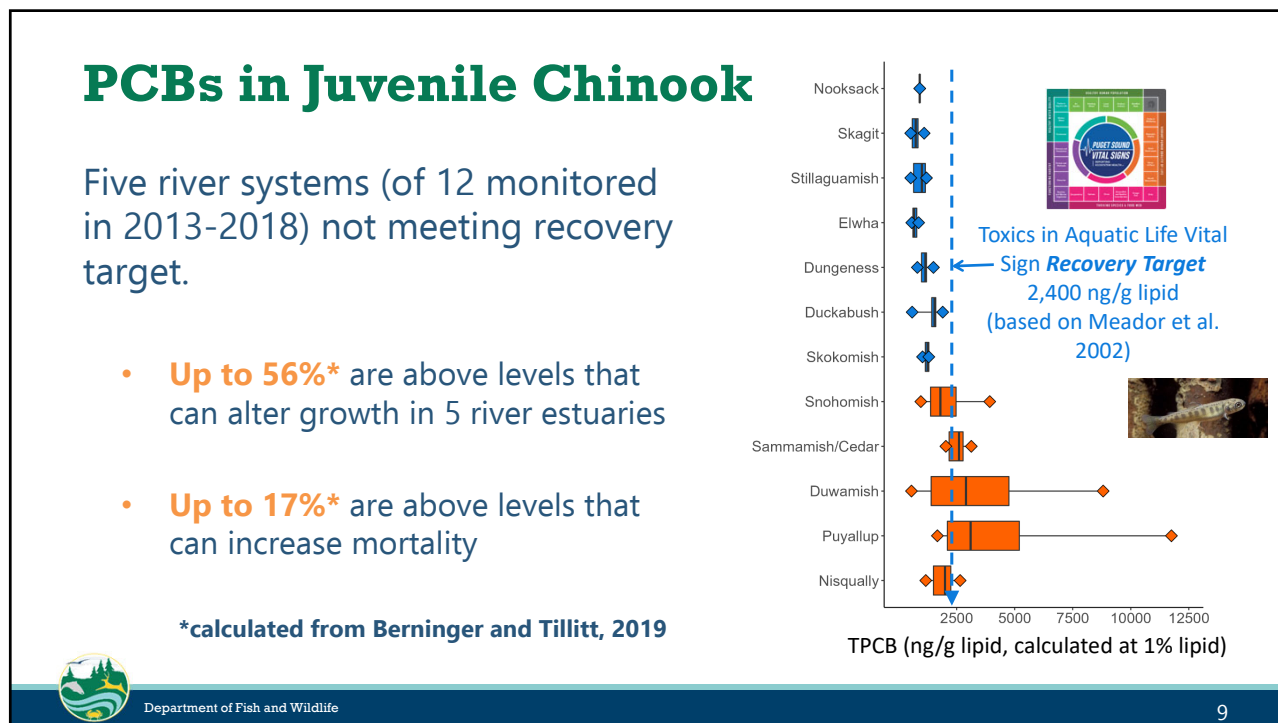
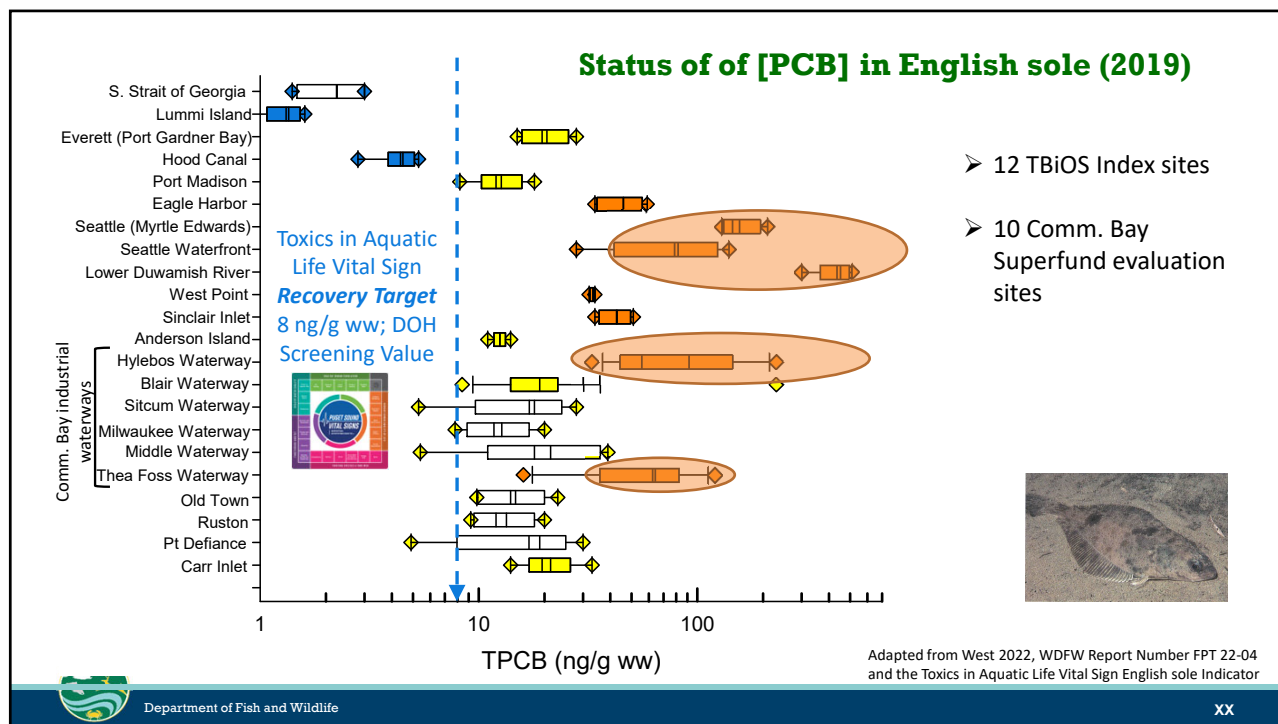


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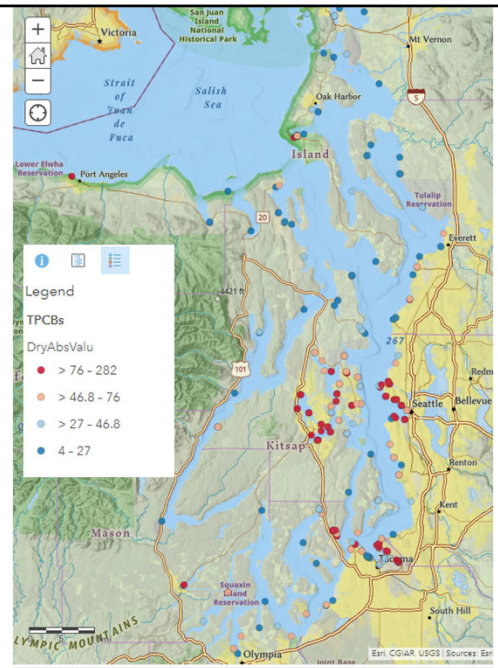
## PCBs in Deployed\* Mussels (2012/20)

- Similar pattern to benthic and estuary indicators
- Greatest concentration in urbanized embayments or near known sources
- Recovery target for nearshore/mussels TBD

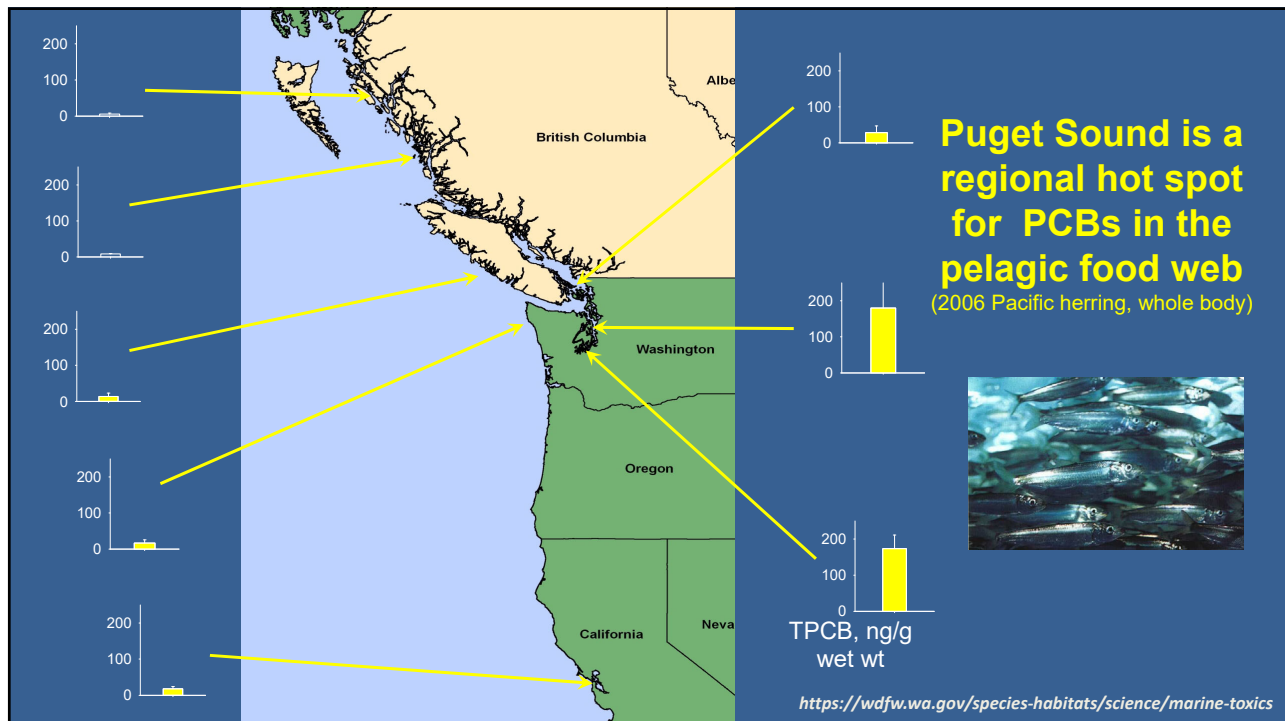


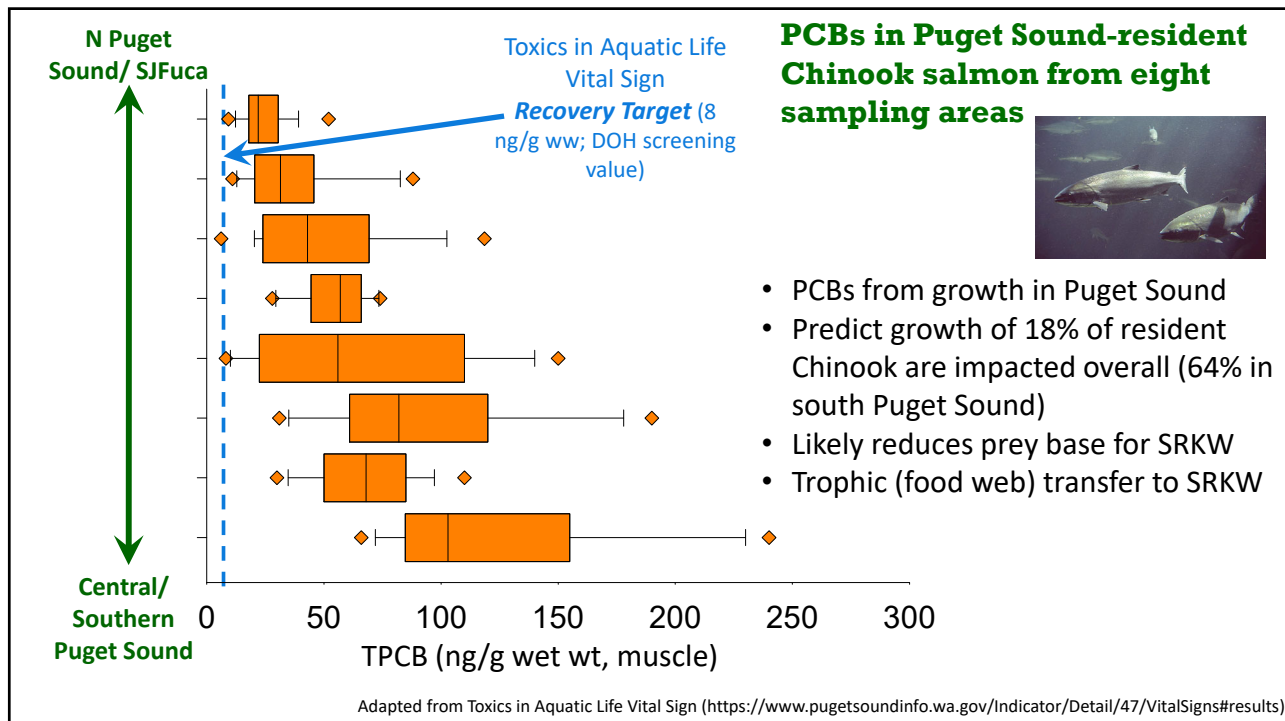
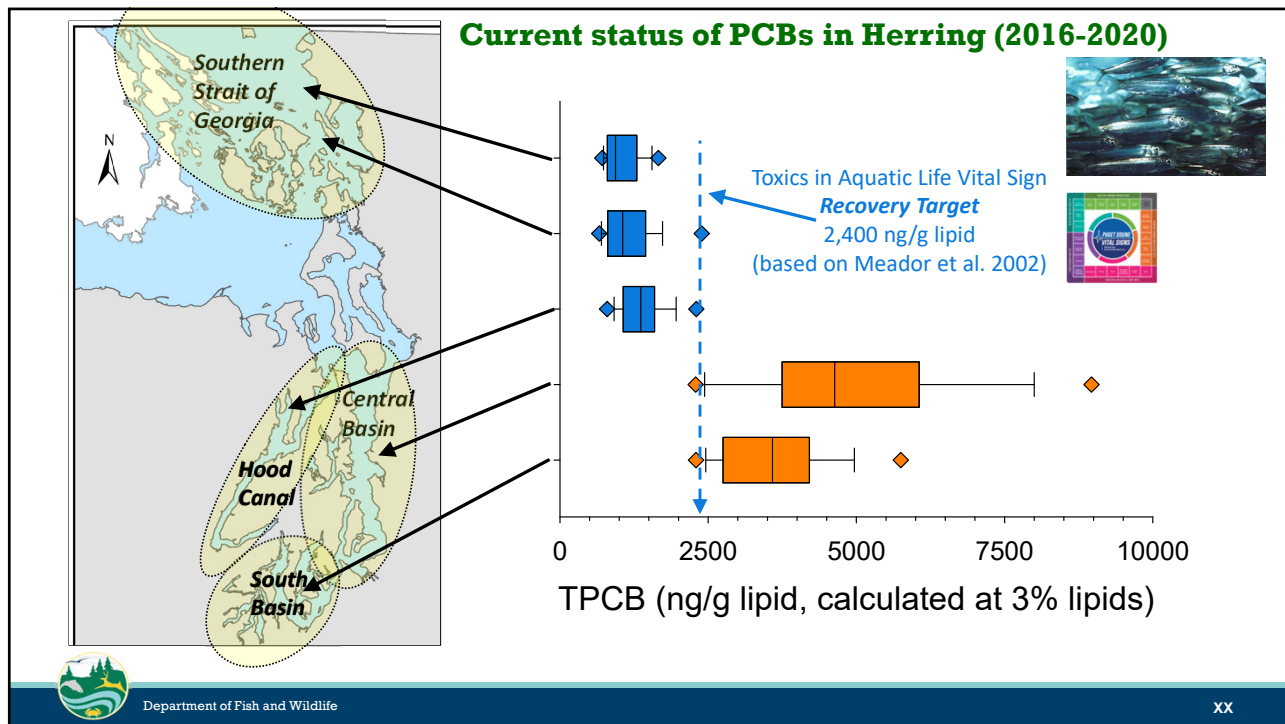
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\*two to three month deployment



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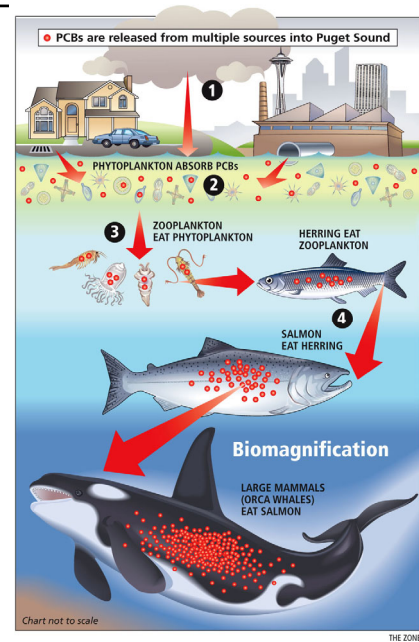




# Trophic Magnification of PCBs in the Pelagic Food Web

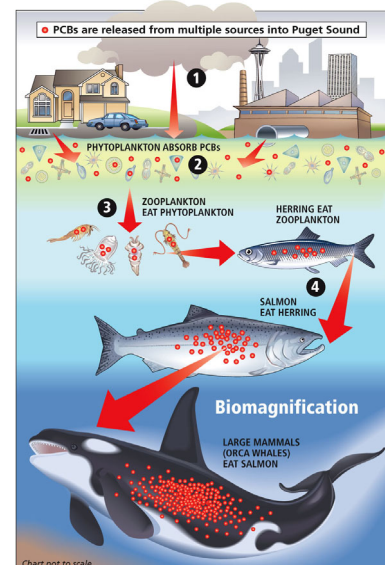
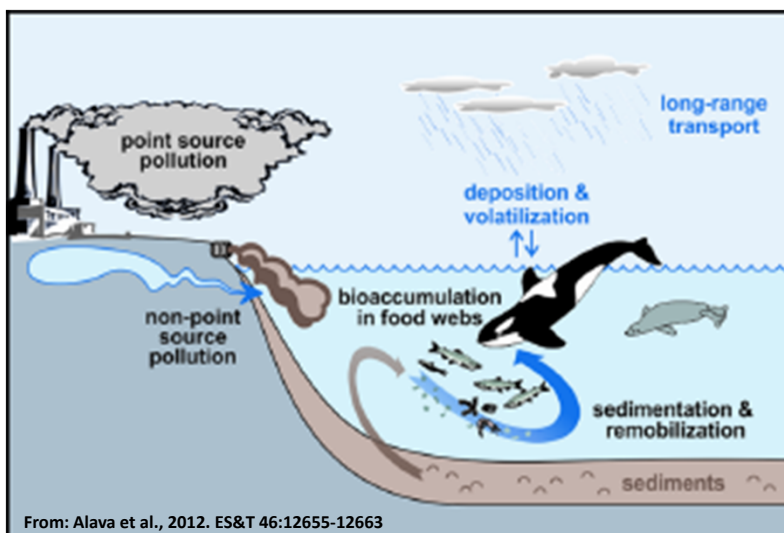


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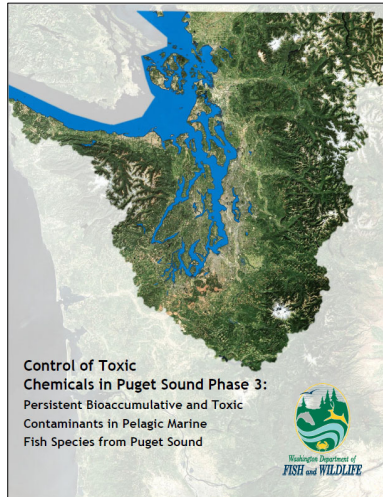
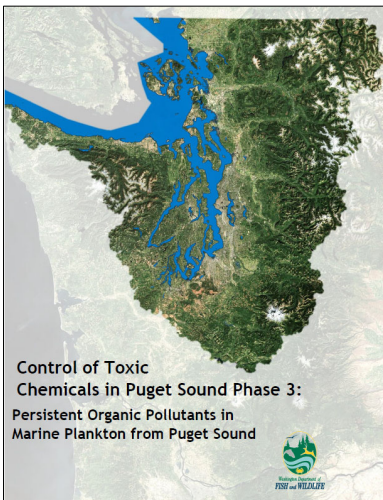
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Two models to conceptualize transfer of PCBs in the pelagic food web



WDFW illustration with the Seattle Post Intelligencer

## Early PCB/Pelagic Food Web Studies

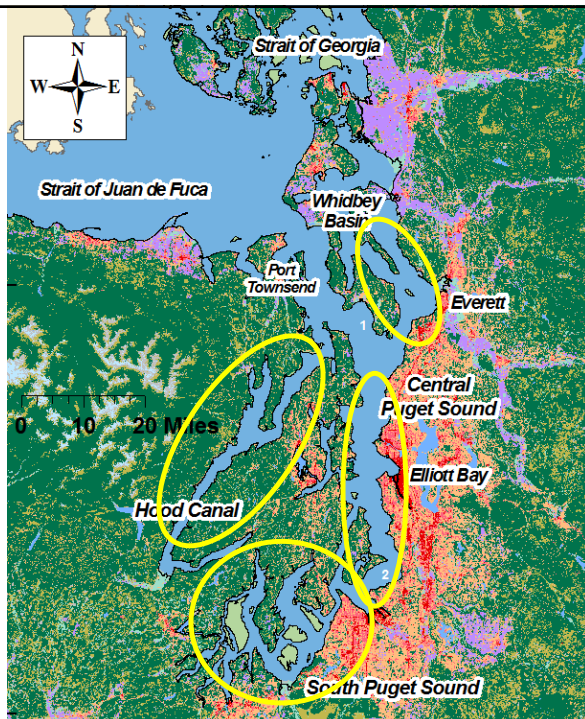


NEP-funded studies to evaluate why existing mass balance models (Pelletier and Mohamedali, 2009) poorly predicted [PCB] in the pelagic food web – models based on a food web model connected primarily to sediment PCB sources



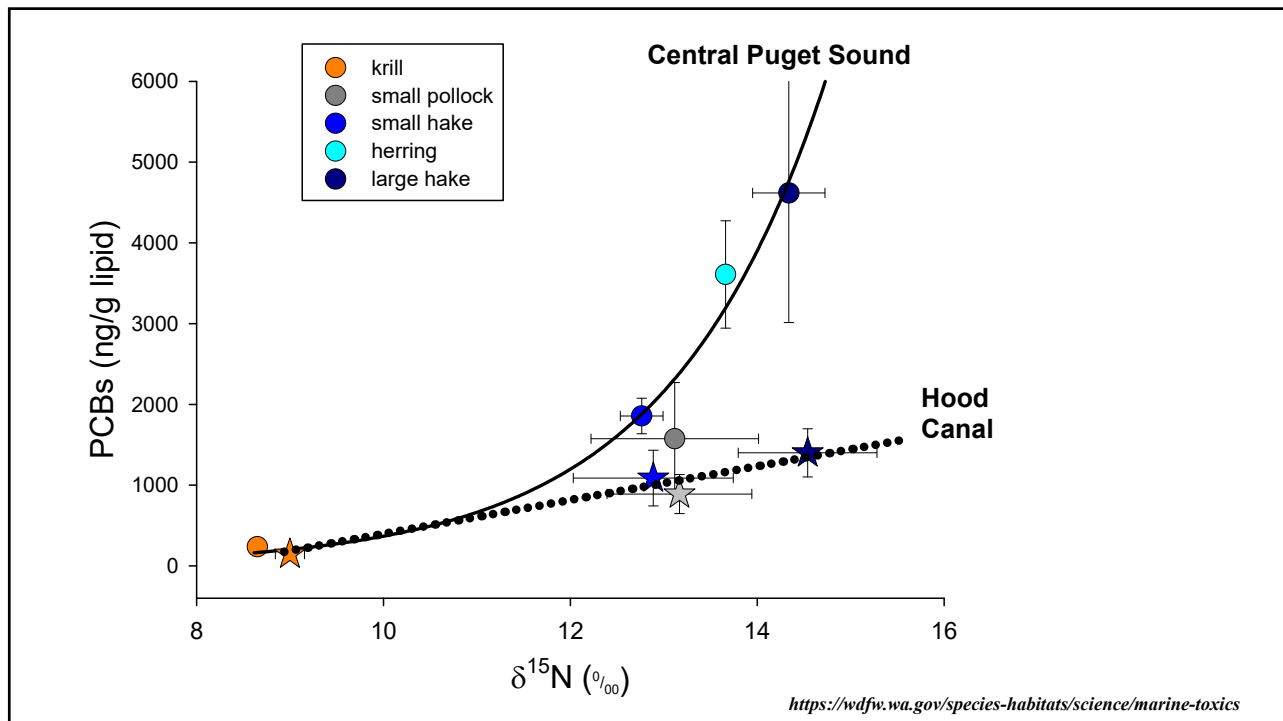
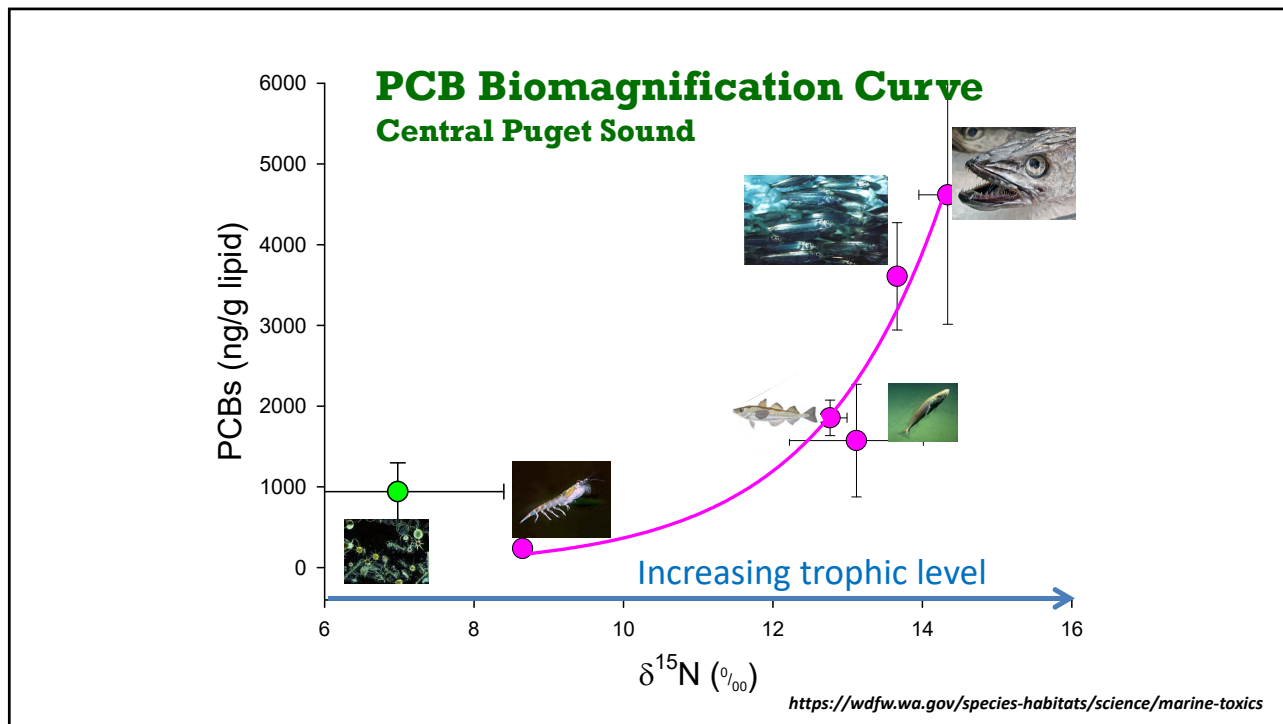
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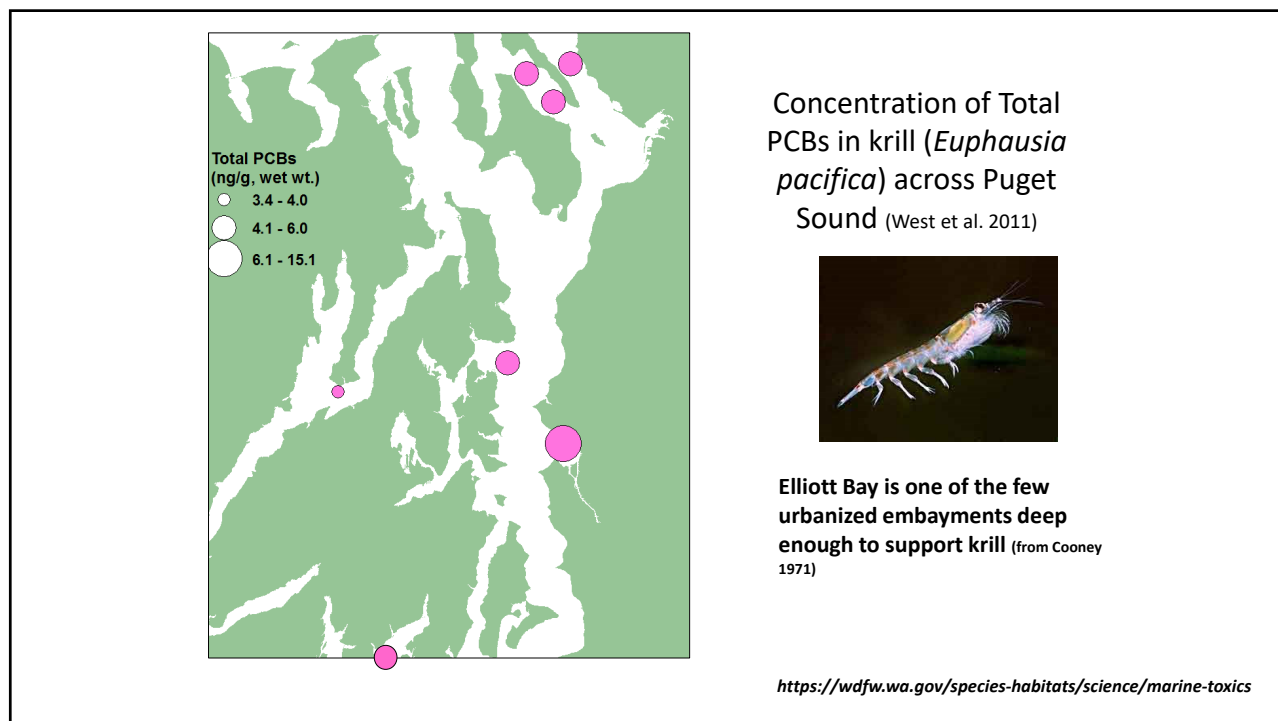
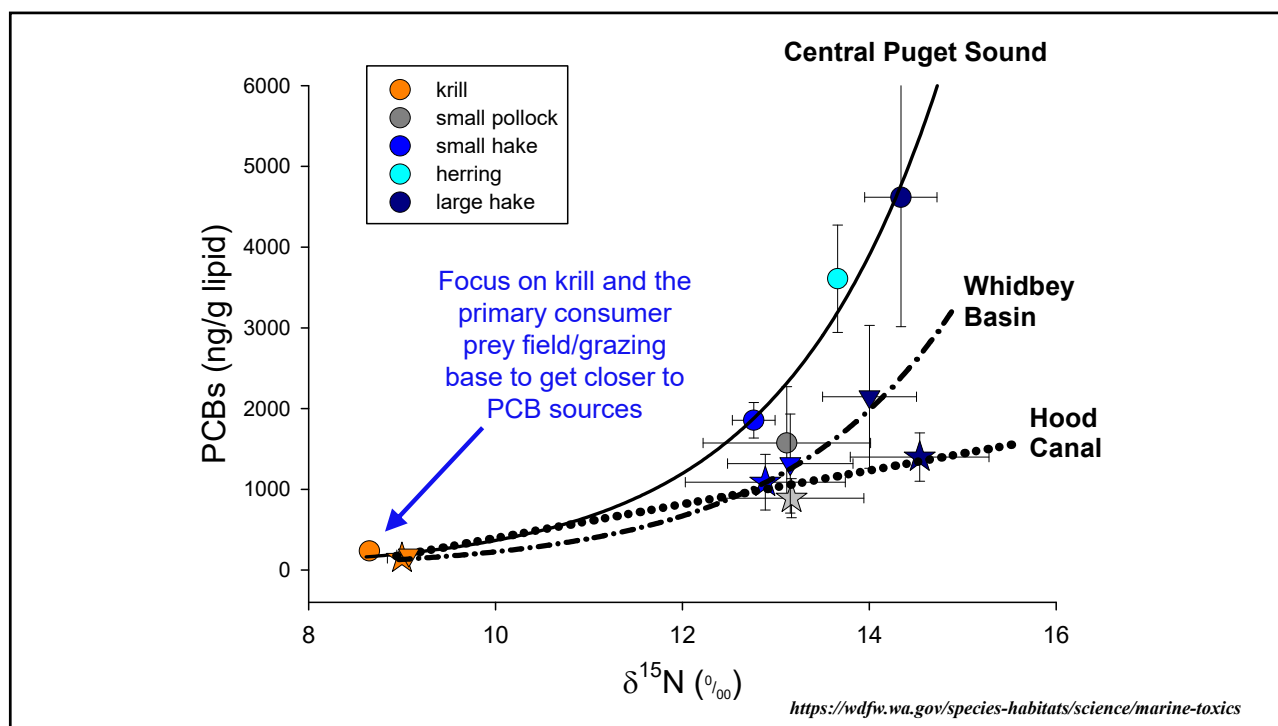
a comparison of **PCB biomagnification** in lower trophic levels from four Puget Sound basins, across a wide range of basin-specific land-use

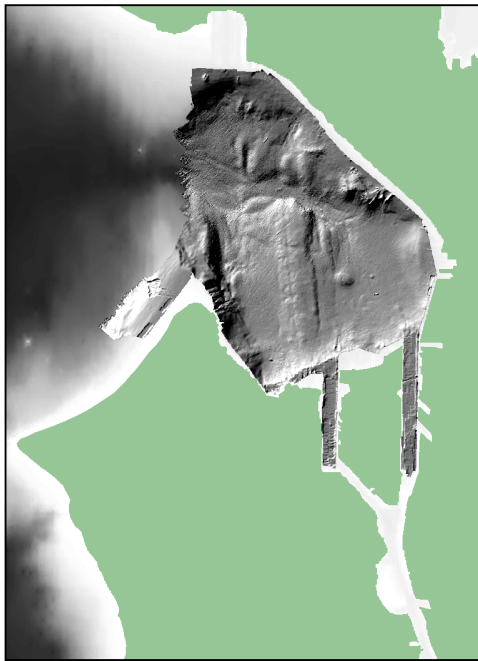


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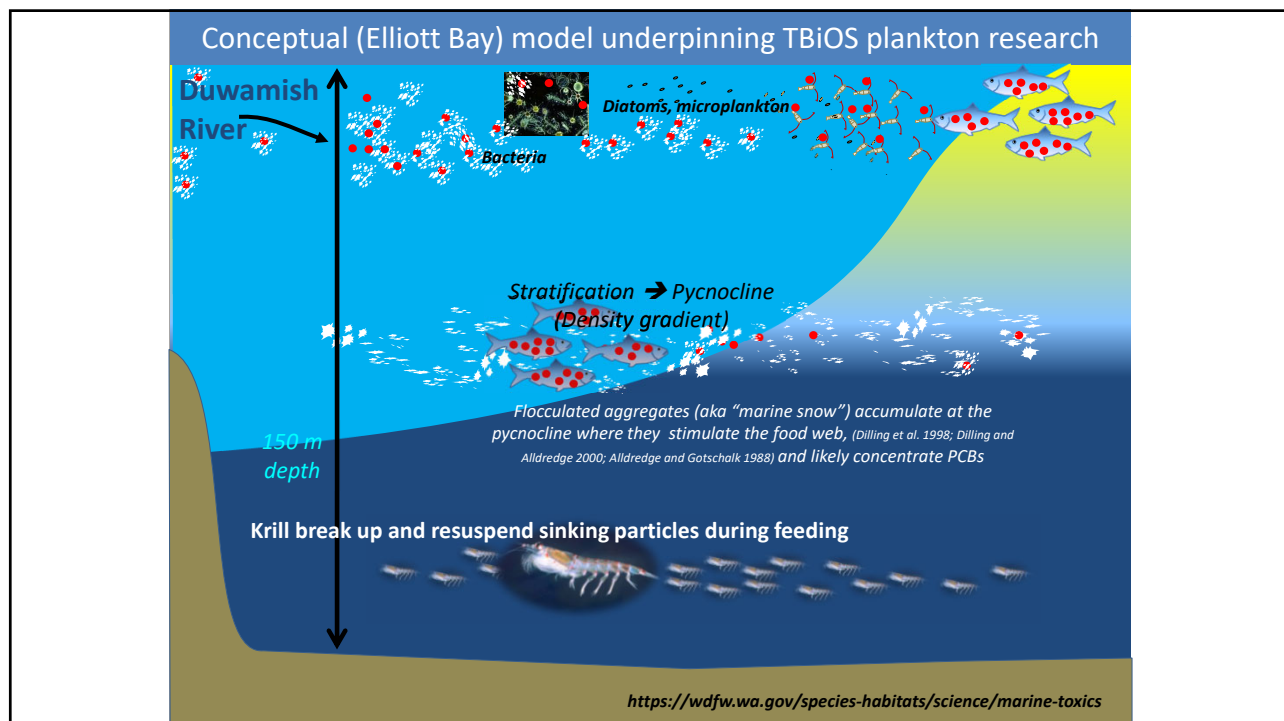




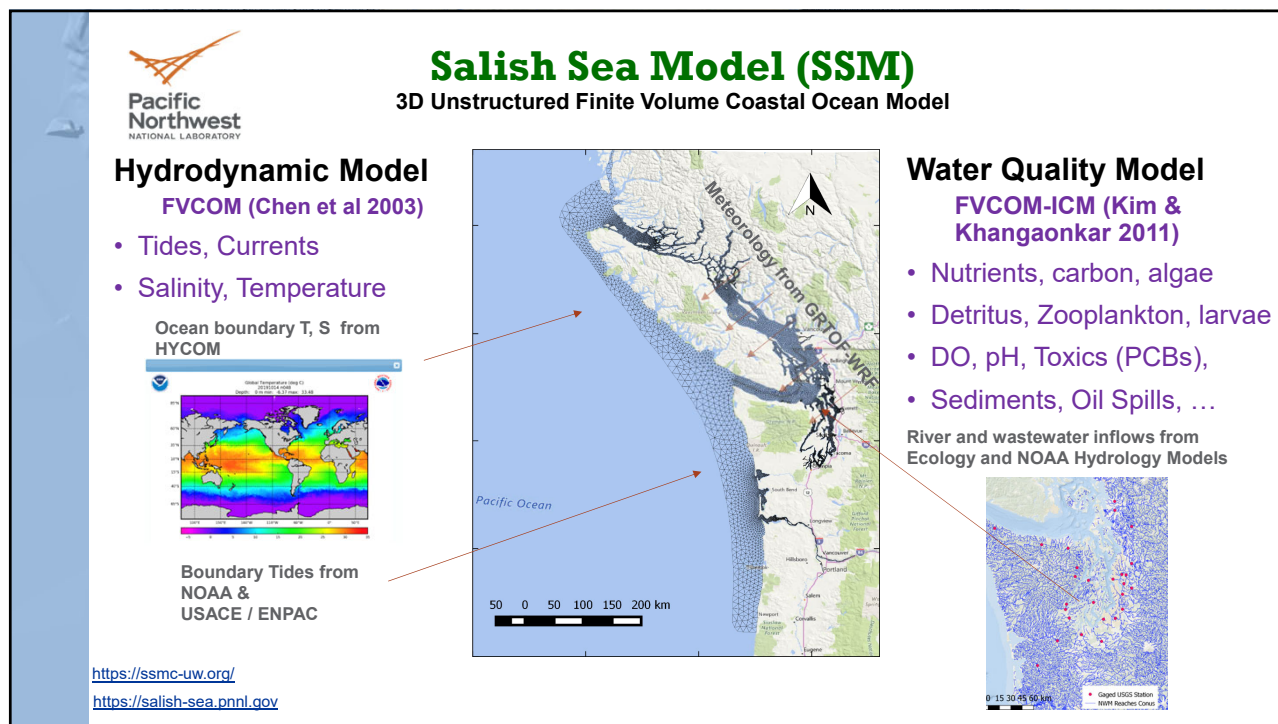
## Focus on Elliott Bay

- Large urban embayment
- All indicator species more contaminated with PCBs here than anywhere else in Puget Sound
- Receives river (surface) water flowing through PCB Superfund

<https://wdfw.wa.gov/species-habitats/science/marine-toxics>







## Development of a Toxics Module for the Salish Sea Model Using Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)

IPA IA Contract No. DW-089-92483101-0

**September 2019**

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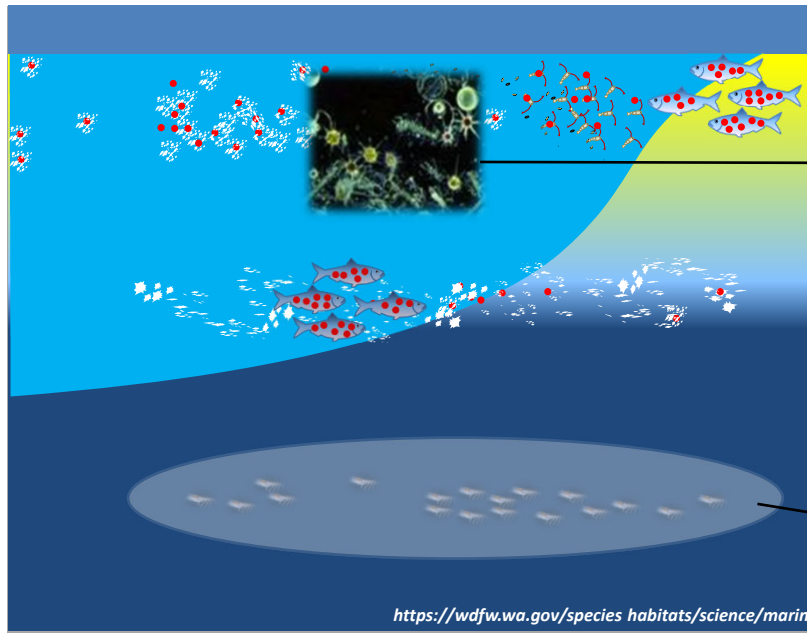
J.E. West

- PNNL, UWT, and WDFW collaborating to develop a **Toxics Module** for the **Salish Sea Model (SSM)**
- Incorporate PCB field observational data, PCB kinetics, and fate/transport into the existing SSM framework
- Where, how, and when do PCBs enter the pelagic food web?



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under a Government Order with the U.S. Department of Energy  
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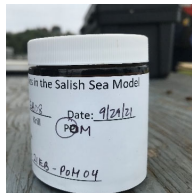


## 2021/22 Field studies focus on:

- POM (particulate organic matter)
  - Size-selected microplankton
  - targeting diatoms
  - the “prey field” for
- Krill (*Euphausia pacifica*) = “primary consumers”

[https://wdfw.wa.gov/species\\_habitats/science/marine](https://wdfw.wa.gov/species_habitats/science/marine)

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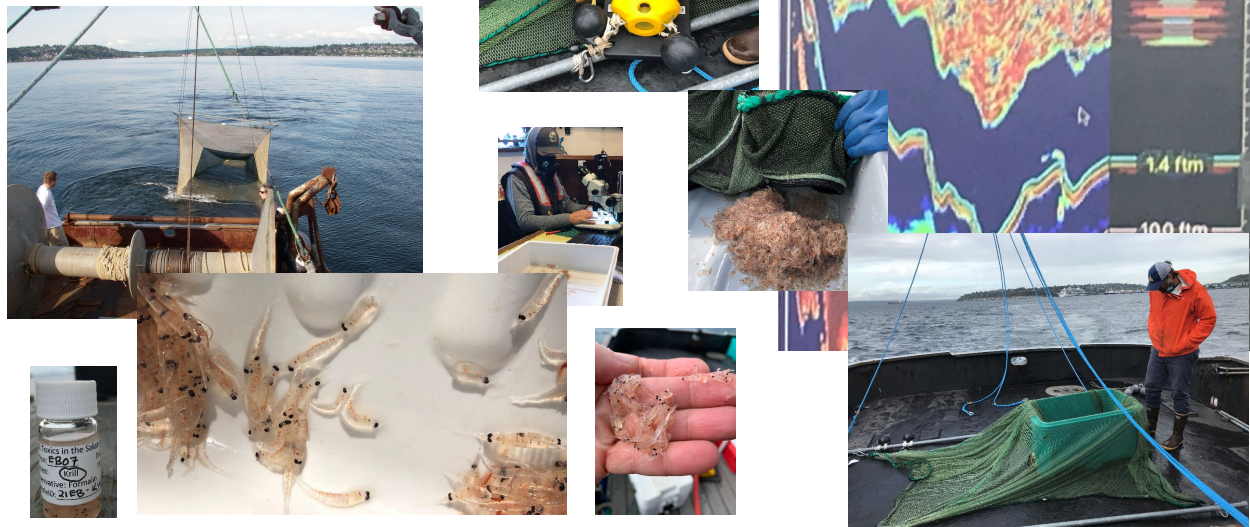


Primarily *Coscinodiscus* sp in 2021

(Gabriela Hannach/King County photos)

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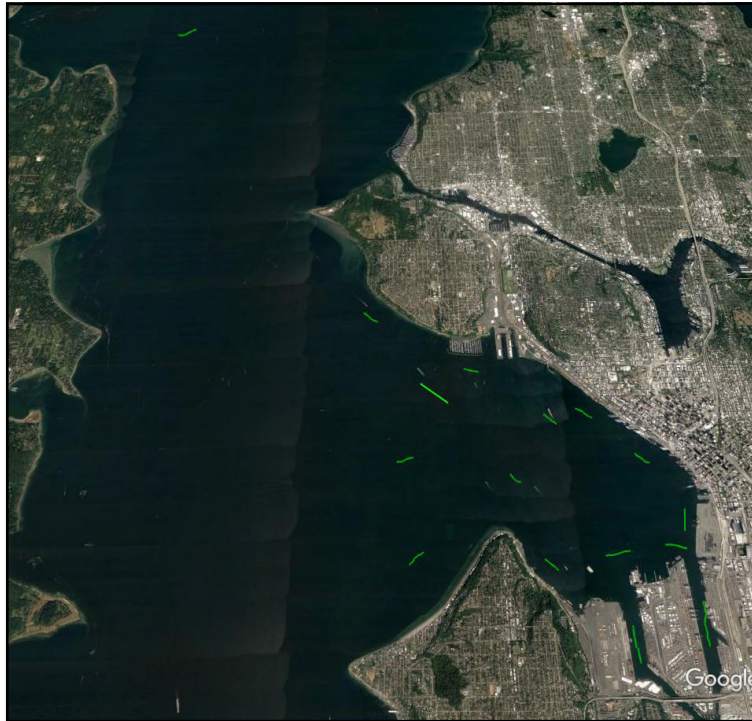


## PCBs in Puget Sound's Pelagic Food Web: Hypotheses to be Tested

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- [PCB] in krill will correlate with POM.
- Degree of chlorination of PCBs in biota will decline with distance from LDW putative source (*sensu* Ross et al. 2004).

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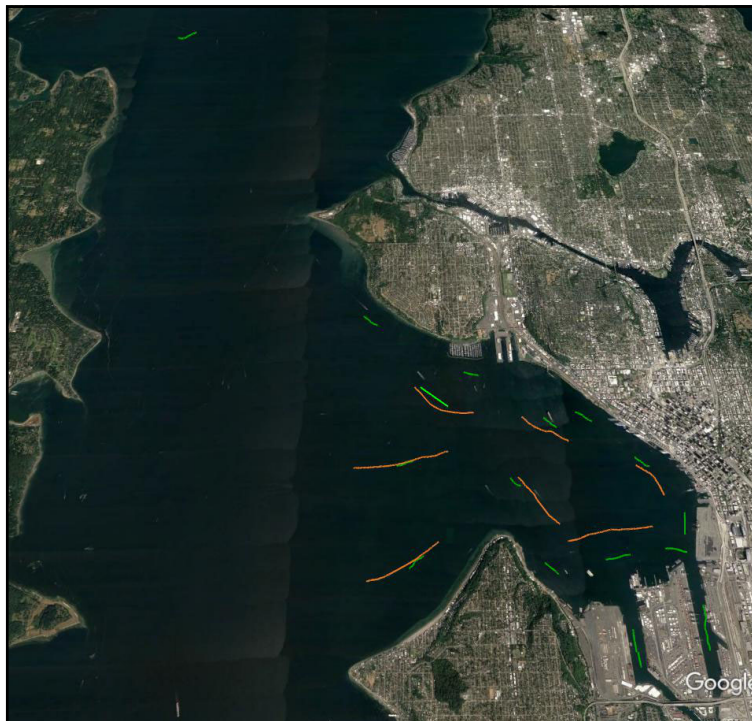


## 2021 Pelagic Food Web PCB Synoptic Gradient Study

Primary producers (POM) in surface waters

- green tracks
- phytoplankton, or Particulate Organic Matter (POM) => **prey field for primary consumers**
- primarily diatoms in
- surface waters (<7m)

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## 2021 Pelagic Food Web PCB Synoptic Gradient Study

Surface primary producers (POM)

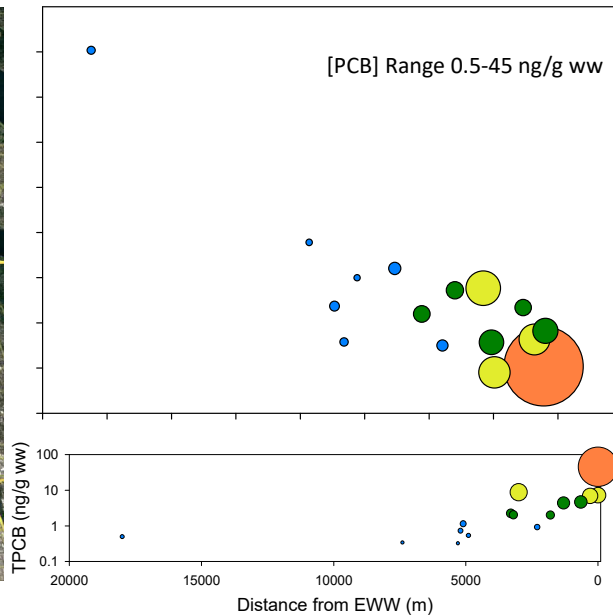
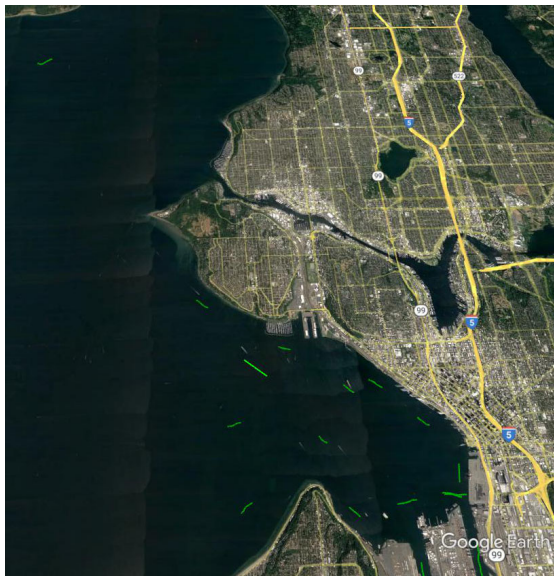
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- primarily diatoms in
- surface waters (<7m)

*Euphausia pacifica* (krill)

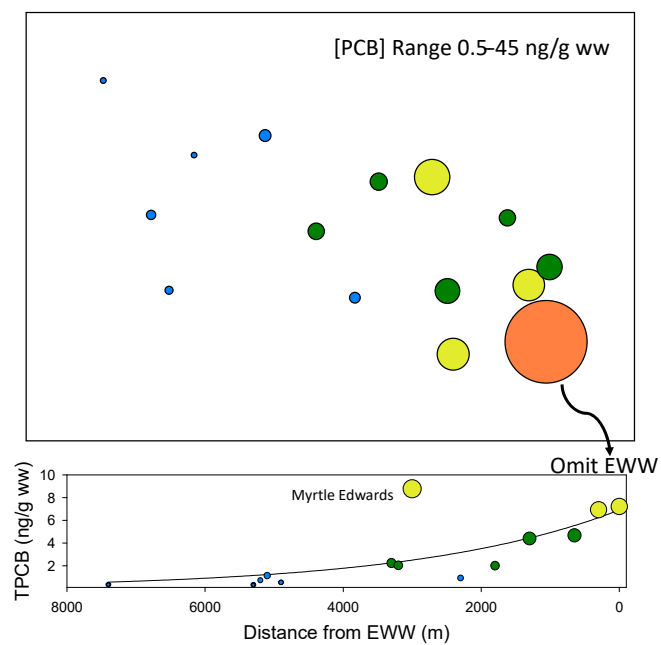
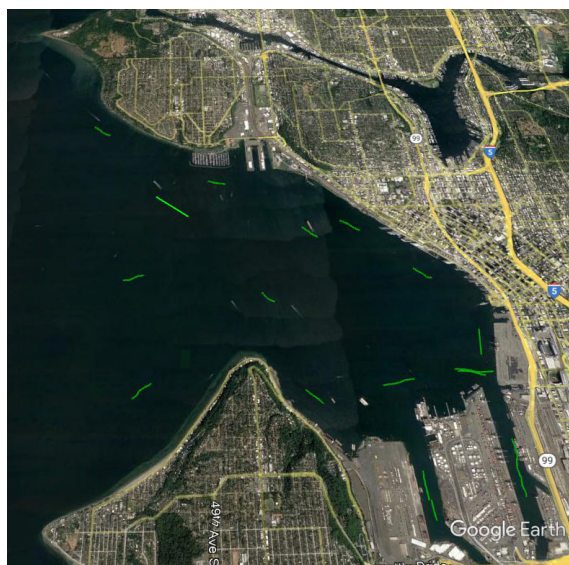
- orange tracks
- deep depths (100 – 200m)

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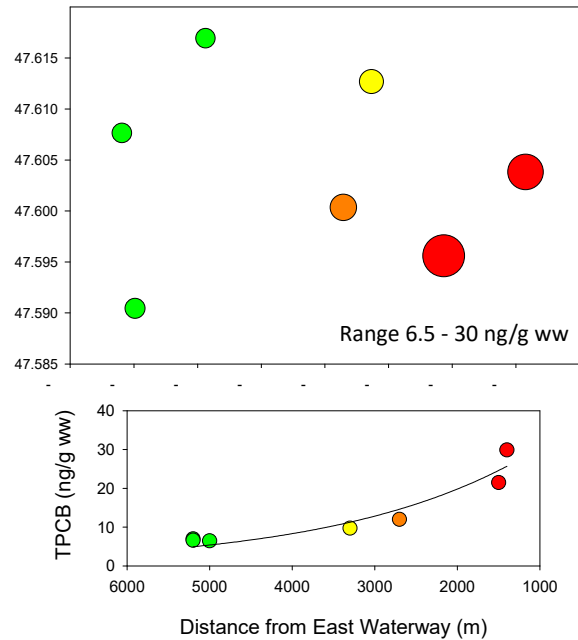
## PCB Gradient: Surface POM All Sites



## PCB Gradient: Surface POM omit Pt Madison



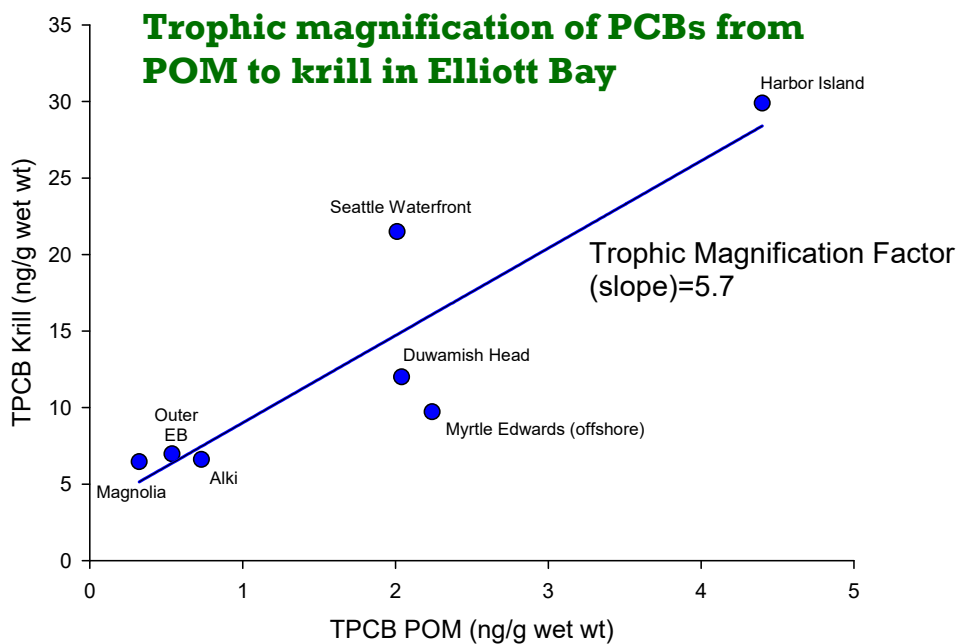
## PCB Gradient: Krill



## PCBs in Puget Sound's Pelagic Food Web: Hypotheses to be Tested

- PCBs will exhibit a gradient of decreasing concentration in biota moving away from a putative primary source (Lower Duwamish Waterway).
- **[PCB] in krill will correlate with POM** (testing conceptual connection between microbial food web in surface waters with primary consumers in the pelagic food web).
- Degree of chlorination of PCBs in biota will decline with distance from LDW putative source (*sensu* Ross et al. 2004).

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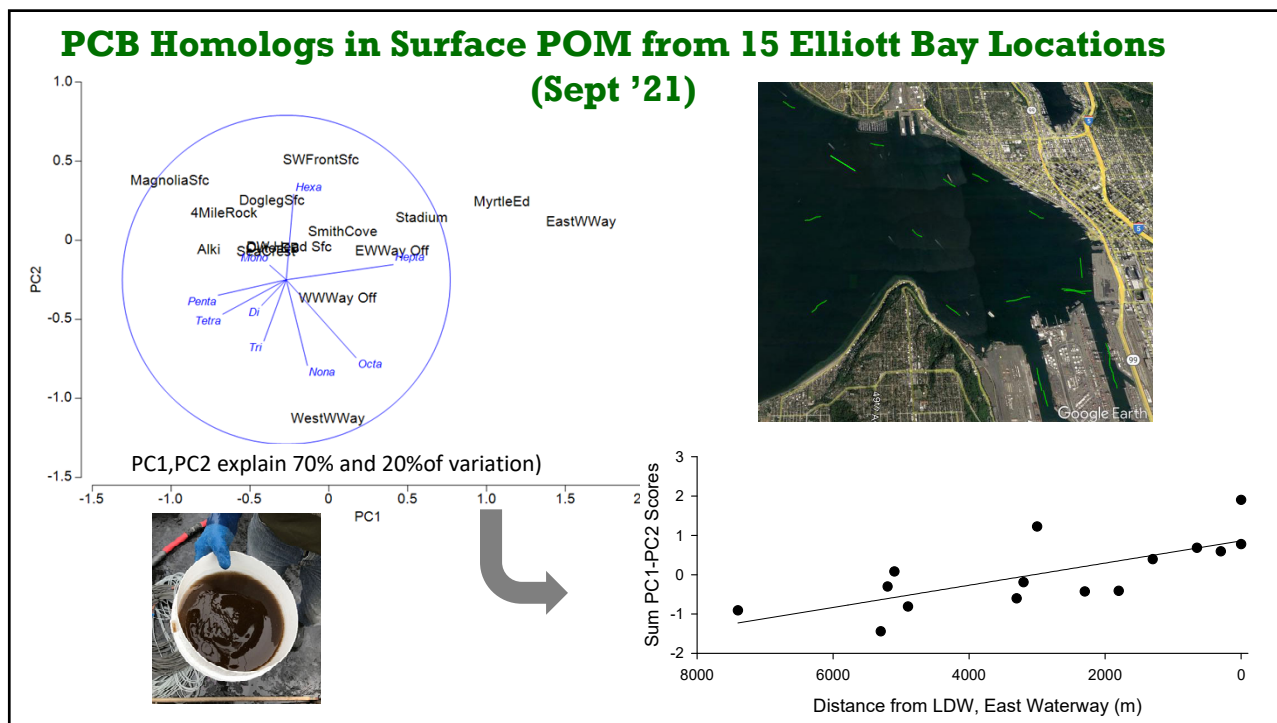
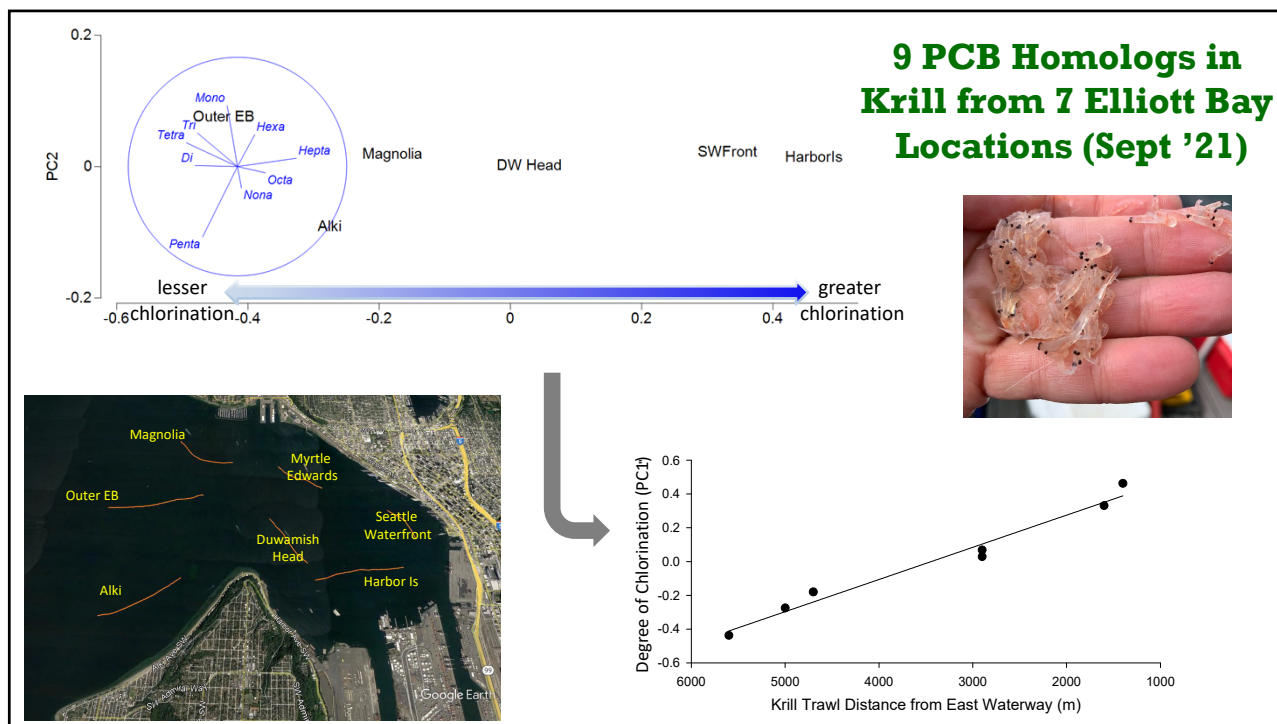


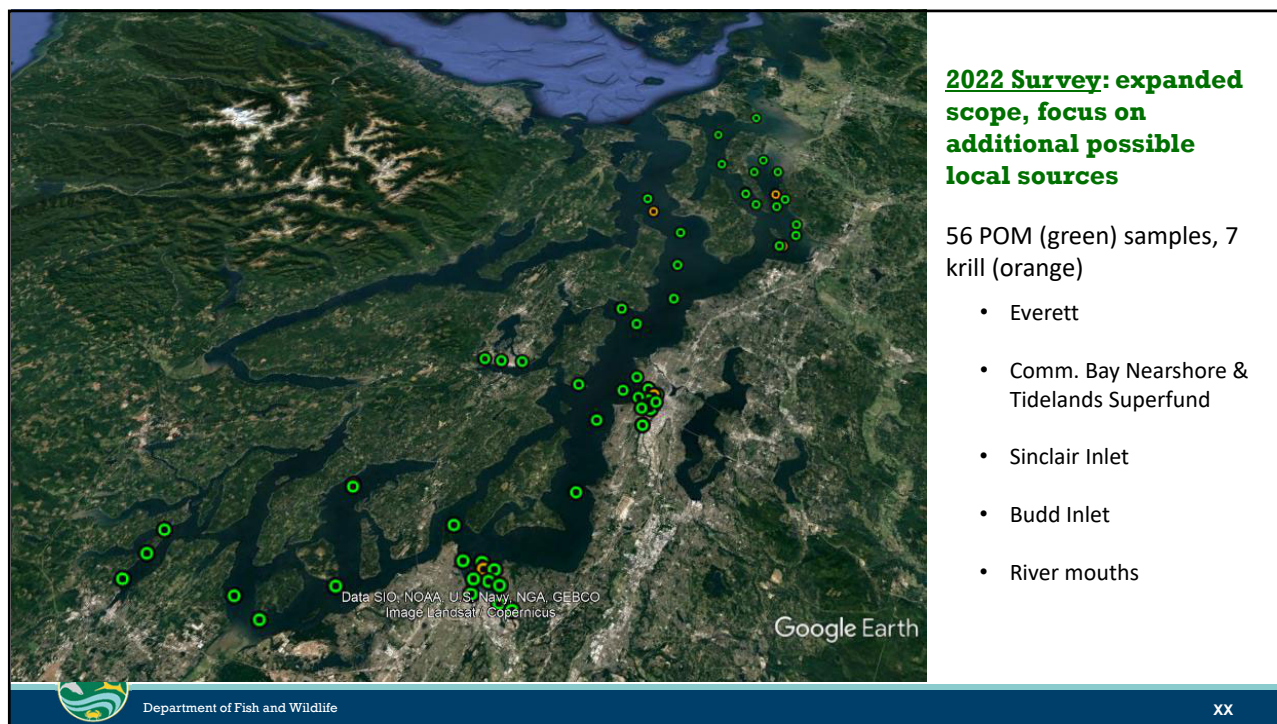
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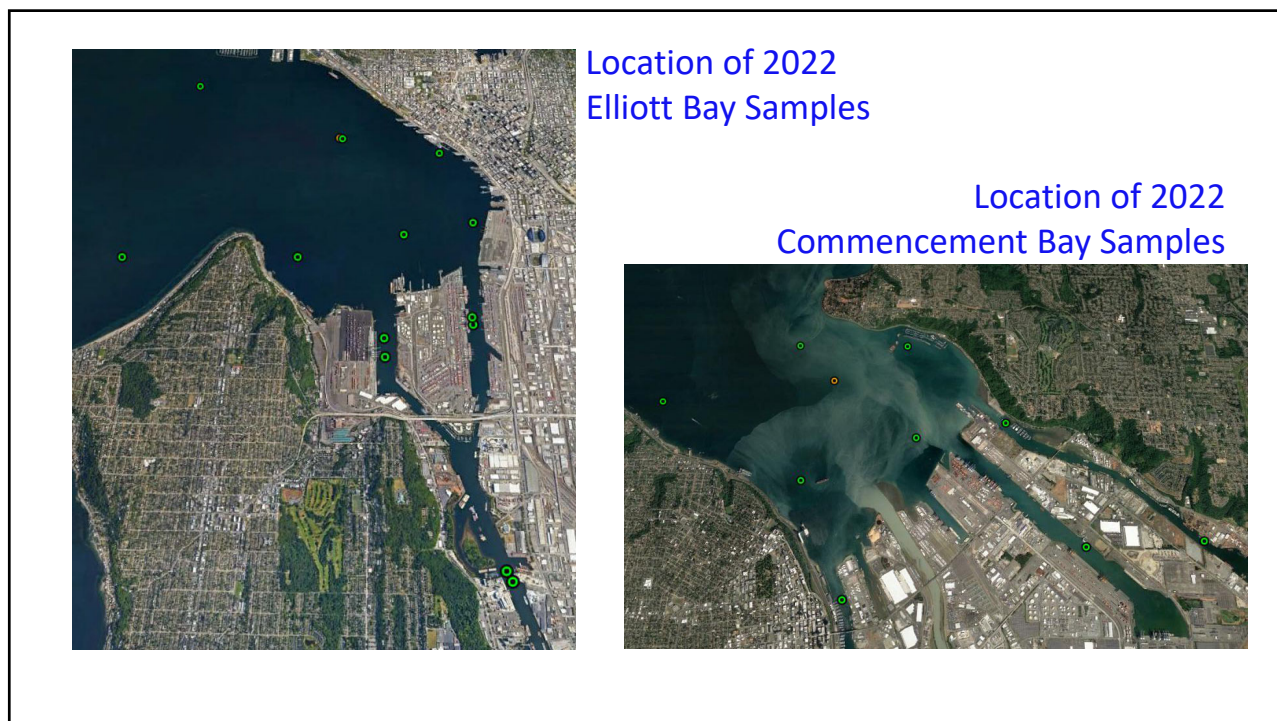
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## In Summary....

1. Explained our focus on PCBs the pelagic food web
2. Introduced the Salish Sea Model/TBiOS PCB project
3. Focused attention on LDW in 2021, Sound-wide in 2022
4. Offered a way of looking at the potential impact of local PCB sources at a larger scale – the true Biological Impact Zone
5. ***How do we use this information to help recover Puget Sound?***



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## Questions?



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### 3. Toxics Cleanup Program Update: Sediment policy, guidance, legislative session, and budget

Chance Asher, Ecology

#### Summary

Chance presented updates on legislation, budget, and policy work. The recently passed Underground Storage Tanks Financial Assurance Bill aims to strengthen the insurance program for leaking underground storage tanks (USTs) that contribute to sediment pollution. This legislation is vital because almost half of the cleanup sites are associated with leaking USTs. The hazardous substances tax, dedicated to funding cleanup and pollution prevention, underwent changes in 2019 to stabilize funding. Funds have been allocated for remedial action grants, with approximately \$115 million available for public entities, which requires a 50% matching requirement. Ecology also has \$30 million for cleanup efforts and a \$12 million grant program targeting affordable housing cleanup. Additionally, \$9 million has been allocated for PFAS-related studies and research.

The Sediment Cleanup User Manual (SCUM) did not undergo revisions in 2023 due to a lack of significant updates. A revised SCUM document would next be released in 2025 to address policy changes, incorporate new scientific and technical information, and rectify any errors. The recently republished Sustainable Remediation guidance document provides direction on identifying climate change impacts and implementing resiliency measures at cleanup sites.

Efforts are underway to establish freshwater sediment natural background, focusing on the Lower Columbia River area and Puget Sound. The MTCA rulemaking process, which involves the incorporation of climate change resilience and environmental justice considerations, is anticipated to be finalized around August of 2023. The online SHARP tool replaces the previous ranking system and now includes sediments, while the wood waste guidance is also being updated. Additionally, PFAS-related guidance is being developed for establishing cleanup levels for groundwater, surface water, soil, and now sediment.

#### Discussion

Q: Clay Patmont (Anchor) –Regarding the Sustainable Remediation guidance, which sites are you referring to that were compromised from climate change and prompted the changes? Anything more we can do to accelerate regional background calculation for Elliott Bay?

A: No particular site prompted the Ecology from developing the Sustainable Remediation guidance. Ecology is merely trying to get ahead of the problem and prepare for impacts to cleanup sites to ensure they remain protective. EPA has some good case studies – e.g., from Commencement Bay where there were impacts to sites due to climate change – Breakwater Peninsula, Asarco Tacoma facility, St Paul CDF, Olympic View Resource Area were impacted from sea level rise and storms – the sites are particularly vulnerable when a King tide occurs during a storm, barometric pressure is low, and sea level rise exacerbates the effects – wave energy is greater and can erode caps and shorelines leaving the armoring and little else.

We do not have a plan as to when we will establish regional background for Elliott Bay. Now is not the right time since we have Lower Duwamish Waterway and East Waterway cleanups happening and a lot of issues surrounding those cleanups that are taking our time and attention. Ecology doesn't have the staff. Funding isn't the problem, rather logistics.

Q: Mary Ann Rempel-Hester (EcoAnalysts) – For PFAS in sediments, have you found different toxicity thresholds between fresh water and marine water?



A: Chance – We haven't found that yet, although part of the project for SCUM is understanding that difference. We also need to see if we even have a PFAS problem in sediments. Ecology may need to do sampling to better understand the concentrations in sediments. Currently doing the literature review. That will need to be completed and existing data reviewed to determine if we have a PFAS problem in sediments.

Q: Mark Larsen (Anchor) – Putting in a plug for allowing small sediment sites into – or remain in – the Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). There are some simple ones begging for Ecology staff oversight that isn't there. Is there any way to provide a path forward in VCP for some of the routine sediment sites?

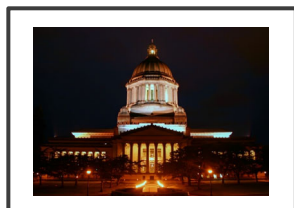
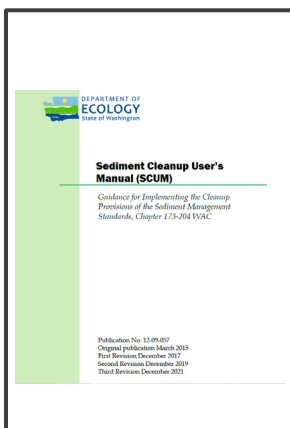
A: Chance – Is there really such thing as a "routine" sediment cleanup site? Ecology is aware of this issue and trying to figure out how to help with these sites. 1/2 of TCP staff are new hires this past year. She'll pass on the comment to Pete Adolphson who is leading the VCP and Sediment policy.

# Sediment Management Annual Review Meeting Department of Ecology Policy Updates

**Chance Asher**  
Sediment Policy Program Lead  
Toxics Cleanup Program



## FORTODAY



- ❑ Legislative updates
- ❑ Toxics Cleanup Program 2023-2025 Budget
- ❑ Toxics Cleanup Program Policy and guidance updates



## HB 1175 - 2023-24

Creating a state financial assurance program for petroleum underground

Sponsors: **Doglio, Dye, Leavitt**

By Request: Pollution Liability Insurance Agency

Companion Bill: SB 5233

### Bill Status-at-a-Glance

See **Bill History** for complete details on the bill

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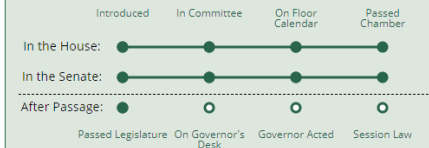
**Current Version:**

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ESHB 1175**

**Current Status:**

**HSpkr Signed**

### Where is it in the process?



## UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS

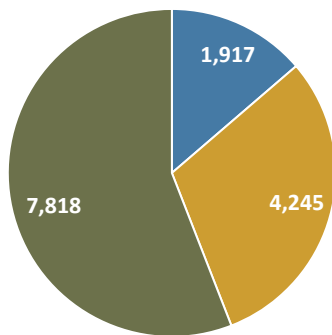
### Financial Assurance Program HB 1175

- ☐ New state fund to insure leaking USTs
- ☐ Voluntary participation
- ☐ \$3 million annual cap
- ☐ State authority to conduct remedial actions
- ☐ Funded by petroleum products taxes and UST fees

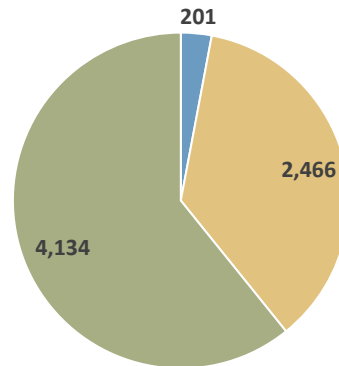
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## CONTAMINATED SITES IN WASHINGTON STATE

All Contaminated Sites in Washington



Leaking UST Sites in Washington



■ Awaiting Cleanup ■ Cleanup Started ■ Cleaned Up

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## HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES TAX REVENUE FORECAST

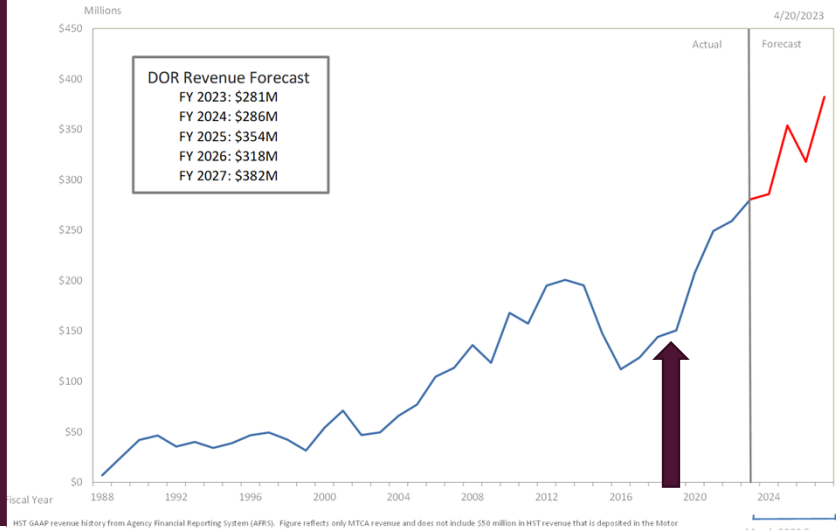
- Cleanup and prevent pollution
- 2019: Volumetric based
- Goal: Stabilize MTCA funding



### Hazardous Substance Tax Revenue for MTCA Accounts

Reflects March 2023 Forecast

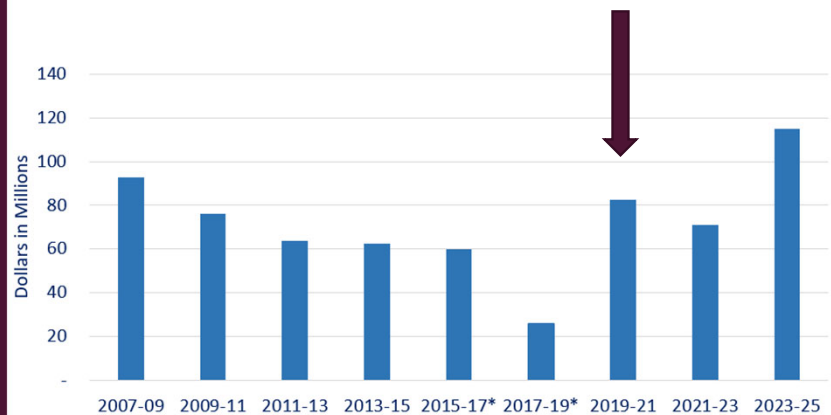
HST Revenue History 1988 - 2022, Department of Revenue HST Forecast 2023 - 2027



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## NEW APPROPRIATIONS

- \$115 million Remedial Action Grants
- \$30 million Ecology-TCP directed cleanup
- \$12 million Affordable Housing Cleanup Grant Program
- \$9 million PFAS



# SEDIMENT CLEANUP USER'S MANUAL



## Sediment Cleanup User's Manual (SCUM)

Guidance for Implementing the Cleanup Provisions of the Sediment Management Standards, Chapter 173-204 WAC

Publication No. 12-09-057  
Original publication March 2015  
First Revision December 2017  
Second Revision December 2019  
Third Revision December 2021

### Targeted revisions

- New policy
- Best available science and technical information
- Errors and omissions
- Feedback from staff and external folks

#### 2021

- Benthic criteria
- Risk assessment
- Data reporting
- Biologically active zone
- Porewater chemistry
- Sampling and analysis

#### 2025

- ADA compliant
- Update in Word 365
- QA/QC updates
- Analytical methods
- PFAS
- Clarifications

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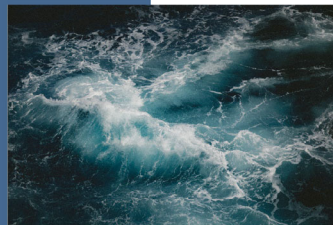
## WHY?

Protects  
Remedy

Protects  
Environment

Protects  
Investment

Saves  
Money



### Sustainable Remediation: Climate Change Resiliency and Green Remediation

A guide for Cleanup Project Managers to:  
Increase resiliency of cleanup remedies to climate change impacts  
and  
Increase benefits and reduce impacts from the MTCA Cleanup Process

**Toxics Cleanup Program**  
Washington State Department of Ecology  
Olympia, Washington

Revised: January 2023  
First published: November 2017  
Publication 17-09-052



## SUSTAINABLE REMEDIATION GUIDANCE

### What is it?

- ❑ Identify climate change impacts and risks
- ❑ Implement resiliency measures
- ❑ Increase environmental benefits
- ❑ Reduce environmental impacts
- ❑ Reduce greenhouse gas emissions

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## VOLUNTARY CLEANUP PROGRAM SEDIMENT POLICY

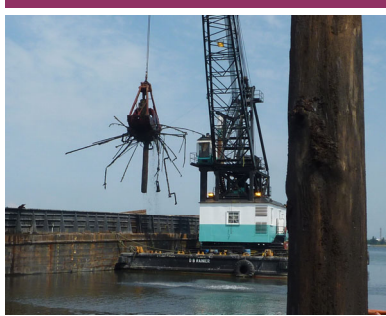
### Why?

- ☐ Multi-jurisdiction permitting
- ☐ Complex cleanup

### What?

- ☐ Decision process
- ☐ Sites in VCP now
- ☐ Future sites

When? 2023(ish)



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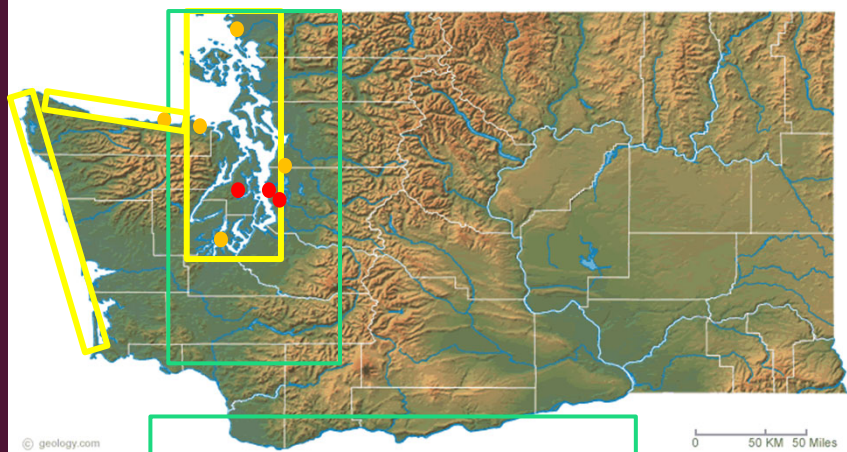
## SMS SEDIMENT BACKGROUND

### Established:

- Marine Natural Background
- Marine Regional Background

### Future:

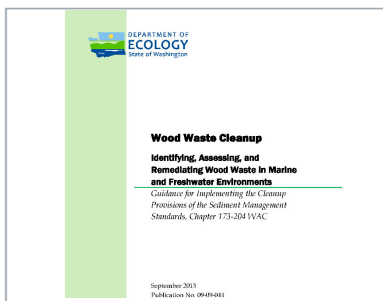
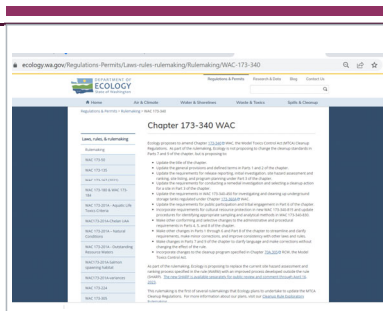
- Freshwater Natural Background
- Marine Regional Background



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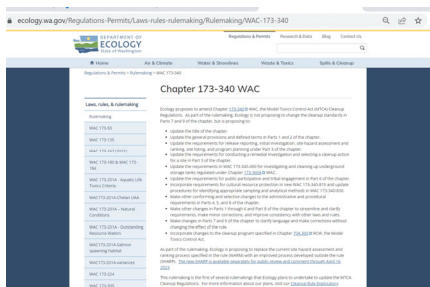


# MTCA RULEMAKING SHARP TOOL WOOD WASTE GUIDANCE PFAS



# MTCA RULEMAKING

- ❑ Public Comment: April 16, 2023
- ❑ Finalize rule: August 2023
- ❑ Remedy Selection:
  - Consistent with SMS rule and SCUM
  - Climate change and Environmental Justice minimum requirements
  - Long-term effectiveness
  - Reasonable restoration timeframe



## Preliminary Regulatory Analyses:

Including the:

- Preliminary Cost-Benefit Analysis
- Least-Burdensome Alternative Analysis
- Administrative Procedure Act Determinations
- Regulatory Fairness Act Compliance

Chapter 173-340 WAC

Model Toxics Control Act Cleanup Regulations

By

Kasia Patara

For the

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Washington State Department of Ecology

Olympia, Washington

February 2023, Publication 23-09-066



## CONTACTS AND REFERENCES

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### Sediment Management Standards Rule

<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/publications/SummaryPages/0909044.html>

### Sustainable Remediation Guidance

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### MTCA Rulemaking

<https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/Laws/rules-rulemaking/Rulemaking/VAC-173-340>

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## Questions?



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## 4. Seattle District Beneficial Use in Action

Amy Reese and John Hicks, USACE

### Summary

Amy Reese outlined the national program emphasis on beneficial use of dredged sediments, which is supported by language in Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2020. The Corps of Engineers Chief, Lieutenant General Spellman, released a memo in January 2023 emphasizing the value of beneficial use and setting a goal of beneficially reusing 70% of material by 2030 (up from 20-30% currently). New reporting and tracking requirements are in place, including a nationally supported ArcGIS database for monitoring dredged material management. Continuing efforts will benefit from collaboration with external partners to develop approaches and technologies for increasing beneficial use.

John Hicks discussed the concept of beneficial use and its application in the Seattle District, providing an overview of the District's operating area, the various channels, and draft sizes present throughout the region. Beneficial use projects in Everett, Grays Harbor, Quileute, and Keystone/Lake Crockett were showcased. These projects demonstrated the application of innovative equipment and techniques, such as barge-mounted excavators and hydraulic dredging, to achieve desired outcomes. These examples showed the positive impact of beneficial use in terms of habitat creation, sediment management, erosion control, and safeguarding critical infrastructure like jetties and sea dikes.

Overall, the significance and success of beneficial use initiatives in the Seattle District were highlighted, demonstrating the collaborative efforts between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, contractors, and other stakeholders.

### Discussion

Q: Chance Asher (Ecology) – The list of potential uses doesn't include cap/cover for cleanups. Is that USACE policy or set by the Biological Opinion? Ecology would like to use clean dredged material for state cleanups. Has there been any movement on this from your attorneys?

A: John – Potential uses discussed were from a USACE engineering manual. There are a few sites – e.g., Olympia – where navigation intersects with State run cleanups. If there is no Fed nexus, there is a concern about USACE incurring liability if they used clean navigation material at a state-run cleanup. This is a legal problem that could be reevaluated. The big question is whether the state would release the Feds of all liability. In the past, the State of WA won't indemnify the Feds, keeping them on the hook forever. Maybe Amy Reese or Brian Hart could help push things along. Is there a way to release Fed gov't from liability and not drag them into a cleanup?

Q: Hiram Arden – Who owns Site O (on the Snohomish River)? The location was used for many years as a log storage and processing yard. There was another site on right bank across from settling basin owned by DNR (who managed rehandling). That material was placed on Tulalip landfill. Some clean sandy material from this other site was used to help isolate contamination from a tire fire on I5 in Everett.

A: John – City of Everett owns Site O with use agreement with the USACE. There is restoration work happening at that other site.

# BENEFICIAL USE IN ACTION

## SMARM Presentation

May 3, 2023

John Hicks

Chief, Navigation  
Seattle District



US Army Corps  
of Engineers®



## OVERVIEW OF SEATTLE DISTRICT PORTFOLIO



### SEATTLE DISTRICT NAVIGATION PROGRAM

#### 24 Active Channels/Harbors

- 2 High-Use (>10M-tons)
- 3 Moderate Use (> 1M-tons)
- 19 Low-Use (< 1M-tons)
- 14 Deep Draft Channels (>14 ')
- 8 Shallow Draft
- 2 No Channel (breakwater/jetty/dike)
- Hydro Survey
- Debris Mission





## EM 1110-2-5026 BENEFICIAL USES OF DREDGED MATERIAL



Beneficial uses are defined as “productive and positive uses of dredged material, which cover broad use categories ranging from fish and wildlife habitat development, to human recreation, to industrial/commercial uses”

EXAMPLE Dredge Material Management Categories (Red are the types of sites we use in Navigation):

- (1) Agriculture (includes Horticulture, Forestry and Aquaculture)
- (2) Aquatic habitat
- (3) Beach Nourishment (Jetty Island, Keystone beach, Quillayute Sites A and B, GH South Beach/Half Moon Bay)
- (4) Confined (diked) placement
- (5) Confined Aquatic Disposal (CAD)
- (6) Construction/ Commercial
- (7) Islands
- (8) Multipurpose (Parcel O)
- (9) Open-water - material stays in system (littoral / near shore dispersive open water sites) (GH Pt. Chehalis and GH South Jetty sites)
- (10) Open-water – material removed from system
- (11) Parks/Rec
- (12) Strip-mine/Solid waste (includes Strip Mine Reclamation, Solid Waste Landfill, and Alternative Uses)
- (13) Upland habitat
- (14) Wetlands

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## ENVIRONMENTAL– 25 YEARS BIOP



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  
NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE  
West Coast Region  
1501 NE Lloyd Boulevard, Suite 1100  
Portland, OR 97232

Re: WCR-2016-087

January 26, 2018

Dear Mr. James, Chief  
Environmental and Cultural Resources Branch  
Corps of Engineers, Seattle District  
Post Office Box 3755  
Seattle, Washington 98124-3755

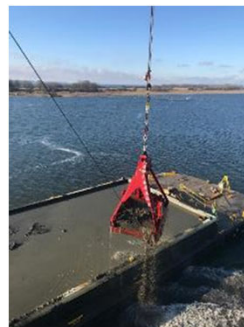
Re: Endangered Species Act Section 7 Permit Consultation and Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Executive Fish Habitat Consultation for U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (COE) proposed 25-year maintenance dredging program for eight Federally-Authorized Navigation Channels in western Washington State.

Dear Mr. James,

Thank you for your letter of December 16, 2016, requesting initiation of consultation with NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) (4 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (COE) maintenance dredging program for eight Federally-Authorized navigation channels around the Puget Sound and along the west coast of Washington State. Thank you also for your request for consultation pursuant to the essential fish habitat (EFH) provisions in Section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA) (16 U.S.C. 1855(b)) for this action.

The enclosed document contains the biological opinion (Opinion) prepared by NMFS pursuant to section 7(a)(2) of the ESA on the effects of the proposed action. In this Opinion, NMFS concludes that the proposed action is likely to adversely affect but not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of Puget Sound Chinook salmon, Puget Sound steelhead, Southern hake, and Southern green sturgeon. NMFS also concludes that the proposed action is likely to adversely affect designated critical habitat for Puget Sound Chinook salmon, Hood Canal summer-run chin salmon, Puget Sound steelhead, Puget Sound Georgia Banks boxers, and Southern green sturgeon but is not likely to result in the destruction or adverse modification of these designated critical habitats. In this Opinion, we also conclude that the proposed action is not likely to adversely affect any ESA-listed salmon from the Columbia and Willamette River evolutionarily significant units, and their designated critical habitats, Hood Canal Summer-run chin salmon, Puget Sound Georgia Banks (PSGB) boxers, PSGB yelloweye rockfish and its designated critical habitat, seven PSGB listed marine species, designated critical habitat for southern oceanic killer whales, four ESA-listed marine species, and designated critical habitat for leatherback turtles.

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## BENEFICIAL USE OF DREDGE MATERIALS BY NWS PROJECTS



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- Grays Harbor
- Quillayute
- Everett/Snohomish River
- Keystone/Lk Crockett
- Bellingham



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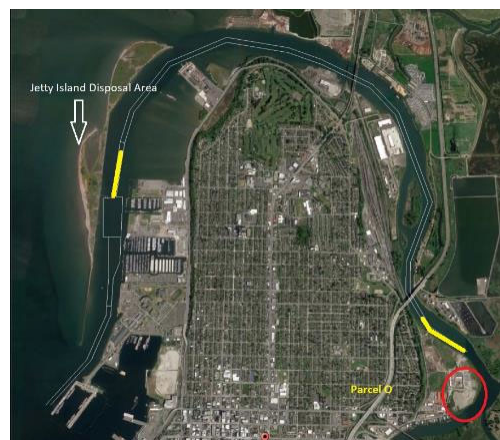


## EVERETT



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- Dredging Type: Hydraulic Pipeline
- Hydraulic Dredging every other year
- Placement Area:
  - Jetty Island – up to 40,000 CY/event
  - Parcel O – up to 150,000 CY/event
- Total Beneficially Use of 625,980 CY since 2014



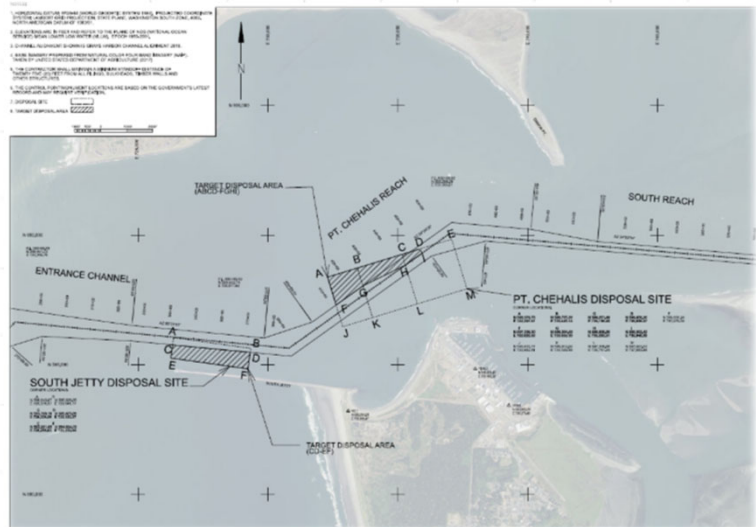
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## GRAYS HARBOR



- Dredging Type: Clamshell & Hopper
- Beneficially Use: 21.5M CY last 10 yrs.
- Placement Area:
  - South Jetty Beneficial Placement Site
  - Pt. Chehalis Open Water Disposal Site.
  - South Beach
  - Half Moon Bay



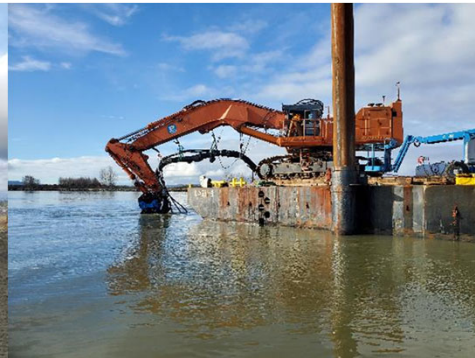
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## EVERETT



Jetty Island



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## EVERETT



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Parcel O

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## QUILLAYUTE



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- Dredging Type: Hydraulic Pipeline
- Hydraulic Dredging every other year
- Placement Area:
  - Site A (First Beach) & Site B (Rialto Beach)
- Total Beneficially Use of 212,066 CY since 2015



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## QUILLAYUTE



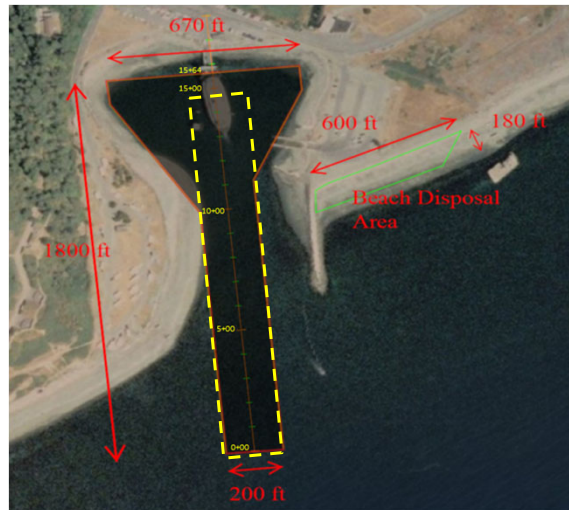
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## KEYSTONE



- Dredging Type: Clamshell
- Placement Area:
  - Shoreline Nourishment
- Beneficial Use of 45,086 CY in FY20



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## KEYSTONE



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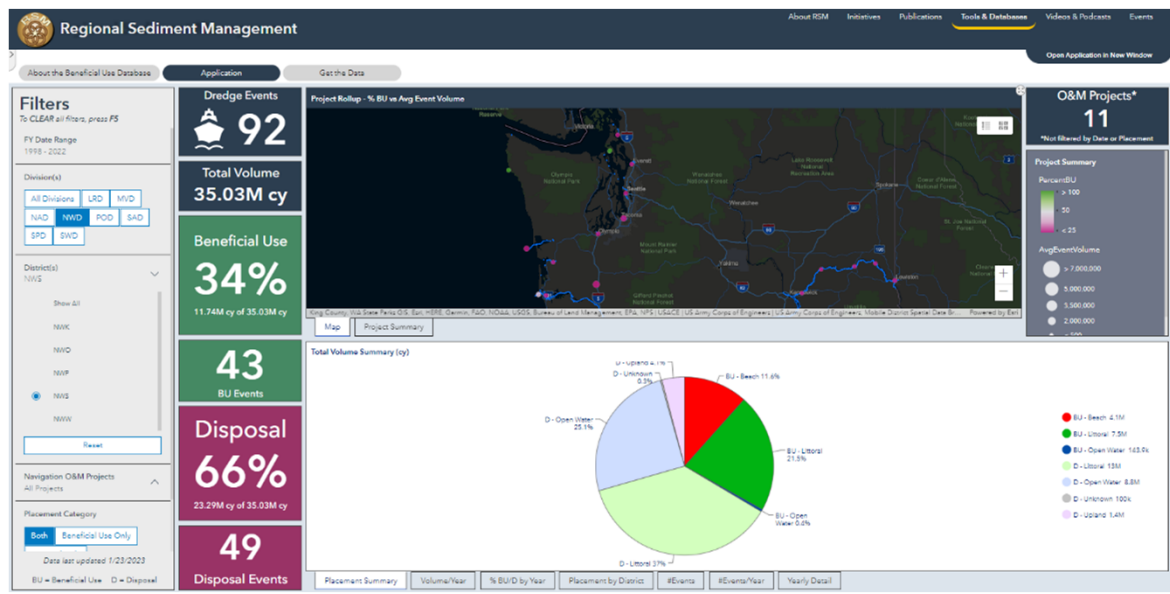


## RSM

## SITE UNDER DEVELOPMENT- DATABASE COORDINATION ISSUES



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## QUESTIONS?



### Contact:

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[john.a.hicks@usace.army.mil](mailto:john.a.hicks@usace.army.mil)

## 5. Snohomish Estuary Beneficial Use Opportunities

Laura Gurley and Erik Gerking (Port of Everett); Larry Lehman (Grette Associates)

### Summary

Laura Gurley, Director of Planning at the Port of Everett, presented information about the port's location and operations. The port, handles oversized products such as Boeing parts and serves as a direct connection to the Boeing plant via a rail line. While it is the third-largest container port after Seattle and Tacoma, it recently completed a new 34-acre upland cargo storage facility using dredged material for beneficial reuse. The presentation highlighted the concept of beneficial use, which includes habitat creation, restoration, and adaptation to climate change. The port has utilized material for site capping, remediation, backfilling roadbeds, and public benefit. By moving material directly to sites without second handling, the port aims to enhance habitat creation and restoration efforts for species like salmon, killer whales, and Dungeness crab.

Larry Lehman provided an overview of potential habitat restoration and mitigation actions in the Snohomish estuary, with a focus on reusing dredge material. The team identified suitable locations in the lower estuary, near Jetty Island, where dredge material could be utilized to construct salt marsh and eelgrass habitats. These areas lacked natural sediment delivery and appropriate elevation for habitat formation. Larry highlighted successful examples of beneficial reuse projects, such as the creation of eelgrass beds in Drayton Harbor and Fidalgo Bay using dredge material. Monitoring efforts demonstrated high crab utilization and a notable presence of juvenile salmon prey species in these sites. Puget Island was also mentioned as an example where dredge material was placed along the shoreline to support natural processes. Larry emphasized the importance of considering dredge material as a valuable resource and exploring different approaches to beneficial reuse.

Erik Gerking concluded the presentation by expressing gratitude to the Corps and EPA for their attention to the Everett Waterfront. A focus was placed on collaboration and utilizing resources in a positive manner in order to achieve the long-term goals for the region.

### Discussion

Q: John Hicks (USACE) – Is Port of Everett (POE) willing to do all the necessary permitting for USACE to place sand along their shoreline?

A: Laura Gurley (Port of Everett) – POE would like to discuss that question with its collaborators. They own some tidelands that could be used and are willing to lean in and lead but also creates vulnerability.

Justine Barton (EPA) – Needs to be a collaborative effort although clearly the environmental documentation needs to be conducted by someone.

Comment: Hiram Arden – Creative ideas were used in Fidalgo Bay. The Swinomish channel is 11 miles long. Part of the channel is the responsibility of Seattle USACE. Determined that whoever receives funding first can conduct the maintenance dredging. By including the Port as a prospective dredger of the fed channel, the material was able to be used beneficially. This was a win for collaboration.





## Beneficial Use of Dredge Material

**Laura Gurley, Erik Gerking and  
Larry Lehman, Grette Associates**

May 3, 2023



## About the Port of Everett



- ✓ The Port District and boundaries formed in 1918; serves nearly 100,000 people
- ✓ Not countywide
- ✓ Governed by three elected commissioners
- ✓ Special Purpose District 'economic development'
- ✓ Supports 40,000 jobs in the region
- ✓ Contributes \$433M in state & local taxes
- ✓ Operate three lines of business; Seaport, Marina, Real Estate
- ✓ Homeport to Naval Station Everett
- ✓ Largest public marina on the West Coast
- ✓ Everett's customs district ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> in the state at \$21 BILLION in exports (including airplanes)
- ✓ 3<sup>rd</sup> largest container port in the state

## **What is Beneficial Re-Use?**

**Clean, appropriately sized dredged material can be used for many things:**

- ✓ Habitat creation
- ✓ Habitat restoration
- ✓ Beach nourishment
- ✓ Climate change adaptation
- ✓ Remediation site capping
- ✓ Public utility projects
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## What are the Benefits?

- ✓ Create or enhance forage fish spawning habitat
- ✓ Create/enhance substrate for aquatic macrovegetation to grow
- ✓ Mimic the natural cycle of slides and littoral drift cells on the shoreline where it's been interrupted (e.g. by railroad tracks)
- ✓ All good for ESA listed species



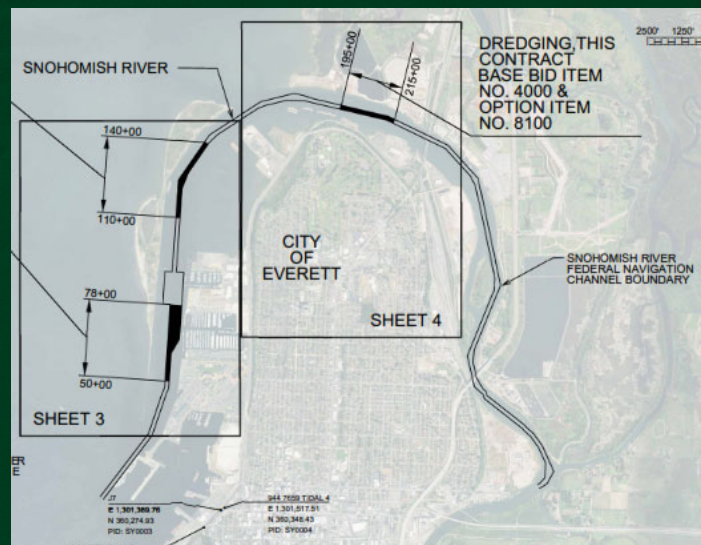
## Background

- ✓ Quality material is actively being dredged each year
- ✓ Port maintenance dredging on a 2 to 10 year cycle, dredges approximately 20,000 to 70,000+ CY per event
- ✓ US Army Corps Navigation annually dredges approximately 40,000 to 200,000 CY/year maintaining the Snohomish River Federal Navigation Channel and Settling Basins
- ✓ There's a need for this material for habitat, restoration, climate change adaptation projects and more

## Where Does the Port Dredge?

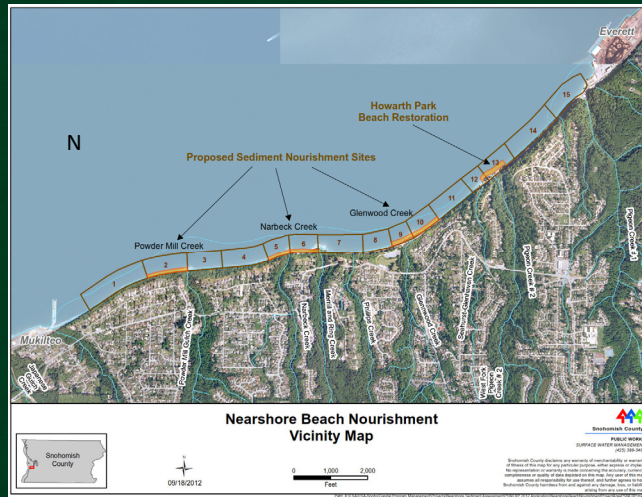


## Where Does the Corps Dredge?





# Snohomish County Nearshore Beach Nourishment Sites



## Howarth Park & Nearshore Enhancement

- ✓ Snohomish County and Snohomish County Marine Resources Committee
- ✓ 19,000 CY from upper channel
- ✓ Double handling costs
- ✓ More monitoring needed to gauge success



## **Howarth Park After Restoration**



**But Wait, There's More!**

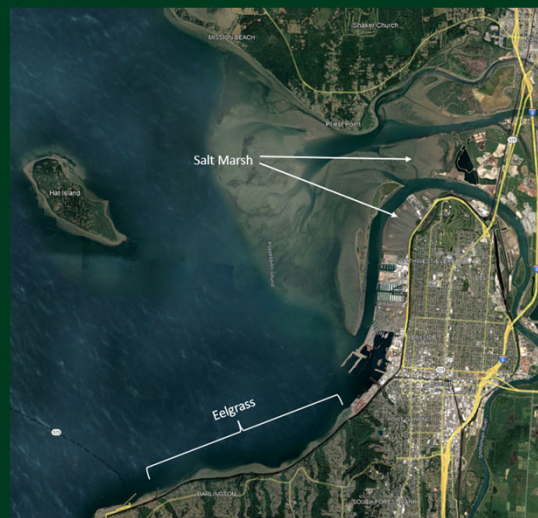


# Snohomish Estuary Existing Restoration Projects



## Port of Everett

- ✓ Grette Associates is looking at restoration/mitigation options in Snohomish Estuary
- ✓ Salt marsh and eelgrass focus



## Drayton Harbor Port of Bellingham

- ✓ Beneficial reuse for new 15 acre eelgrass bed
- ✓ Eelgrass light limited due to depth
- ✓ Raised elevation with approx. 200,000 CY of dredged native materials
- ✓ Planted small clusters of eelgrass
- ✓ Native seed production primary colonization method



## Fidalgo Bay Site Port of Anacortes

- ✓ Based on success at Drayton Harbor
- ✓ Raised areas in Fidalgo Bay with dredged material
- ✓ Swinomish Federal Channel Source
- ✓ Port obtained permits and dredged Federal Channel





## **Puget Island Wahkiakum County**

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- ✓ The county permitted beach nourishment/soft bank protection
- ✓ Offered to Portland District as disposal site for Federal Channel material
- ✓ Four sites used over last 15 years
- ✓ Over 1 million CY placed to date



## **We Can Do It!**

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**Thank You!**  
**Questions?**



## 6. Novel 3D Printed Structures: Isolate Contaminant Effects in Complex Mixtures for Toxicity Reduction Evaluations

Alan Kennedy (USACE – ERDC)

### Summary

Alan discussed the development of 3D printed resins for use in laboratory studies and environmental remediation. The focus was on their use for bioassays, particularly elutriate bioassays, in removing the confounding effects of ammonia to sensitive test organisms. Existing methods of managing ammonia's effects have included pH manipulation and the use of zeolite powder, which have been shown to negatively affect organism survival through the manipulations alone. An ammonia removal process was presented that involved 3D printing high surface area structures made from a zeolite polymer. The printed structures are then placed inside of test chambers and allowed to interact with the test solution for a period of time prior to test initiation (when the animals are added). Benchtop studies demonstrated the effectiveness of the 3D printed items in removing ammonia toxicity, while not removing other contaminants of concern. Additionally, the findings showed a high correlation between porosity of the printed structure and the removal of ammonia.

Alan also shared that ERDC has been using similar technology in regard to beneficial use by 3D printing dredge material into things like fish or bird habitats. This is part of The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Engineering with Nature® (EWN) Initiative. Learn more at their website and listen to their podcast: <https://ewn.erdcdren.mil/>

### Discussion

No questions.



# NOVEL 3D PRINTED STRUCTURES: ISOLATION OF CONTAMINANT EFFECTS IN COMPLEX MIXTURES FOR TOXICITY REDUCTION EVALUATIONS

Alan Kennedy<sup>1,2</sup>

Lauren May, Travis Thornell, Chris Griggs

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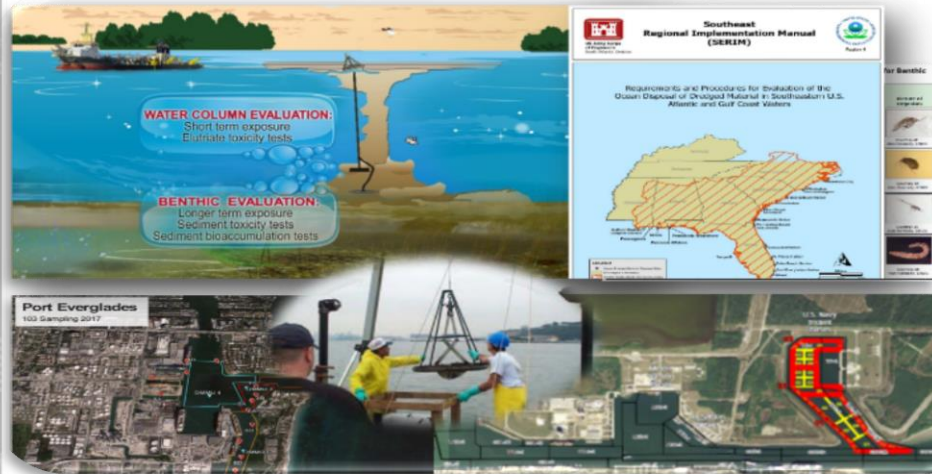
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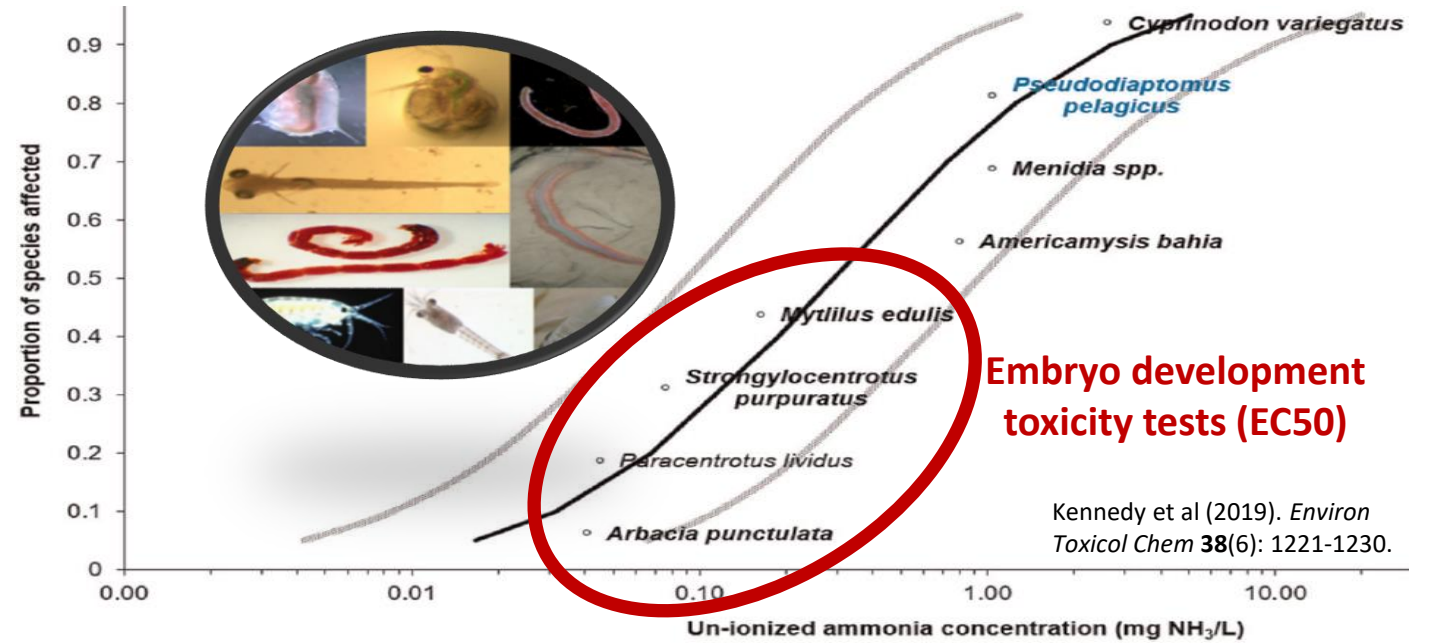
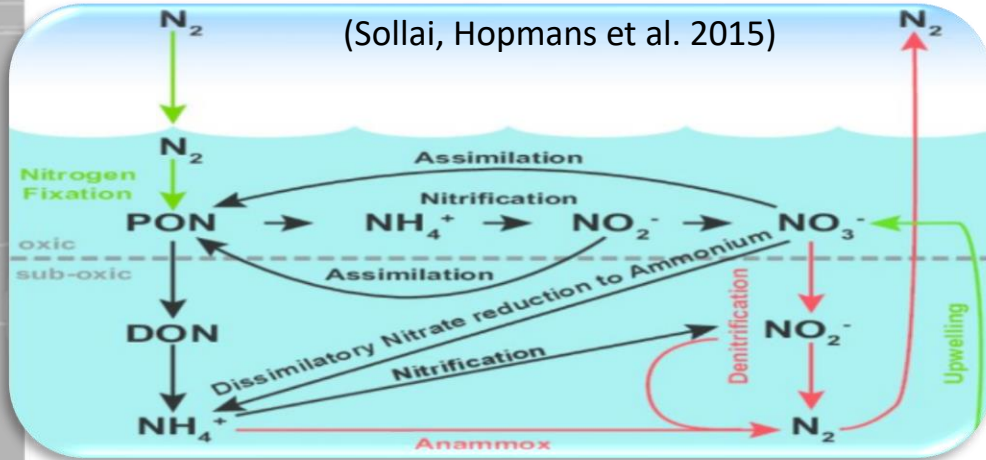


# Problem: Ammonia in Bioassays

## Confounding other CoCs



(Sollai, Hopmans et al. 2015)



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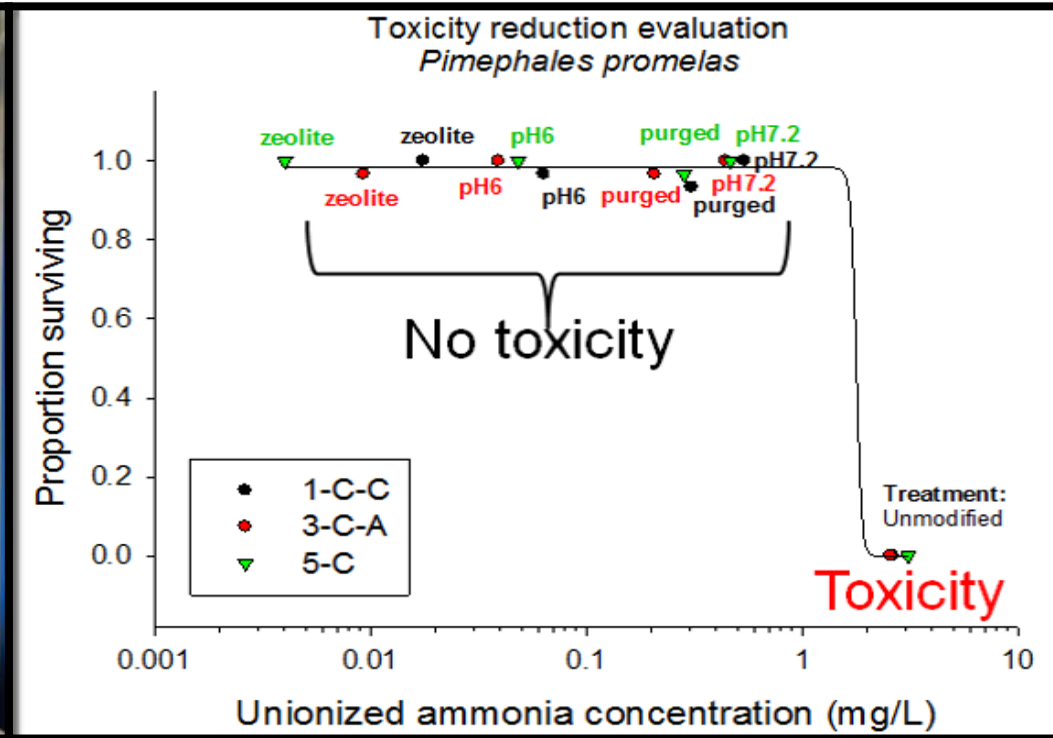
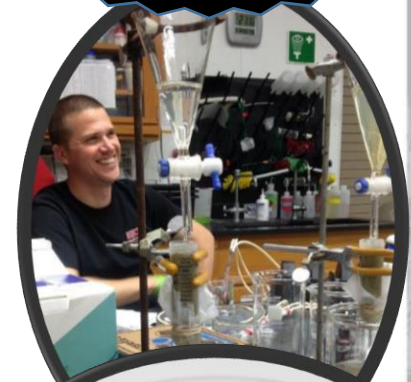


# Toxicity Reduction Evaluations

## *Sediment Elutriates*

### Lines of evidence

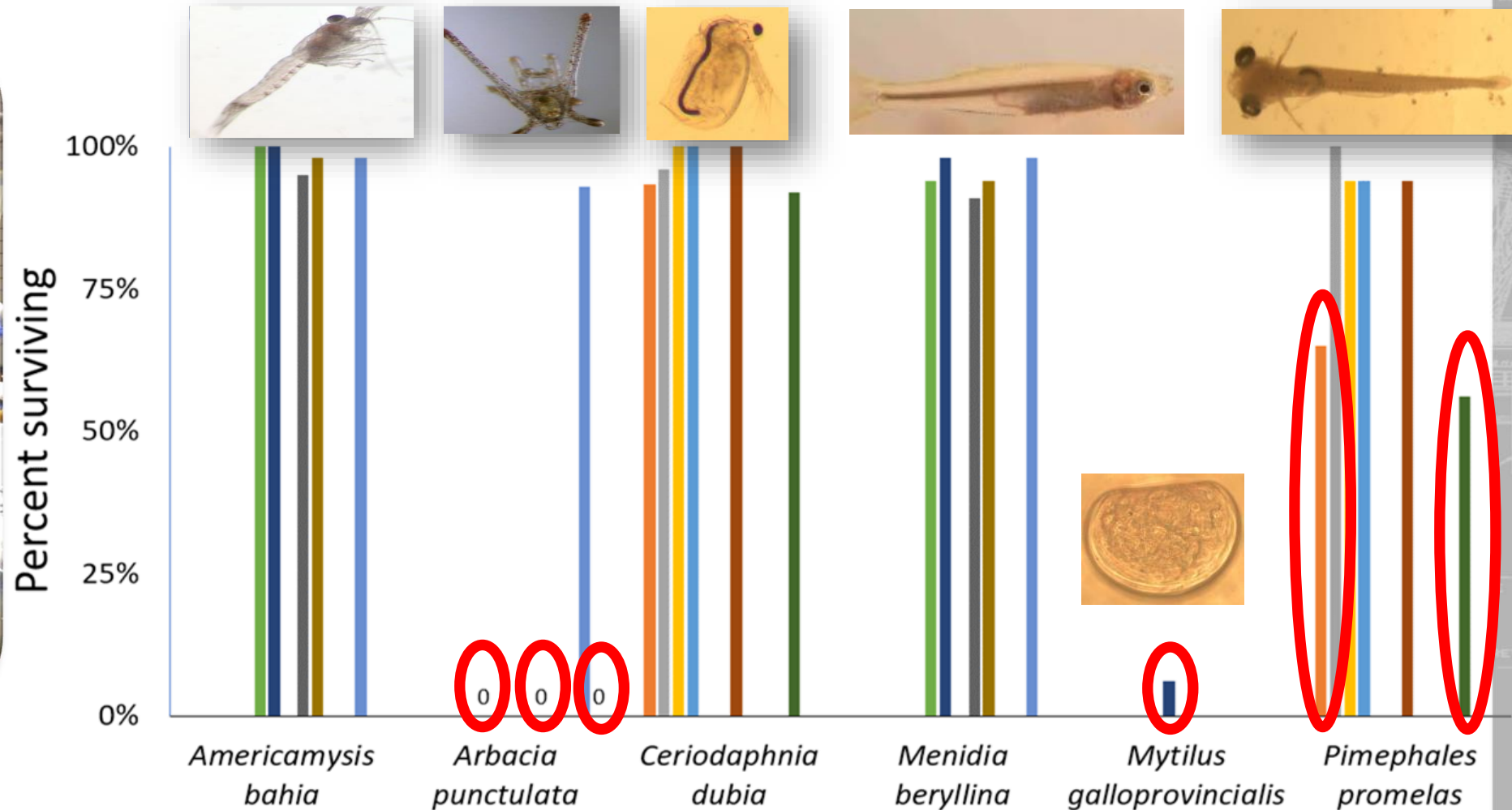
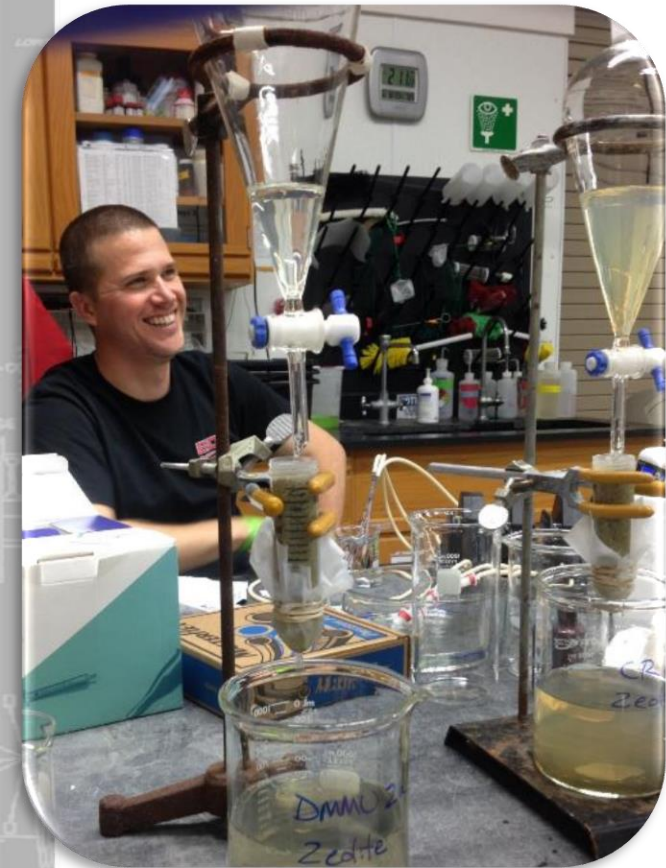
1.  $[\text{NH}_3]$
2. Zeolite
3. pH reduction
4. [other CoCs]



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# Zeolite Particle Impacts on Organisms?

*Zeolite Control Data only*

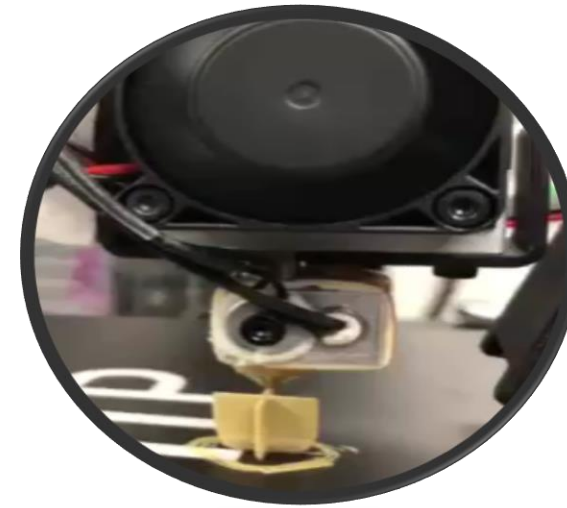
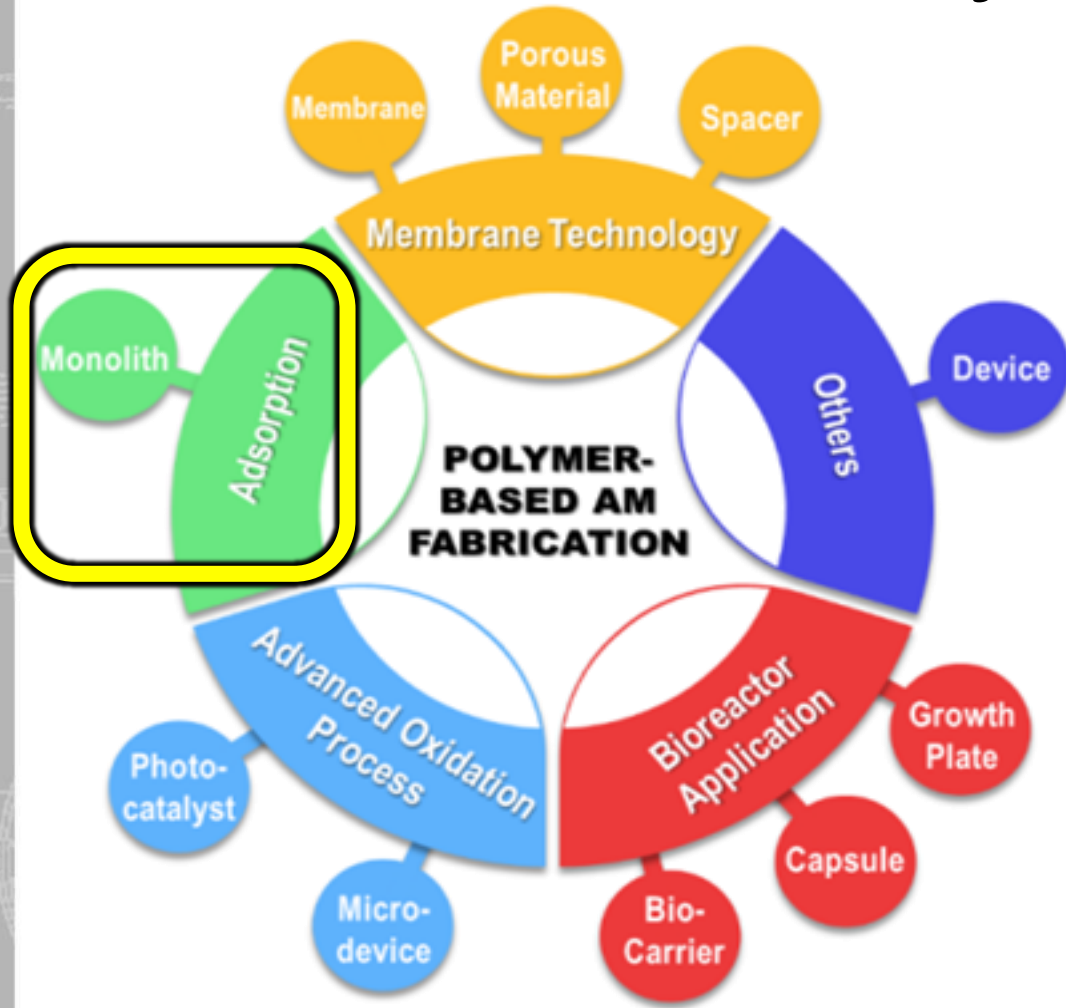


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# Overview

## Additive Manufacturing & the Environment



Adsorption of  
contaminants



Adsorption of  
contaminants



Degradation of PAHs,  
Microcystin, PFAS

# Motivation

## *Why AM for Environmental Applications?*

Consideration	Traditional	AM
<b>Complex geometry</b> <i>Overlapping structure</i>	0	++
<b>Design Freedom</b> <i>Customization, prototypes, iteration</i>	--	++
<b>On-site, On-demand</b> <i>Printing on vessels at sea</i>	--	++
<b>Multi-functionality</b> <i>Adsorption &amp; destruction</i>	-	+
<b>Porosity</b> <i>H<sub>2</sub>O &amp; chemical absorption</i>	--	++
<b>Scale up</b>	++	--

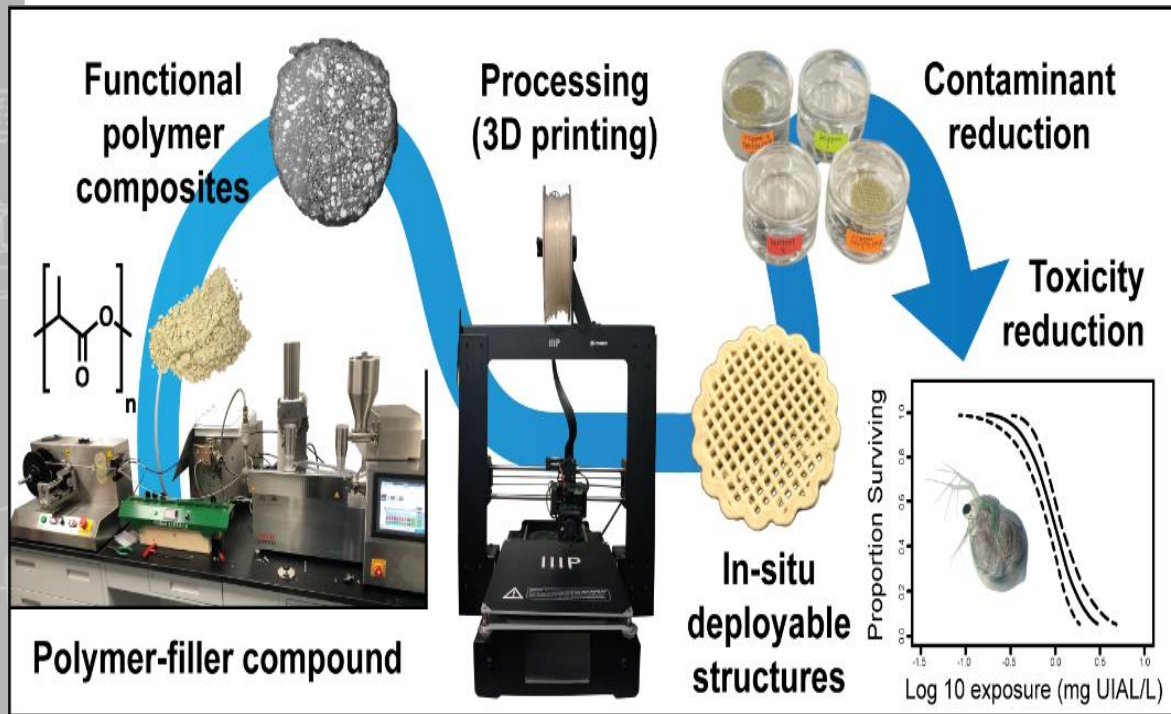
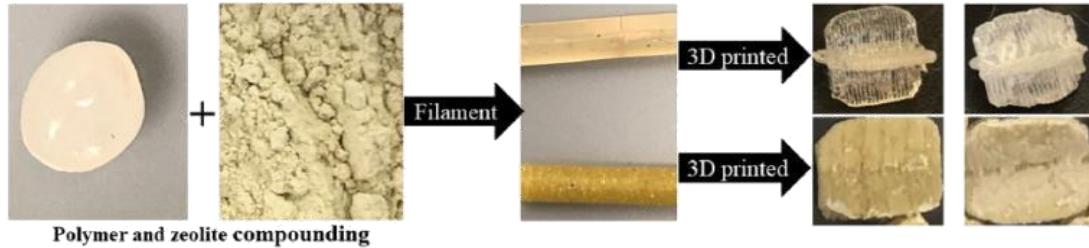


1. New research space
2. AM enables
  - a) Immobilization
  - b) Greater surface area
  - c) Iterative design, complexity
  - d) Tunable porosity
3. Environ AM missing
  - a) Characterization
  - b) Structure, property relation
  - c) Process controls



# Motivation

## *Why AM for environmental applications?*



Scalability

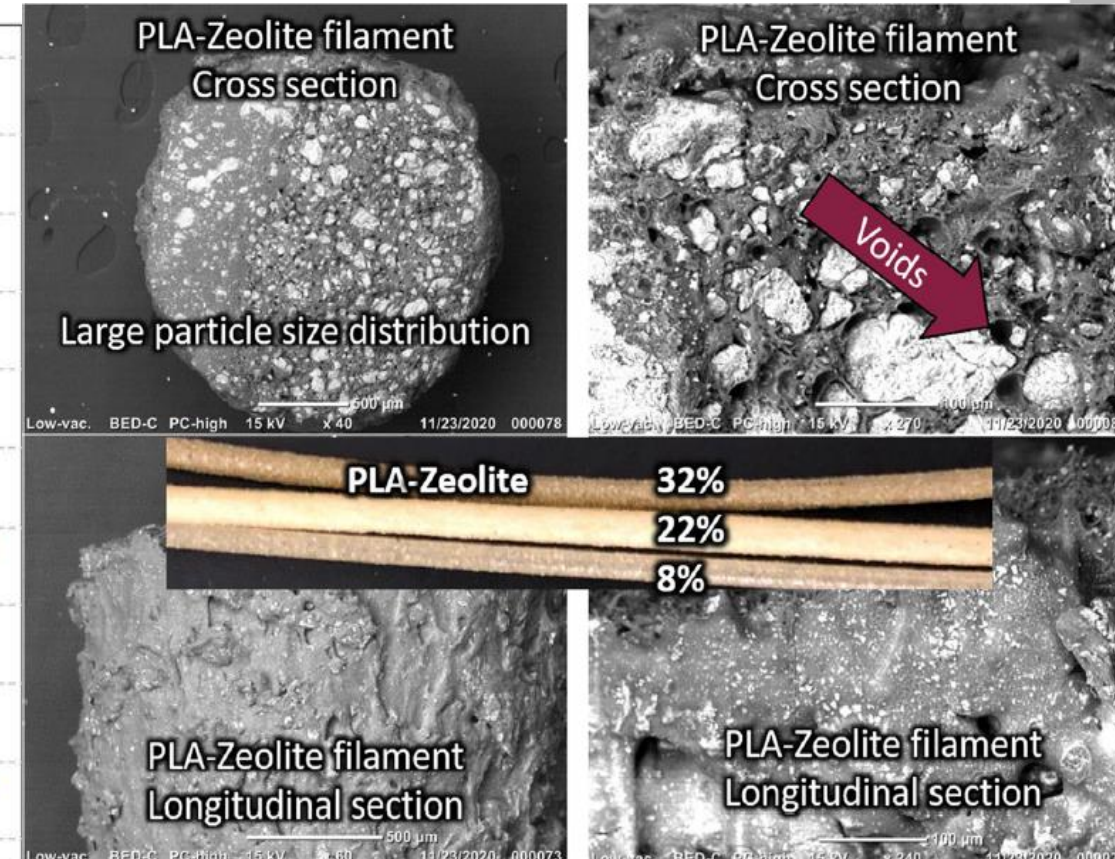
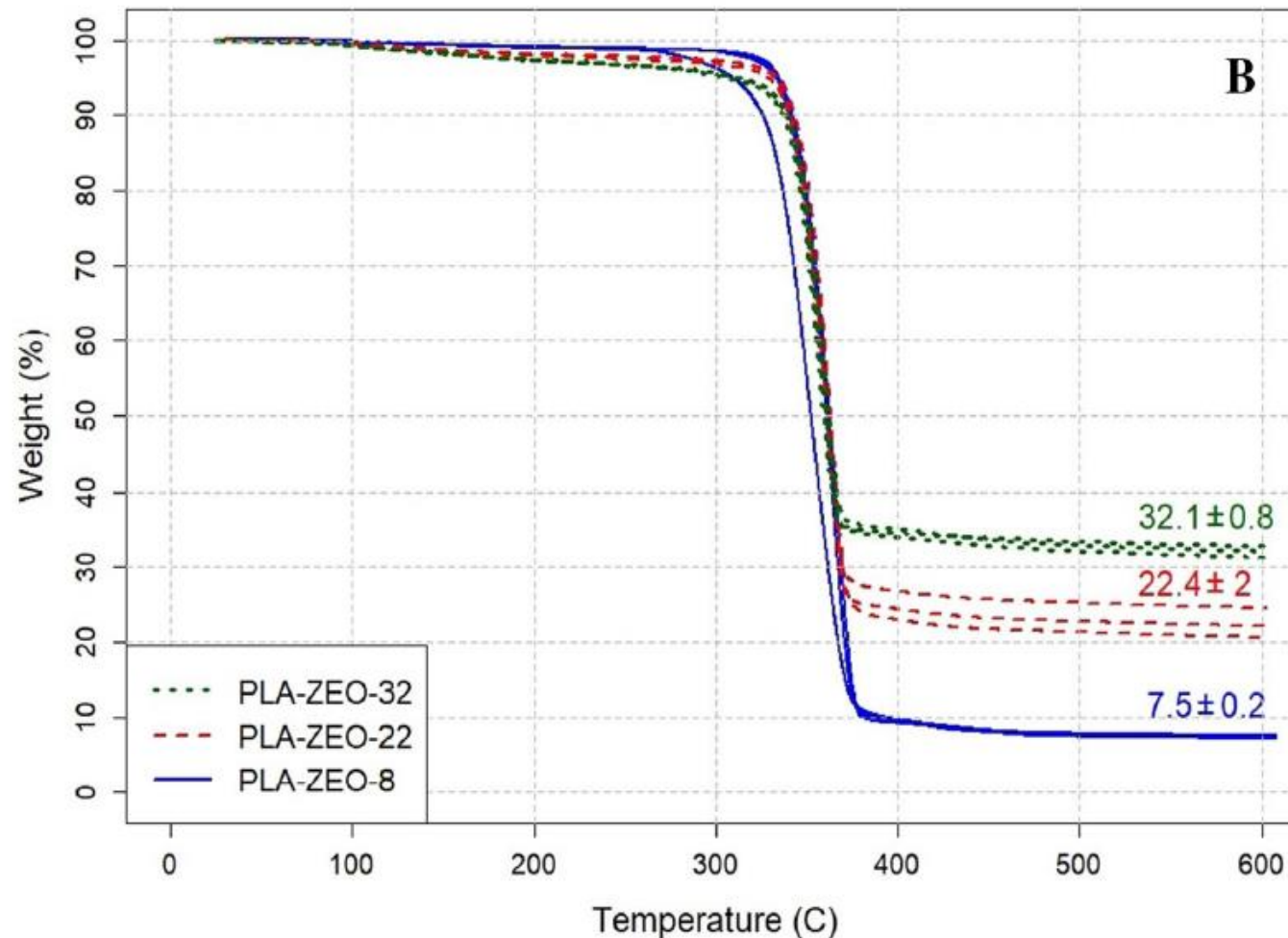


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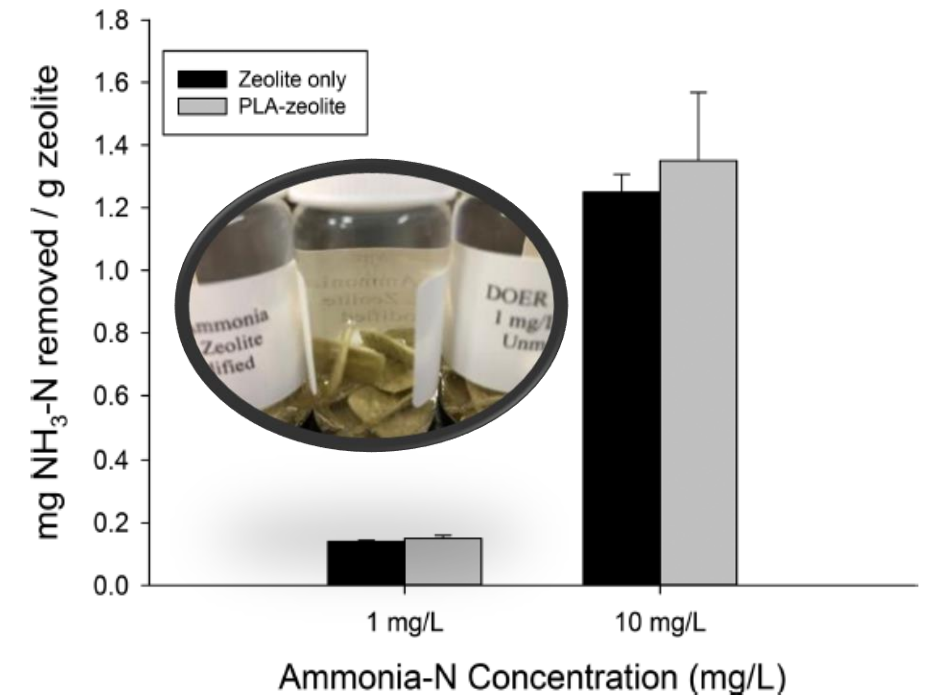
# Immobilized Zeolite in PLA



$$\phi_m = \frac{\text{Bulk density of particles}}{\text{True density of particles}}$$

# Adsorption Studies

- Treatments: (1) water-only; (2) Free zeolite; (3) neat PLA; (4) PLA-Zeolite
- Chemical spiking
  - $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl} \rightarrow \text{MHRW}$  (USEPA 2002)
  - Elutriates (USEPA/USACE 1998)
- Chemical exposures
  - Shaker table; 100 oscillation/min
  - 24 hr / 0, 2, 6, 24, 48 h
- Chemical analysis
  - Total-ammonia-N (TAN): ISE Probe
  - Metals: ICP-MS
  - PAHs: GC-MS
- *Ceriodaphnia dubia* (EPA 2002)



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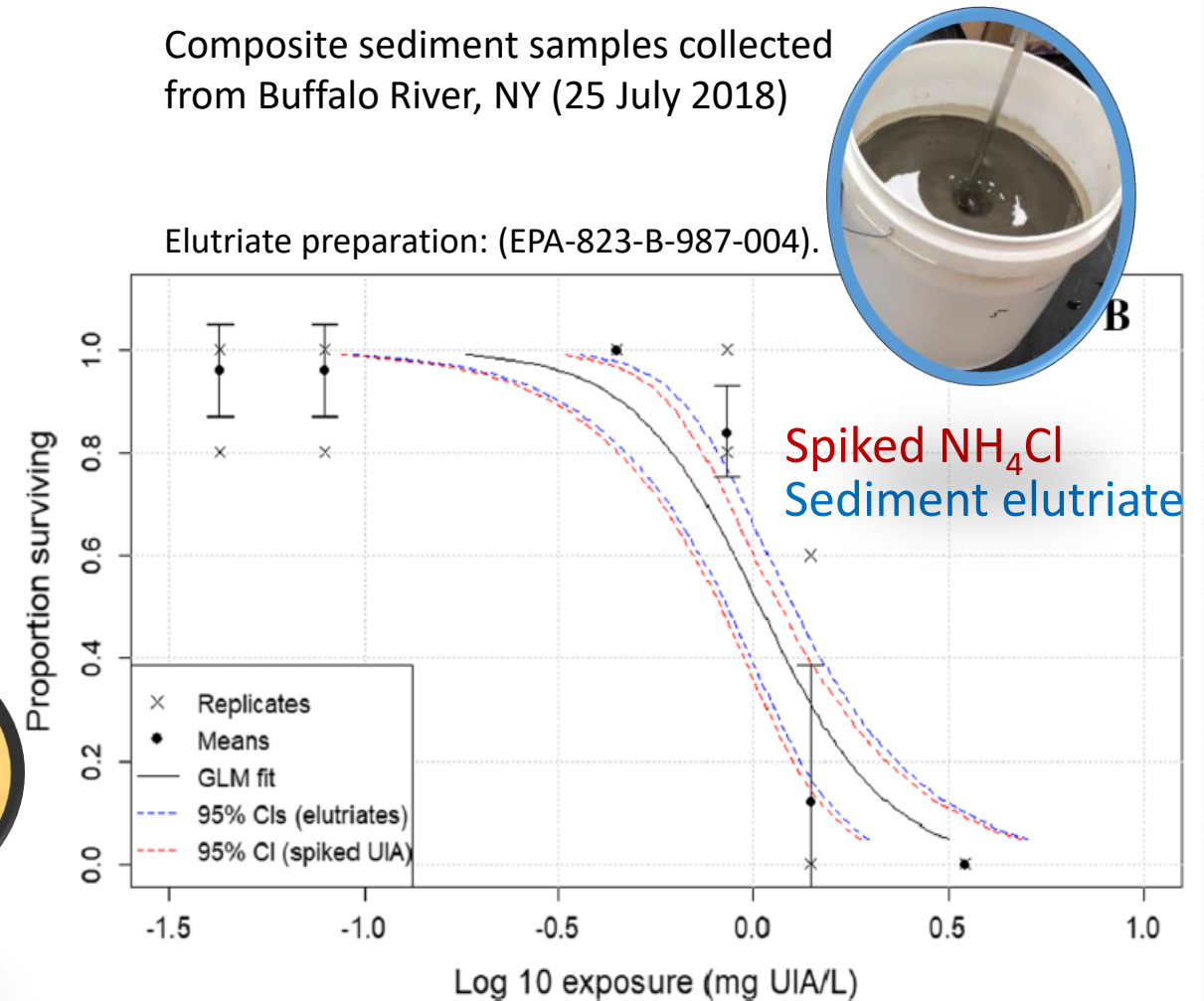
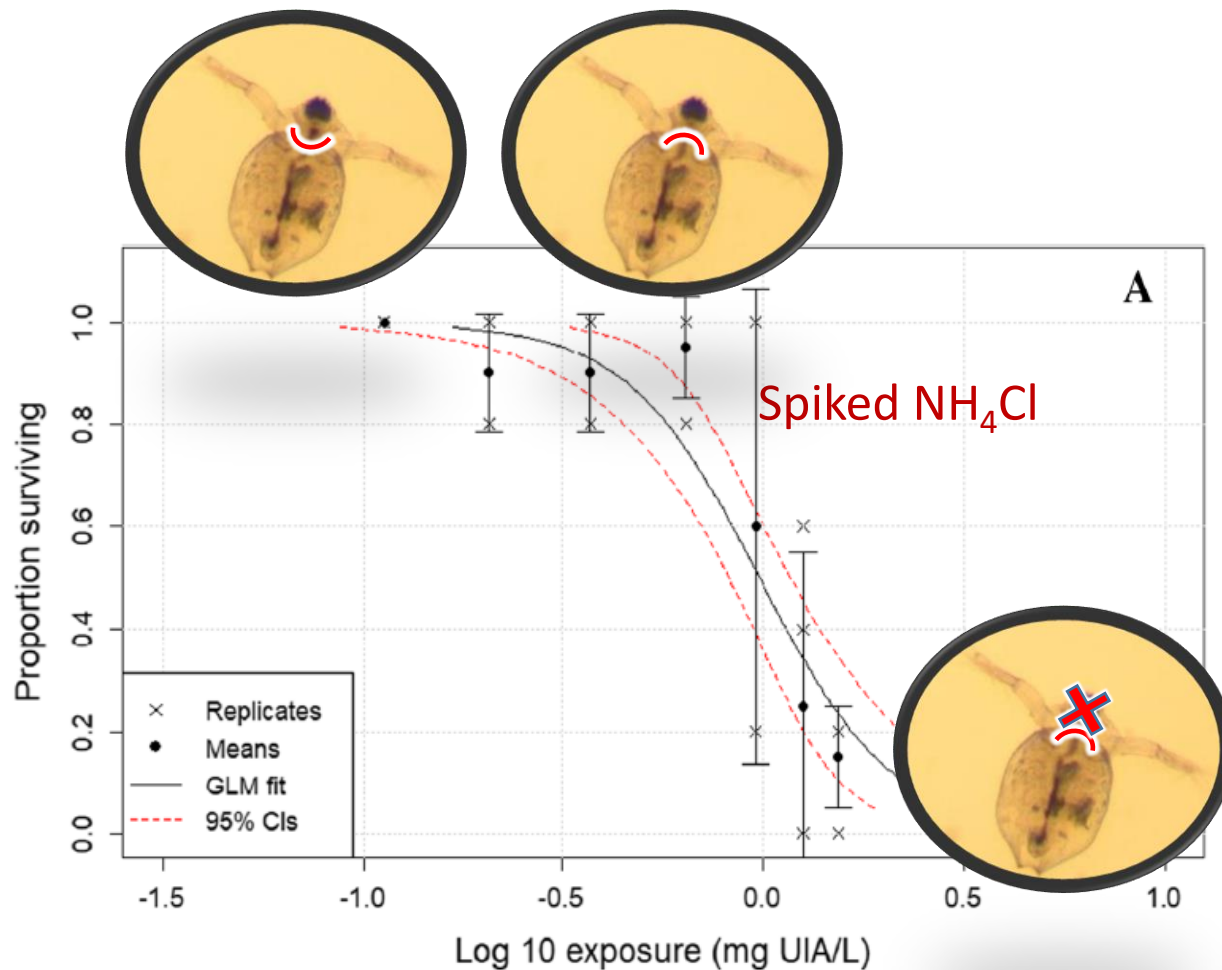


# Elutriate Toxicity

## *Driven by ammonia*

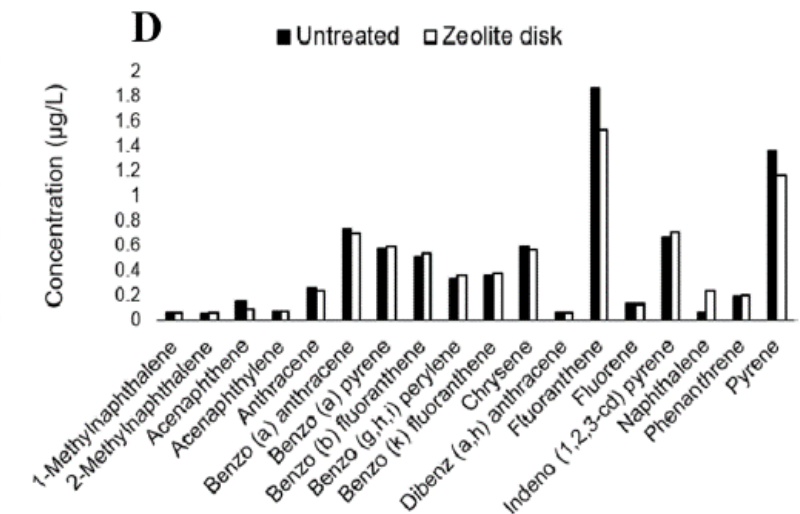
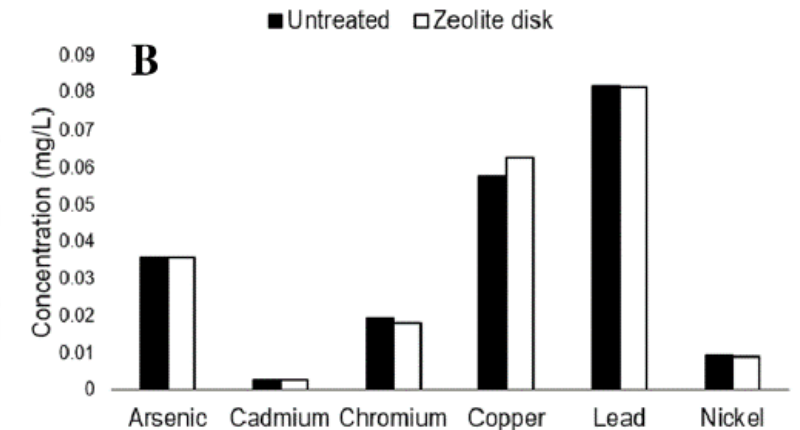
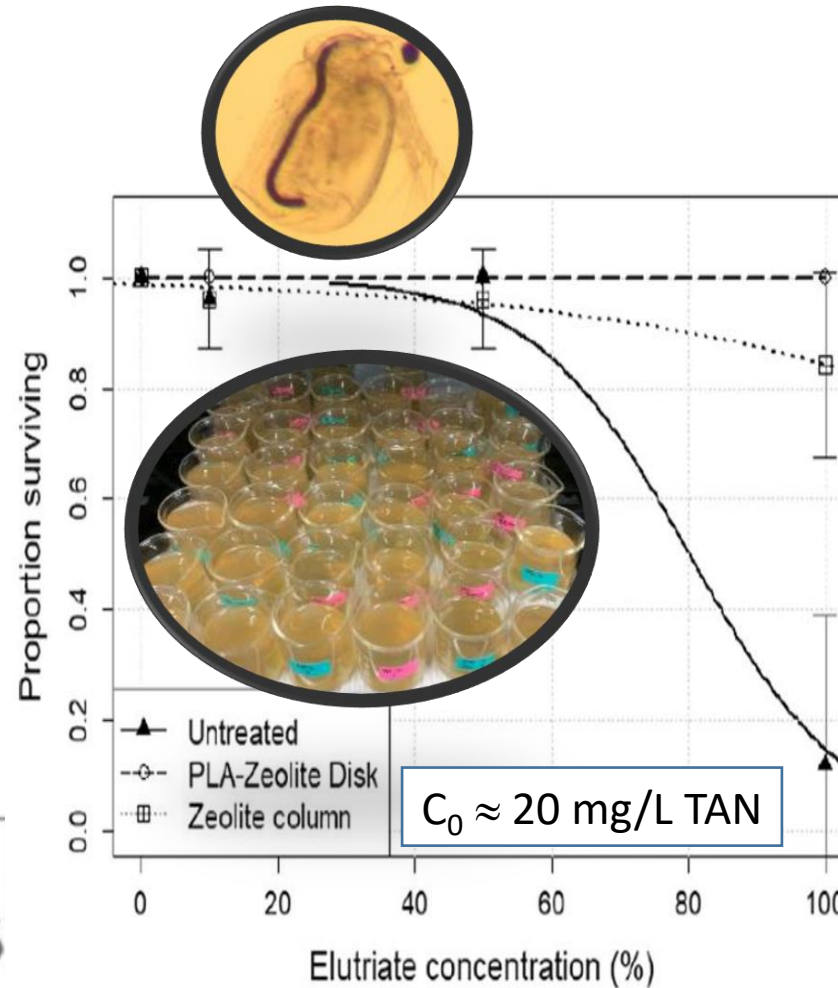
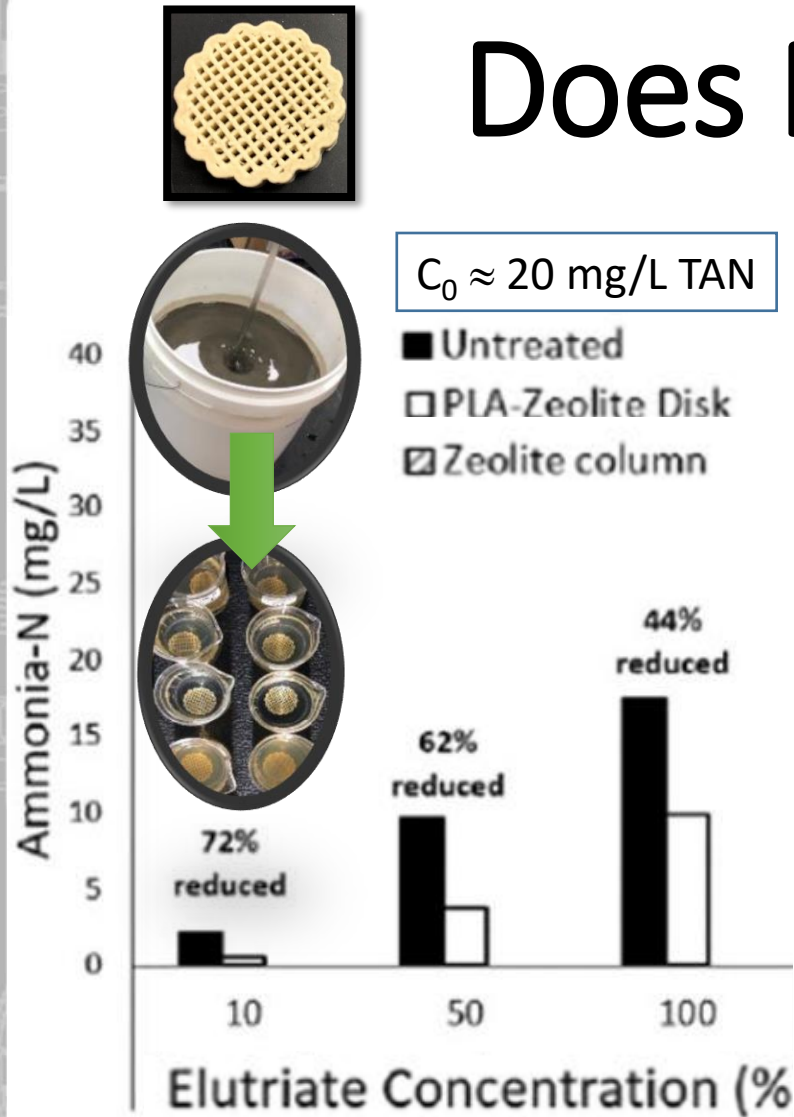
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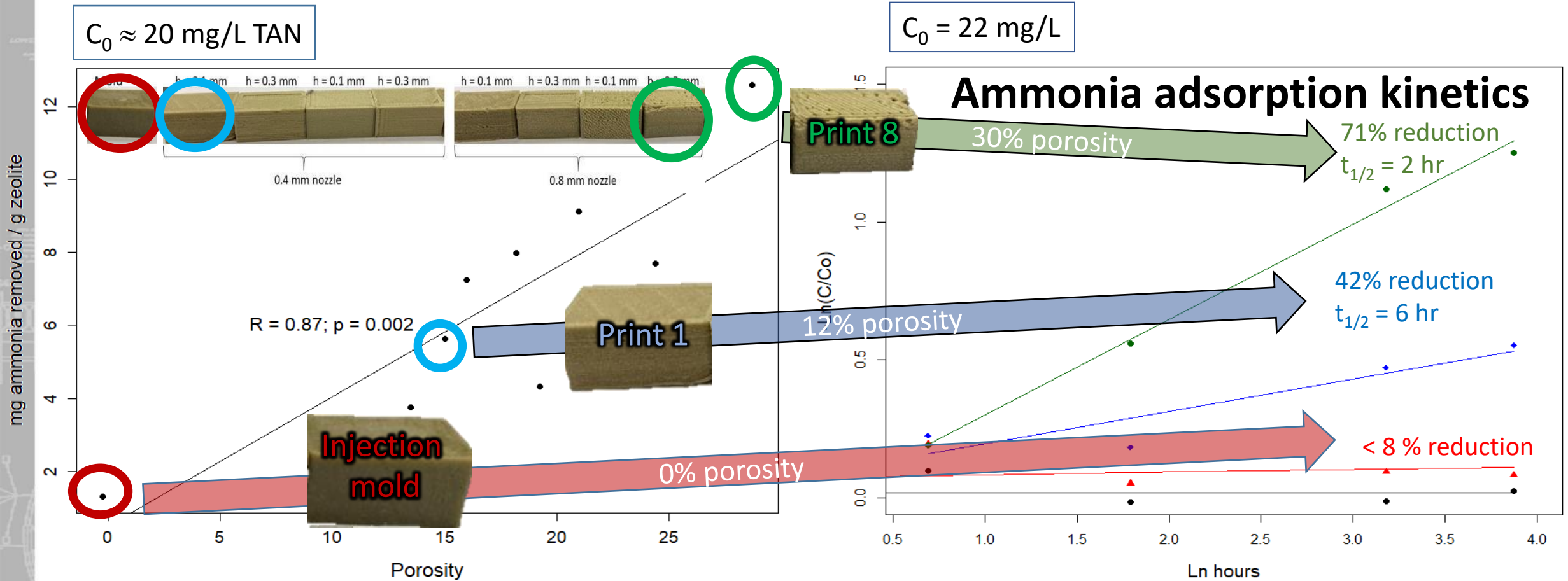
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# Does Printed Zeolite Work?



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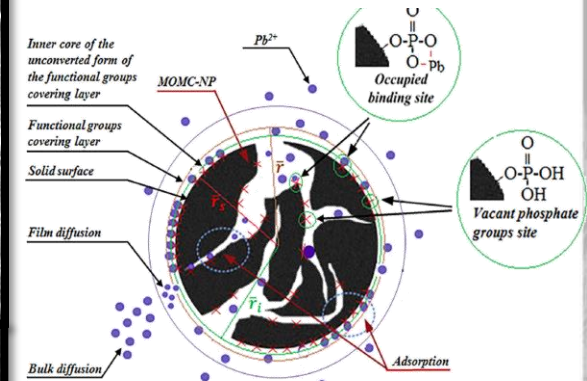
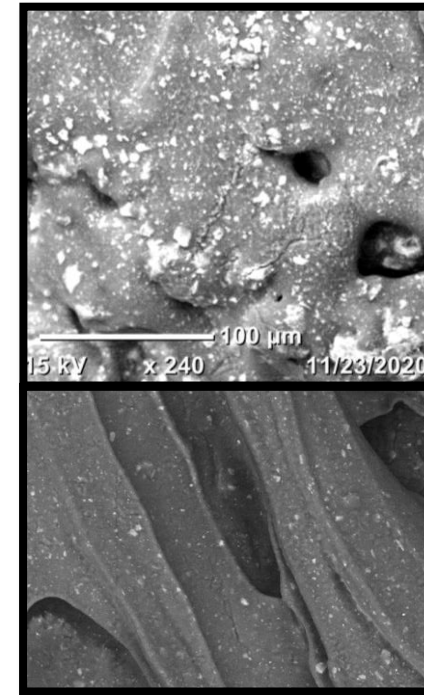
# Ammonia Removal vs. Porosity





# Conclusions

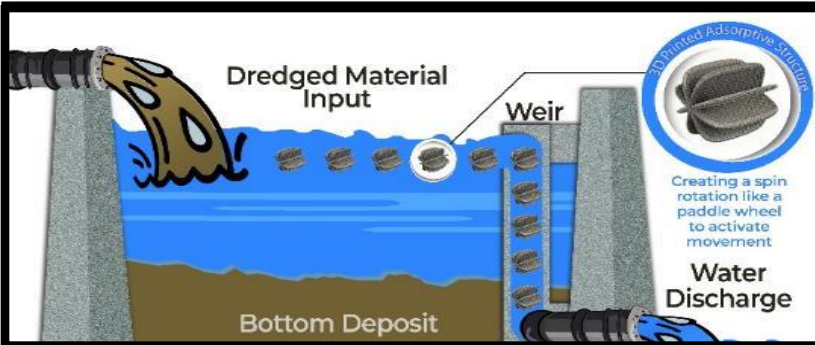
- Zeolite adsorption in 3DP composites
  - Immobilize/deployable/retrievable
  - Reduce physical exposure
- Tunable hierarchical porosity by 3DP
- Reduce  $[\text{NH}_3]$  below toxic levels <24 h
  - 20 – 44 mg/L TAN (1.3 – 2.9 mg/L UIA)
  - 3X faster treatment (<8 h workday)
- Ammonia specific (other CoCs)
- Other applications, CoCs (PFAS)



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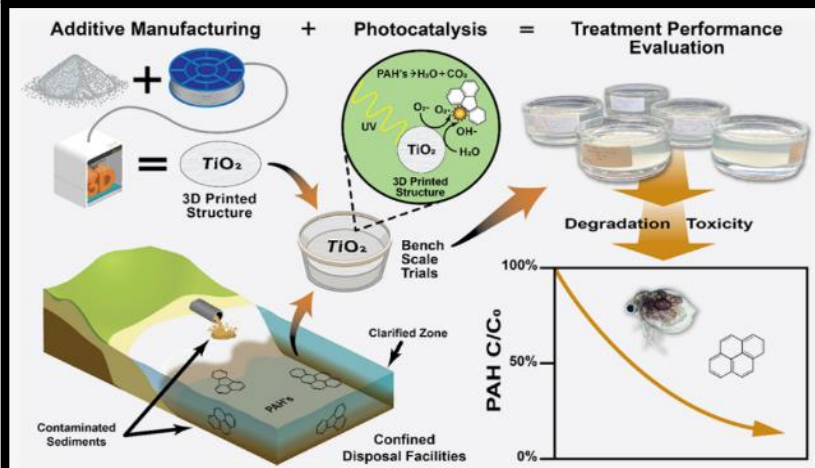
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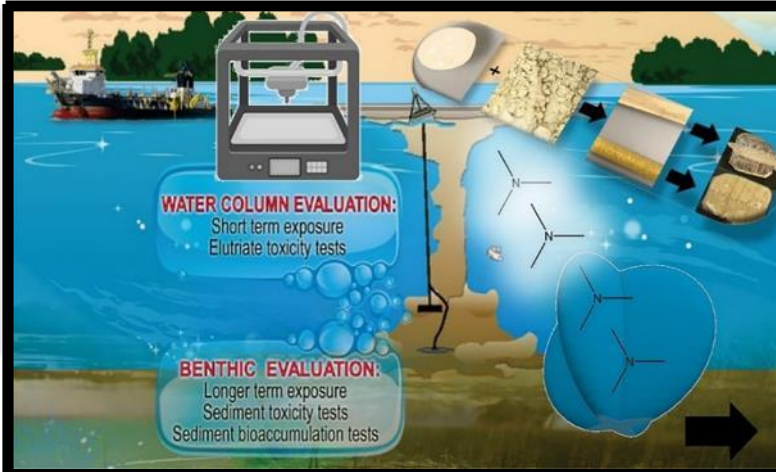


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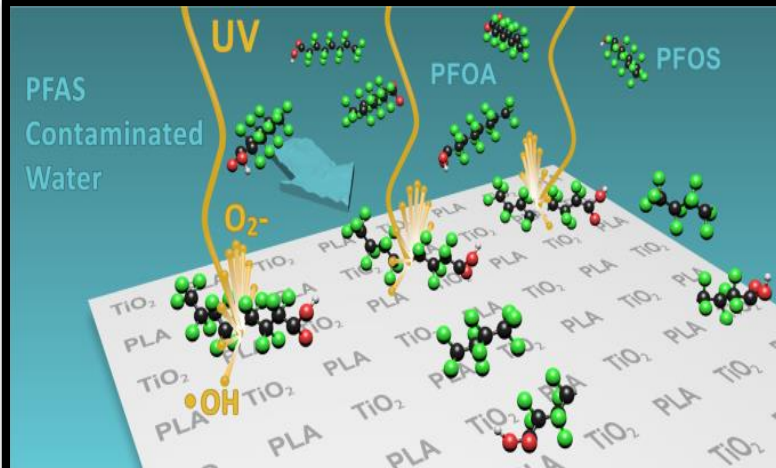
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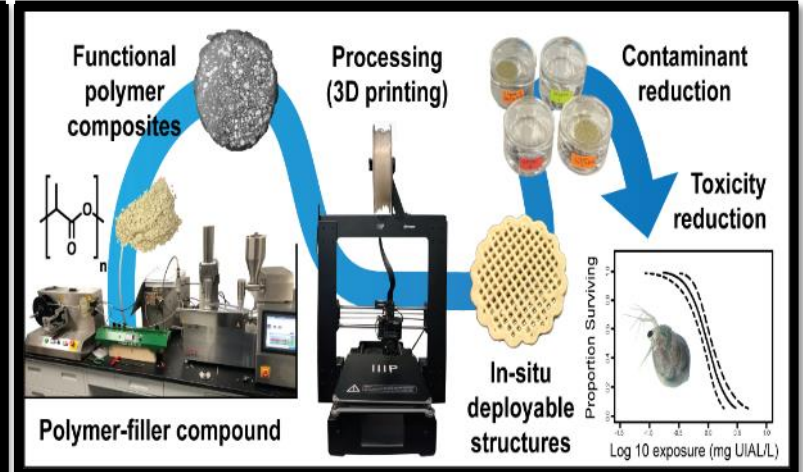


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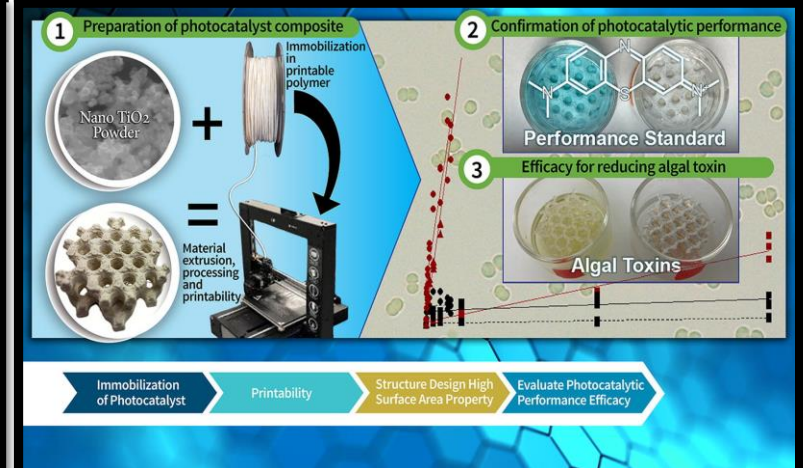


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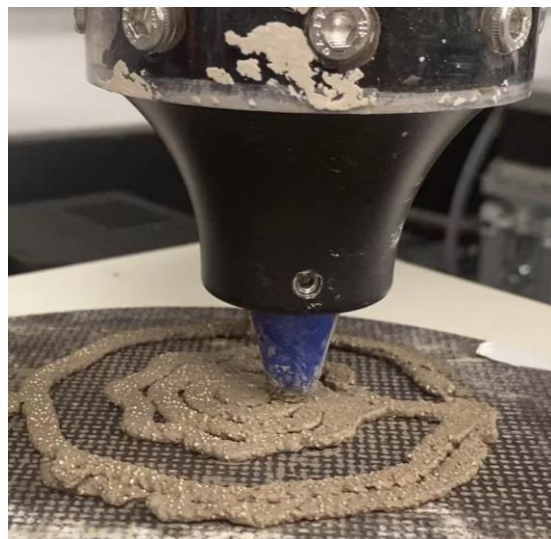
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# BUDM: 3D Printing sediment into Habitat





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## 7. Current Challenges for Sediment Characterization Projects – Panel Discussion

EcoAnalysts and ARI (Regina Edwards mod.)

### Summary

This was a moderated panel discussion with Regina Edwards, Michelle Knowlen, Mary Ann Rempel-Hester and Jay Word (EcoAnalysts) and Sue Dunnihoo (ARI). Topics focused on analytical turn-around-times for data delivery, their impact on product delivery for tiered aspects of regional testing (such as bioassays), and bioassay and bioaccumulation test species availability. Factors affecting analytical laboratories included supply-chain shortages of supplies and reagents and employee retention. Supply chain has gotten better as we have emerged from the pandemic, but issues still arise regarding reagent availability. The amphipod species of *Leptocheirus plumulosus* was discussed as a possible alternate for the 10-day benthic test. This species offers the advantage of being cultured instead of field collected and is already an approved species for other USEPA/USACE programs around the nation. The marine clam *Macoma nasuta* is used for bioaccumulation testing for dredged material programs around the nation. There are limitations in availability of this species due to there being only one supplier and whose population was severely reduced in 2021 due to the unprecedented heat dome event coupled with extreme low tides. EcoAnalysts is currently exploring the use of two alternate clam species for use in Puget Sound related bioaccumulation exposures.

### Discussion

#### Analytical Laboratory Questions

Q: Joy Dunay (USACE) – 1. Are labs dropping sediment analysis or just certain COCs? 2. How about reporting limits?

A: Sue – 1. ARI is one of the few labs still doing TBT. BPH in drinking water is another analysis that fewer labs are performing. Reporting Limits (RLs) create challenges for other labs. Detection limits were developed many years ago. 2. Many labs give RLs based on wet weight. Labs should determine total solids first and then report RLs based on dry weight (admittedly logistically challenging).

Q: Bill Gardiner (USACE) – Are there changes we can make to testing in order to anticipate issues? For example, for bioassay samples, why wait for all the chemistry data to come in once 1 COC triggers testing? There's no need to wait for data to be complete and validated when we could use preliminary data to trigger testing. Otherwise, hold times may expire.

A: Sue - Yes – such an approach would also give the lab the ability to prioritize COCs.

Q: Kent Patten (Apex) – Field schedule changes result in samples arriving late to the lab when it may not have adequate capacity. Coordination with the analytical labs is often not occurring. Question regarding Hg – non frozen 28-day hold time. If sediment has organic layer, labs are limited on mass associated with MDLs (10g). Is there flexibility about air drying (to reduce water weight) – Can build this into SAP beforehand. Predicting the % solids really helps.

A: Joy - SMS, Ecology and DMMP now allow a one-year frozen holding time for mercury. Other regions might not recognize that, but that is something that both of our programs allow. We issued a clarification paper on two years ago.

Q: Mark Rettman (Port of Tacoma) – We freeze everything when there are time issues with clients. Do you recommend that? Are there any other seasonality issues you can discuss?

A: Sue - All sediments at ARI are frozen in case something comes up. One of the worst times for lab turnaround is just after the 1<sup>st</sup> rain of the year.

### **Holding time issues with chemistry and toxicity testing**

Q: Susie McGroddy (Windward) – What happens if you have a concurrent tox test running when the sediment chemistry comes back ok? Can you just break down the test and thereby money?

A: Mary Ann Rempel-Hester - Yes, especially for bioaccumulation testing. Note that most of the country runs chemistry and toxicity concurrently and use both for decision making.

Comment: Kimbrie Gobbi (WSP) – One possible solution is to plan for 2 mobilizations (chemistry and bioassay) even though this will cost more \$\$ if you sample a second time. Freeze a portion of sediments from the second deployment for possible chemistry testing. Also run grain size analysis up front.

Comment: Brian Hester (USACE) – Remember that chemical analysis also needs to be conducted within a prescribed holding time. Tiering means that bioassays don't start until after the chemical analysis holding time. Concurrent testing eliminates that variable.

Comment: Sue Dunnihoo (ARI). Heard that original holding times were “made up” by an EPA project manager who was tired of getting his data late.

### **Bioassay species availability**

Q: Erika Hoffman (EPA) - Why are there no suppliers for *Rhepoxinius*?

A: Mary Ann Rempel-Hester (EcoAnalysts) - US Supplier retired. Canadian supplier had difficulties with collecting, weather, and shipping across the border.

## Panel Discussion: Current Challenges for Sediment Characterization Projects

EcoAnalysts & ARI



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### Panel (Who We Are)



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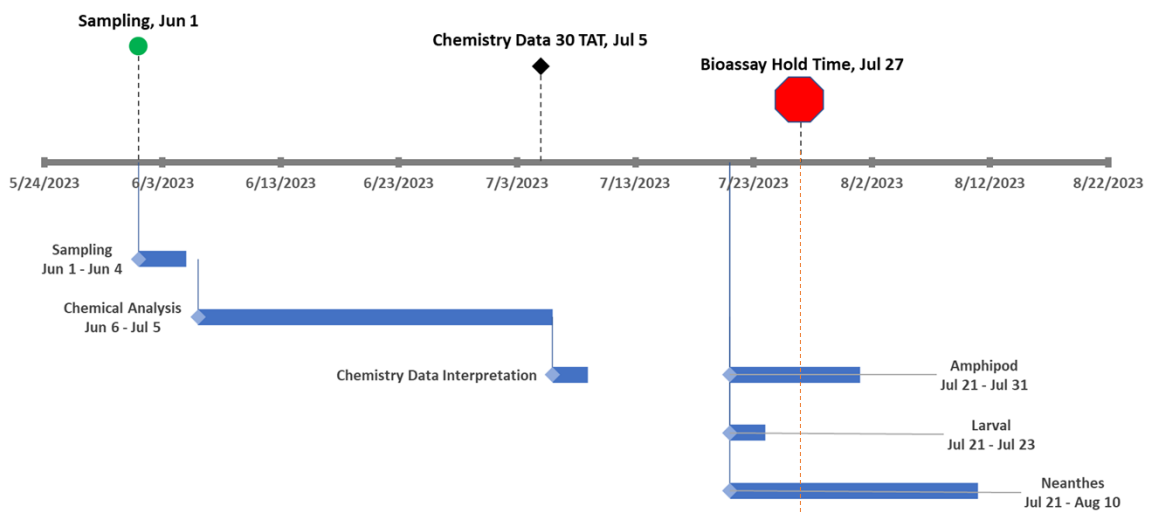
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## Panel and Discussion Topics

- Chemistry Turn-Around-Time
- Bioassay Hold Times
- Bioassay Test Species Availability

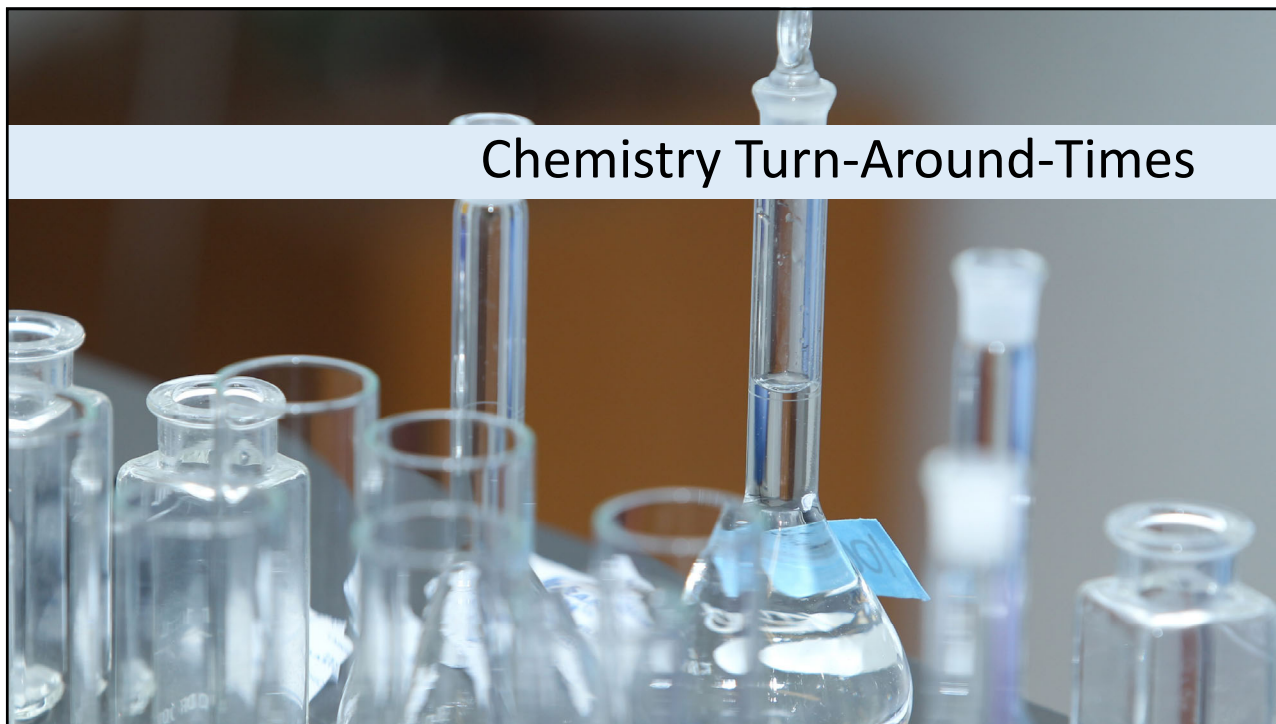


### 30 Day TAT DMMP Project Timeline – Tiered Testing





## Chemistry Turn-Around-Times



## Chemistry Turn-Around-Times

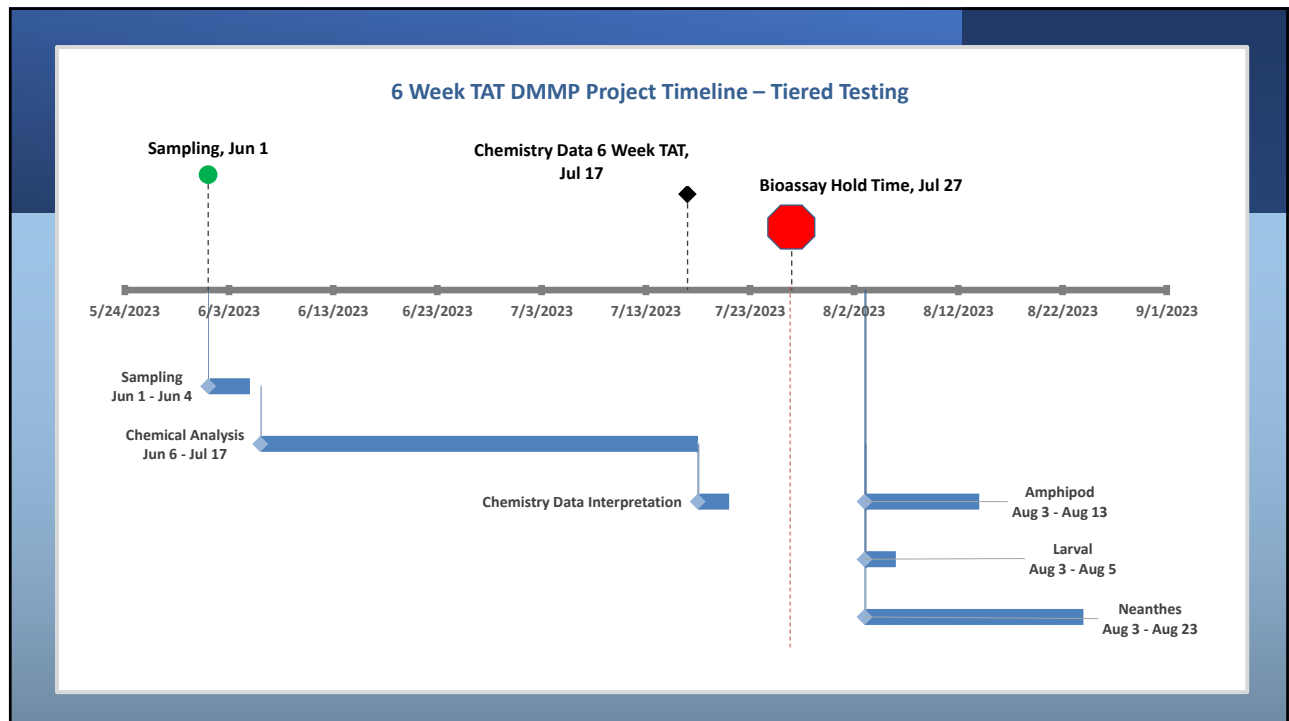


30-day TAT standard DMMP request  
6 – 8 weeks new normal

- Laboratory staffing issues
- Supplies and reagent shortages
- Tighter regulations
- Larger investigations
- Laboratories offering fewer services



## Bioassay Hold Times

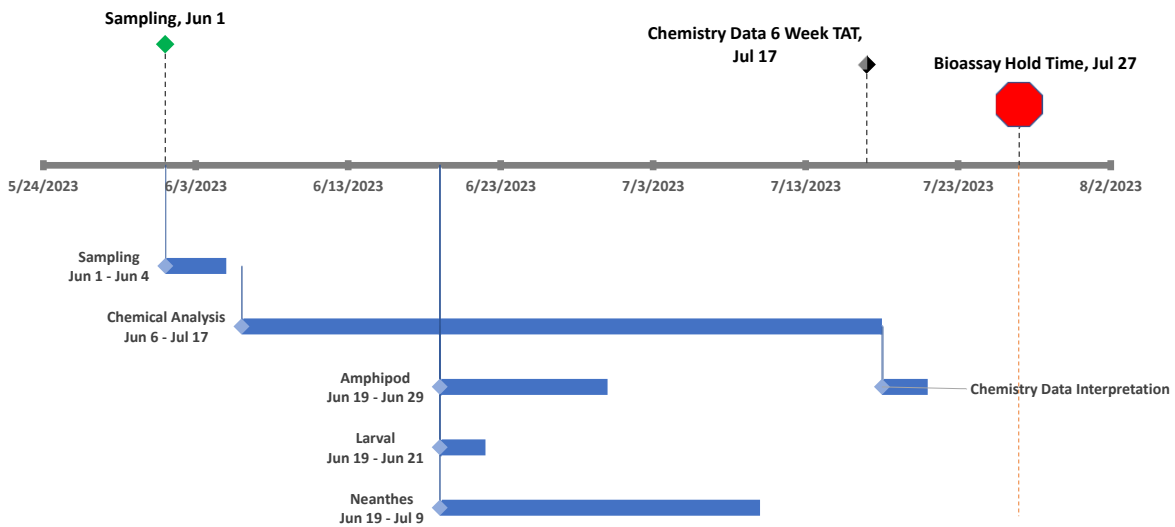


## Bioassay Hold Times Potential Solutions

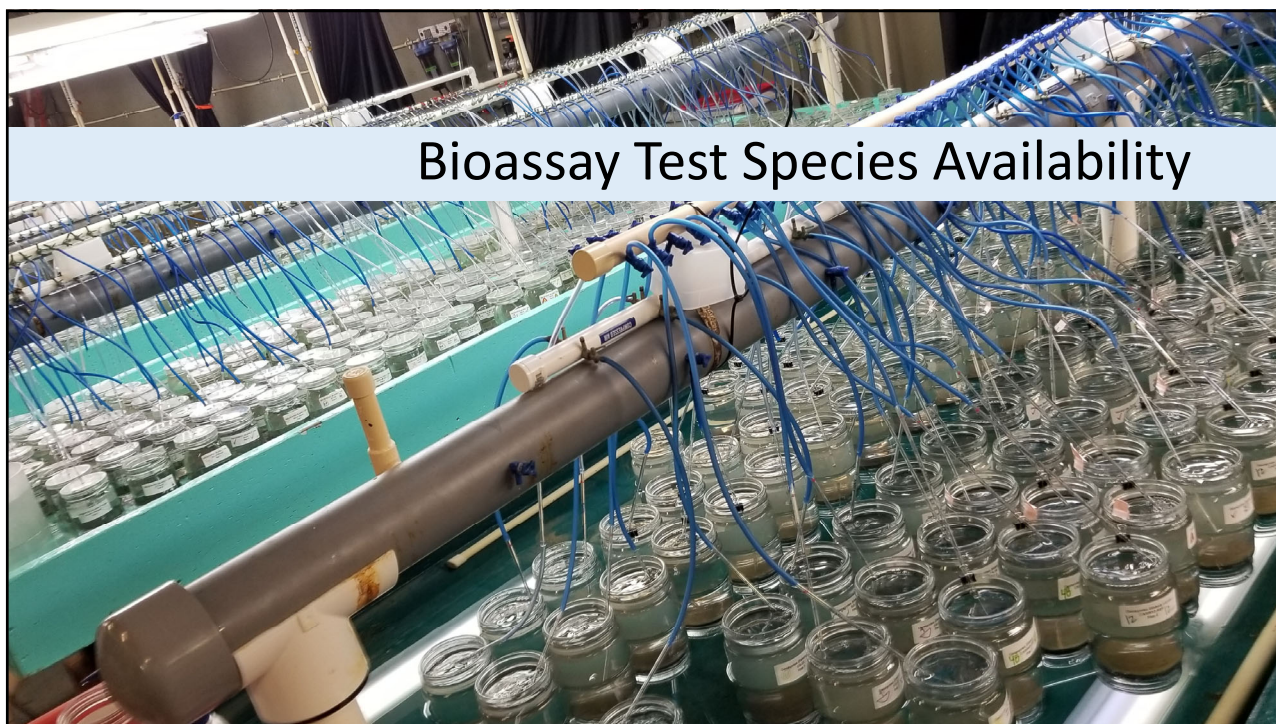
- Concurrent Testing
  - Concurrent testing is the least time consuming and is likely the most economical when the need for biological testing is expected, because the need to collect (and re-analyze) additional sediment for bioassays is eliminated (DMMU 2021).
- Tiered Concurrent Testing
  - Use existing ranking to determine which sites are most appropriate for concurrent testing.
- Extended bioassay hold time
  - 56-day hold time starts the day first sample collected representing DMMU
- Other ideas?



### 6 Week TAT DMMP Project Timeline - Concurrent Testing




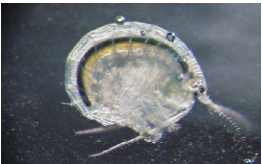






## Bioassay Test Species Availability

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### Bioassay Test Species Availability: Marine Amphipods

	<p>← <i>Eohaustorius estuarius:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognized in PSEP, User Manual, SCUM, SEF</li> <li>• If sample grain size &lt; 60% fines (PSEP, SCUM) or &lt; 20% clay (User Manual)</li> <li>• Field collected</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Currently only 1 supplier</li> <li>• Seasonality issues: smaller adults less available Feb-March</li> </ul>
	<p>← <i>Ampelisca abdita:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognized in PSEP, User Manual, SCUM, SEF</li> <li>• If sample grain size &gt; 60% fines (PSEP, SCUM) or &gt; 20% clay (User Manual)</li> <li>• Field collected</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Currently only 1 supplier</li> <li>• Seasonality issues: not usable from April-July</li> </ul>
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 <p>Proposed alternate amphipod</p>	<p>← <i>Leptocheirus plumulosus:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not recognized in PSEP, User Manual, or SCUM ...but recognized in SEF, OTM, etc.</li> <li>• Grain size prefs: ≥ 5% fines (ASTM)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cultured</li> <li>• Multiple suppliers</li> <li>• Seasonality issues: none</li> </ul>

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## Bioaccumulation Test Species Availability: Bivalves

### Issue



- Primary test species - *Macoma nasuta*
- Field collected
- Only one supplier
- 2021 climate impact
- remains reduced today

### Potential Solution

- Identify another bivalve species
- Bioaccumulation is based on exposure and species-specific factors
- Ideally an alternative species should
  - Feed similarly
  - Have similar lipid content
  - Accumulate compounds similarly
  - Occupy different habitat
- Opportunity to compare bioaccumulation

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## Potential Alternatives



Varnish Clam (*Nuttallia obscurata*)

#### Positives

- Facultative feeder – like *Macoma*
- Occupies different part of intertidal zone
- Readily commercially available
- Non-native species

#### Negatives and Questions

- Has not (to our knowledge) been used for bioaccumulation testing
- Will it survive well enough during testing?
- Will it accumulate compounds similar to *Macoma*?



Littleneck (*Leukoma staminea*)

#### Positives

- Occupies different part of intertidal zone
- Readily commercially available
- Has been used in laboratory testing

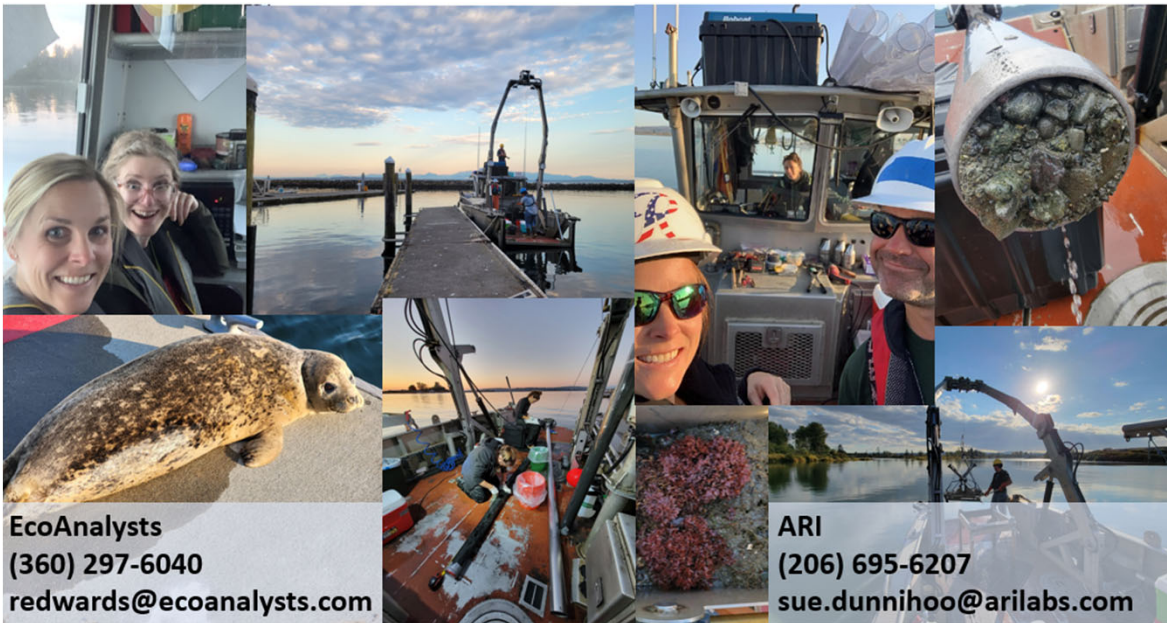
#### Negatives and Questions

- Filter feeder? Is this a real negative
- Will it accumulate compounds similar to *Macoma*?

Photos taken from WDFW Website <https://wdfw.wa.gov/species-habitats/species/>

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Thank you!



## Bioaccumulation Test Species Availability: Bivalves

### Regulatory Background

- USACE Seattle District User Manual - bioaccumulation species should be selected based on the assimilation rate of a specific compound.
- “the time to reach or approach steady-state varies among different compounds and, to a lesser extent, among species.” USACE Inland Testing Manual
- Two marine clams were identified as “candidate test species” in the USACE Inland Testing Manual.
  - *Macoma nasuta*
  - *Yoldia limatula*
- USACE Inland testing manual recommends testing with at least one benchmark species
  - Marine benchmark species are *Macoma nasuta* (**bivalve**), *Neanthes Arenaceodentata* (**polychaete**), and *Alitta virens* (**polychaete**).
- USACE Seattle District User Manual identifies *Nephtys caecoides* as the primary polychaete species but also identifies *Alitta virens* as an alternative.

## **8. 2022 Shoalwater Bay Barrier Dune Repair: Incorporating Natural and Nature-Based Features to Reduce Flood/Erosion Risk While Maintaining Critical Shorebird Habitat**

Dave Michalsen (USACE)

### **Summary**

Dave summarized a project that was aimed at protecting a coastal area of Willapa Bay including the Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe reservation from flooding and erosional processes. Initiated in the late nineties, the project involved the placement of dredge material on the barrier island. Additional restoration included development of a cobble beach as a wave energy dampener, a salt marsh acting as a buffer, and maintenance of the barrier island for storm protection. The project faced challenges such as ongoing erosion and endangered shorebird breeding areas. An emergency repair was declared in 2022, and funding of \$40 million was secured in January 2023. Environmental considerations included protecting critical shorebird habitat and maintaining tidal flow through the slough. The project was completed successfully, showcasing the effectiveness of natural nature-based features and engineering with nature.

### **Discussion**

Q: Justine Barton (EPA)- Has there been erosion on back side of the sand fencing?

A: Dave – The fencing has two purposes: Maintain elevations by keeping material in the dune system and protecting the wetland behind the fence by keeping material from burying it.

Q: Unknown. Was climate change considered?

A: Dave – The natural interface solution used in this design was more adaptive to climate change. Dynamic revetment (vs rock revetment) moves material up the intertidal. With the design used USACE can make adjustments over time.

**2022 SHOALWATER BAY BARRIER DUNE REPAIR:  
INCORPORATING NATURAL AND NATURE-BASED  
FEATURES TO REDUCE FLOOD/EROSION RISK WHILE  
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## COASTAL STORM RISK MANAGEMENT



### SHOALWATER BAY AT WILLIPA BAY, WASHINGTON

The Shoalwater Bay Shoreline Erosion, Washington, study was conducted in accordance with Section 545 of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2000, and amended by Section 5153 of WRDA 2007.

Directed the Secretary of the Army to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of providing coastal erosion protection for the tribal reservation of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe in the State of Washington. Section 545(b) provides that the Secretary shall construct and maintain a project at Federal expense if the Secretary determines that the project:

- (a) Is a cost-effective means of providing coastal erosion protection;
- (b) Is environmentally acceptable and technically feasible; and
- (c) Will improve the economic and social conditions of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe.

### Barrier island erosion and rollover since 1984



### Project Construction timeline

1. 2013: Initial breach closure and dune restoration - 709 KCY dredged material (DM)
2. 2018: Renourishment of dune (937 KCY DM)
3. 2022: Emergency dune repair (445 KCY DM) and dynamic revetment construction (192.8 KTONS)






# NATURAL AND NATURE-BASED FEATURES (NNBF)



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Table 1. Examples of NNBF relevant to coastal systems (USACE 2013).

NATURAL AND NATURE-BASED FEATURES AT A GLANCE				
				
<b>Dunes and Beaches</b>	<b>Vegetated Features (e.g., Marshes)</b>	<b>Oyster and Coral Reefs</b>	<b>Barrier Islands</b>	<b>Maritime Forests/Shrub Communities</b>
<b>Benefits/Processes</b> Breaking of offshore waves Attenuation of wave energy Slow inland water transfer	<b>Benefits/Processes</b> Breaking of offshore waves Attenuation of wave energy Slow inland water transfer Increased infiltration	<b>Benefits/Processes</b> Breaking of offshore waves Attenuation of wave energy Slow inland water transfer	<b>Benefits/Processes</b> Wave attenuation and/or dissipation Sediment stabilization	<b>Benefits/Processes</b> Wave attenuation and/or dissipation Shoreline erosion stabilization Soil retention
<b>Performance Factors</b> Berm height and width Beach slope Sediment grain size and supply Dune height, crest, and width Presence of vegetation	<b>Performance Factors</b> Marsh, wetland, or SAV elevation and continuity Vegetation type and density Spatial extent	<b>Performance Factors</b> Reef width, elevation, and roughness	<b>Performance Factors</b> Island elevation, length, and width Land cover Breach susceptibility Proximity to mainland shore	<b>Performance Factors</b> Vegetation height and density Forest dimension Sediment composition Platform elevation
General coastal risk reduction performance factors include: Storm surge and wave height/period, and water levels				

## Shoalwater Bay Project

- ✓ Barrier island
- ✓ Dune and beach
- ✓ Salt marsh
- ✓ Dynamic revetment (cobble beach)



# PROJECT BACKGROUND



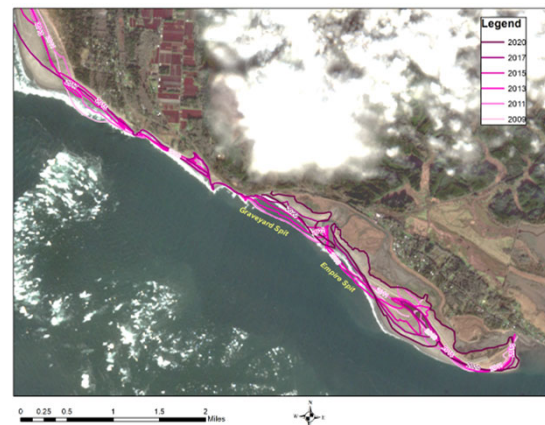
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## Storm damage 2020/21

1. Northern 4,000 feet of beach dune eroded/breached during storms in Nov. 2020, Jan 2021
2. Emergency Action under PL 84-99 recommended in Project Information Report completed in Oct 2021
3. \$40M in funding received for repair under DRSA 2022 in Jan. 2022



Figure 5. Drone video still frame of wave overwash and formation of breaches through north section (at Sta. 25+00 looking toward Sta. 3+00)





## 2022 EMERGENCY REPAIR SCHEDULE



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Contract Required Dates	Actual Dates Completed
Site Preparation: Occurs after post award and after environmental compliance clearance	16 May 2022 – Contract Award 01 June 2022 – Wetlands Delineation & Avian Monitoring Start
The contractor cannot construct the temporary causeway (with proposed culverts) across Cannery Slough until 01 June 2022	06 June 2022 - Temporary Road Construction Starts 12 July 2022 – Slough Crossing/Culvert Starts
Dredging will be completed between 16 July 2022 through 01 October 2022	17 July 2022 – Dredging Starts 30 October 2022 – Dredging Completed
Cobble transport, staging, placement can occur after culvert construction is completed and culvert construction can commence between 01 June 2022 and 28 January 2023, per environmental compliance requirements	05 August 2023 – Culverts Construction Completed 08 August 2022 – Temporary Road Completed 23 August 2022 – Revetment Construction Starts
Construction Completed by 28 January 2023	10 November 2022 – Construction Completed
Site Restoration Completed by 28 February 2023	22 December 2022 – Site Restoration Completed
Draft final report, As-Built by 28 March 2023	23 December 2022 – In-Progress Draft Report Submitted 15 March 2023 – Draft Report Submitted



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**Contract Awarded 16 May 2022 under USACE Omaha Districts Rapid Infrastructure MATOC.**

1. ECC Environmental, LLC - Prime Contractor
2. Ross Island Sand & Gravel – Dredging and dune grading
3. Rognlin's Construction – Haul road construction, slough crossing, and dynamic revetment construction, sand fence installation
4. Jacobs – Avian Monitoring and Wetland Delineation



## ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS



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1. **Minimizing impacts to ESA-threatened species - critical shorebird habitat (W. Snowy Plover; Streaked horn lark)**
  - a. Dedicated avian monitoring team to ensure nests were avoided during construction, escorts required for all construction staff during nesting window between March – August
  - b. May-June adjusted haul road configuration on Graveyard Spit to avoid nests
  - c. temporary shutdown of dredging in August 2022 on Empire Spit for nests to hatch and migrate out of construction region
2. **Protection and Avoidance of Class I coastal wetlands (tidal salt marsh)**
  - a. Detailed wetland delineation on Graveyard and Empire Spit
  - b. Nimble adjustments to design dune footprint to avoid wetlands
  - c. Installation of sand fencing on backside of dune to control aeolian transport
3. **Maintaining tidal slough crossing for fish passage during construction**
  - a. Installation of 9 – 144" corrugated metal pipe (CMP) culverts to pass full tidal prism of backside embayment



## WESTERN SNOWY PLOVER USAGE IN WA STATE

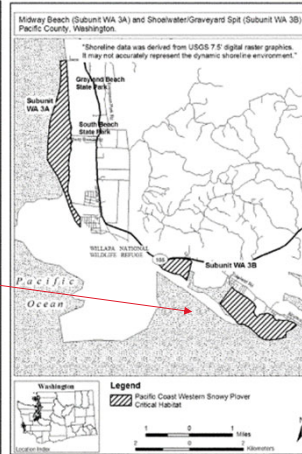
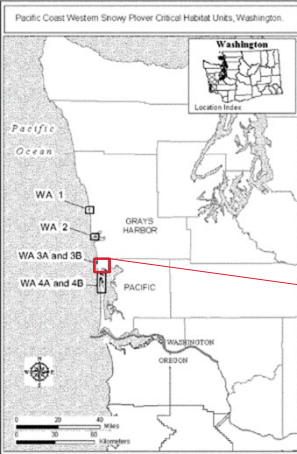


Table 1. Mean counts\* (range) of breeding adults at nesting areas in Washington, 2008-2020 (Pearson and others 2019; Ritchie and others 2020; Sundstrom and others 2021).

Year	Midway	Graveyard	Leadbetter Pt.	Long Beach	Ocean Shores/City	Connor Crk	Copalis Spit	Total
2008	14 (10-19)	1 (0-2)	32 (23-40)	ns*	ns	ns	ns	47 (33-60)
2009	15 (13-17)	0	17 (10-24)	ns	ns	ns	ns	31 (23-39)
2010	14 (11-18)	0	21 (17-26)	ns	ns	ns	ns	36 (33-38)
2011	19 (8-30)	0	12 (6-19)	ns	ns	ns	ns	31 (15-47)
2012	14 (5-23)	2 (0-3)	18 (6-29)	ns	ns	ns	ns	33 (15-52)
2013	20 (16-24)	4 (1-6)	20 (19-20)	ns	ns	ns	ns	43 (41-45)
2014	11(9-13)	7 (6-8)	24 (21-28)	ns	ns	ns	ns	41(40-43)
2015	24 (19-33)	8 (3-11)	43 (34-54)	ns	ns	ns	ns	77 (65-98)
2016	37 (33-40)	21 (18-25)	33 (25-32)	2 (0-2)	0	0	1	93 (85-103)
2017	36 (35-36)	21 (18-24)	21 (14-32)	13 (0-13)	0	0	0	78 (70-86)
2018	31 (23-40)	35 (28-42)	21 (13-29)	1 (0-1)	1 (0-3)	1(1-2)	0	87 (80-91)
2019	33 (28-39)	31 (30-32)	16 (7-21)	11 (7-19)	1	0	0	93 (78-100) <sup>b</sup>
2020	33 (29-37)	33 (30-35)	ns	ns	2	4(3-4)	4(2-6)	65 (47-76) <sup>c</sup>
2021	33 (29-36)	43 (35-49)	14 (12-17)	1 (0-4)	ns	2(2-3)	6(5-7)	100

\*Breeding window protocol with ~3 replicates; ns= no survey.

<sup>b</sup>Includes 1 bird at Ocean Shores, and 1 bird on Gunpowder Sands Island, north of Leadbetter.

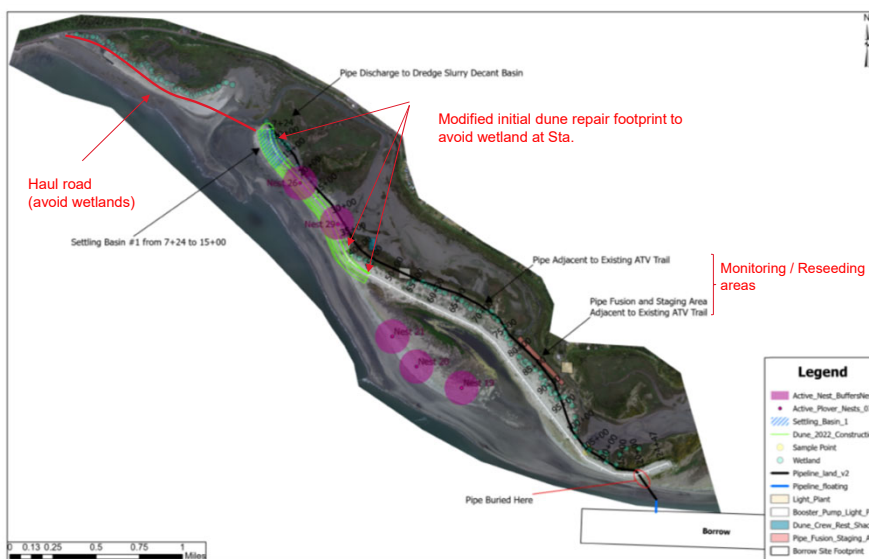
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## WETLAND DELINEATION & W. SNOWY PLOVER NESTS



1. Nest 26 & 29 delayed dredging and construction of 2<sup>nd</sup> settling basin from 27 July – 8 Aug (paid standby time)

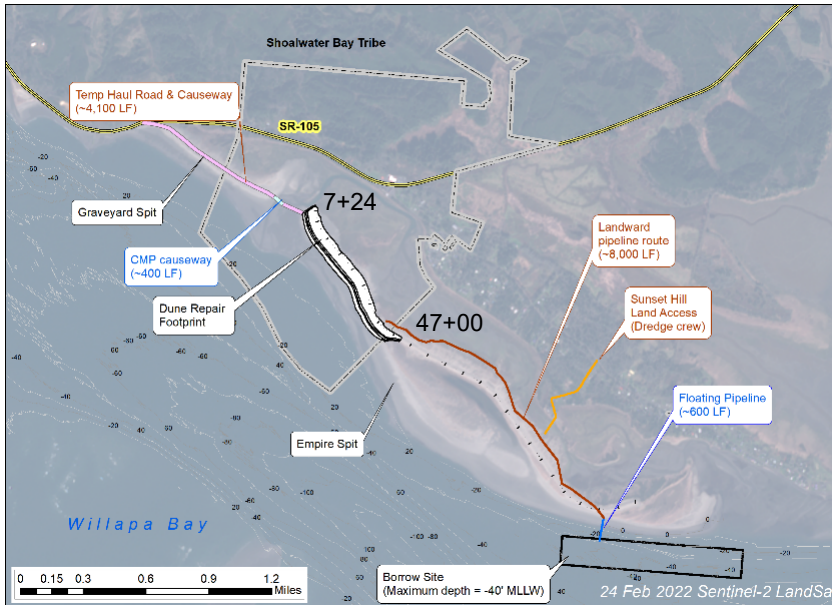
2. Wetland delineation required design changes to dune footprint in 3 locations

3. Monitoring/Re seeding wetland areas impacted by pipeline operations – March 2023





## ACCESS AND CONSTRUCTION AREA



Graveyard Spit:  
Temporary haul road  
Material staging areas (2)

Cannery Slough:  
Temporary fill causeway with  
nine - 144" arched CMP  
culverts and slope protection

Empire Spit:  
Dune repair and dynamic  
revetment construction area

Borrow Site:  
Hydraulically dredge 455,000  
CY and pump ashore sand for  
dune fill

Sunset Hill Access:  
Dredge crew changes and  
pipeline mob/demob



## GRAVEYARD SPIT HAUL ROAD & STAGING AREAS



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Haul Road :

- Access from SR-105 onto Graveyard Spit
- 4,100 L, 32' W, 5' H
- Silt fence barrier to prevent plovers from accessing road
- Quarry Spalls / 3" minus road binder (67,297 tons)





## CANNERY SLOUGH TEMP. CAUSEWAY – JUL 2022

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Jul 25, 2022 at 5:16:13 AM  
South Bend WA  
United States  
Willapa Bay



Jul 26, 2022 at 10:33:28 AM  
South Bend WA  
United States  
Willapa Bay



Jul 25, 2022 at 5:29:19 AM  
South Bend WA  
United States  
Willapa Bay

- Installation of nine – 144" Corrugated metal pipes with crane
- 3 rip rap columns to support CMPs in a trench
- Backfill trench around CMPs with 1.5" minus ballast rock using conveyor / tremie sock
- Turbidity curtains used on upstream / downstream side during construction



## CANNERY SLOUGH TEMP. CAUSEWAY – JUL 2022

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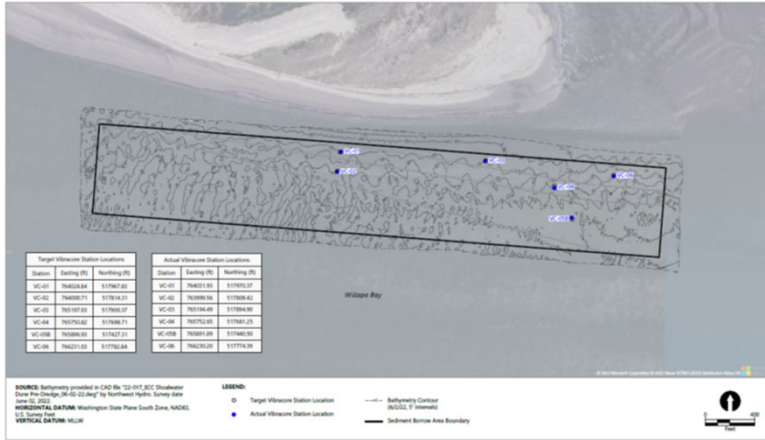


CMPs conveying full tidal prism from backshore embayment



## OFFSHORE BORROW SITE CHARACTERIZATION

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>95% sand/gravel at dredge locations  
Areas with large amounts of shell.  
Bulk density (91 – 106 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>)



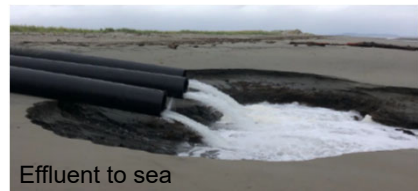
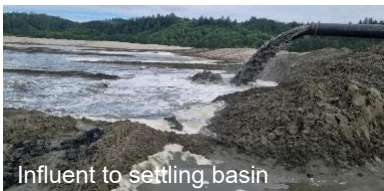
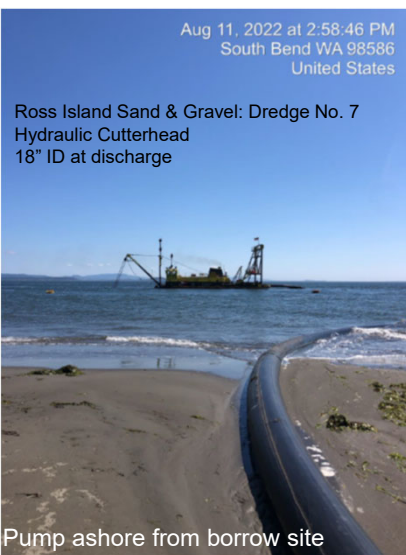
- Grain size (ASTM D422)
- Moisture content (ASTM D2216)
- Bulk Density

Suitability determination completed 14-July 2022: Tier 1 status




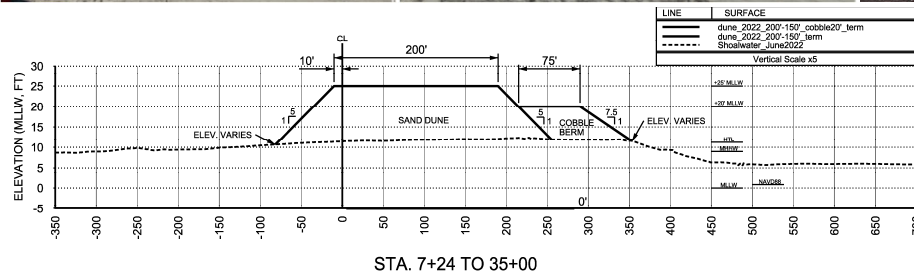
## OFFSHORE BORROW SITE AND PUMP-ASHORE

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- Dredging: 17 July – 30 Oct 2022
  - Constructed 4 separate settling basins ~1000' in length
  - Perimeter dikes built with dozers to facilitate settling of solids
  - Effluent released from upper water column – No turbidity exceedances during operations
  - Production rates: highly variable based on shell presence and equipment repair downtime:
    - AVG over job: 5,511 CY/day
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- Settling basin #1



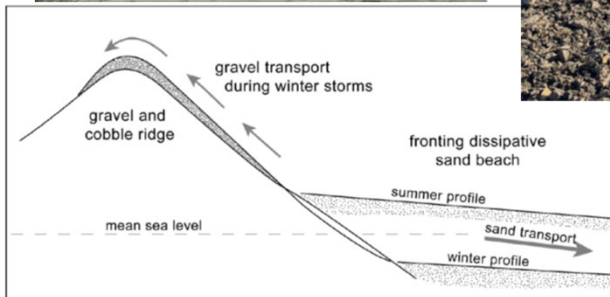
- Total volume: 444,958 CY
- Dune crest ht: +25' MLLW
- Dune crest width: 150-200'
- Dune side slopes: 1V:5H
- Sand fencing: Spaced 25' along landward dune sideslope from Sta. 7+00 to 37+00





## DYNAMIC REVETMENT CONSTRUCTION

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- 192,800 tons of 8" minus angular sized cobble
- 6,173 truck loads from 23 Aug – 10 Nov (56 d)



## SITE RESTORATION – GRAVEYARD SPIT

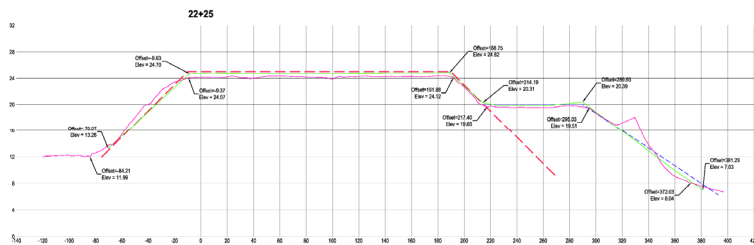
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An aerial photograph of a wide, sandy beach. The beach is covered with numerous pieces of driftwood and logs. To the left, there is a dense forest of evergreen trees. The ocean is visible on the right side of the frame, with white surf breaking onto the shore. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds. In the top left corner, there is a text overlay: "tokeland 1 #99 1/10/23". In the top right corner, there are two small icons: a clock and a right-pointing arrow.



1. Dynamic revetment performed very well. Formed a secondary berm during the winter months
2. Dynamic revetment recruited large woody debris
3. Sand buried dynamic revetment in areas (e.g. northern terminus)
4. Sand fencing reduced wind-blown sand transport on landside (salt marsh area)



## SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

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1. Successfully executed Emergency Repair under a compressed schedule (<8 mo. from award to completion)
2. Project Presented a complex set of constraints:
  - Access (Real Estate),
  - Environmental (ESA- shorebirds),
  - Arranging equipment and materials (hydraulic dredge, procuring/delivering large amounts of quarry material, CMPs)
3. Highly functional Project Delivery Team (PDT),
  - Leveraged strengths of USACE, Omaha District Rapid Response Center of Expertise with key technical staff at Seattle District (Real estate, environmental, cultural resources, engineering)
  - Prime contractor subcontracted with local Construction Team, provided knowledge, logistical, and cost advantages
4. Delivered level of protection to Shoalwater Bay Tribe prior to Winter 2022/2023 Storm Season.
5. Successful example of incorporation of Engineering With Nature, using Natural and Nature Based features



## 9. DMMP Highlights for Dredging Year 2023

Lauran Warner and Kelsey van der Elst (USACE); Laura Inouye (Ecology)

### Summary

Lauran Warner, USACE: Around a million cubic yards of dredged material were characterized for suitability determinations, primarily from the Snohomish River. Only one project encountered unsuitable material. Despite difficulties in core sampling, progress was made across various ongoing projects.

Kelsey van der Elst, USACE, reviewed the sampling and characterization details of a project in the Lake Washington Ship Canal, just downstream of the Hiram M. Chittenden Locks in Seattle. Challenges encountered included difficulty collecting representative samples, long delays in receiving analytical results, and the need for additional characterization of the project, especially with respect to antidegradation.

Laura Inouye, Ecology: There have been numerous instances of over-dredging, which can lead to minor or even significant consequences. A list has been maintained since 2008, revealing a significant number of over-dredging events, some occurring in contaminated areas. The repercussions varied based on factors such as contamination presence, material disposal location, anti-degradation concerns, and the severity of the over-dredging. Responses from agencies included fines imposed by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and requirements for bathymetric surveys or evaluations of potential problems caused by exposed materials. In some cases, post-dredge sampling or monitoring of disposal sites was necessary. To prevent over-dredging, careful consideration of allowances and characterization during the permitting process is crucial. Communication with contractors is essential, especially when precision is required. Attention to calibration and backup methods, as well as caution regarding nighttime shifts, is advised. Immediate investigation and communication with the DMMP agencies must occur if over-dredging is suspected to ensure efficient resolution.

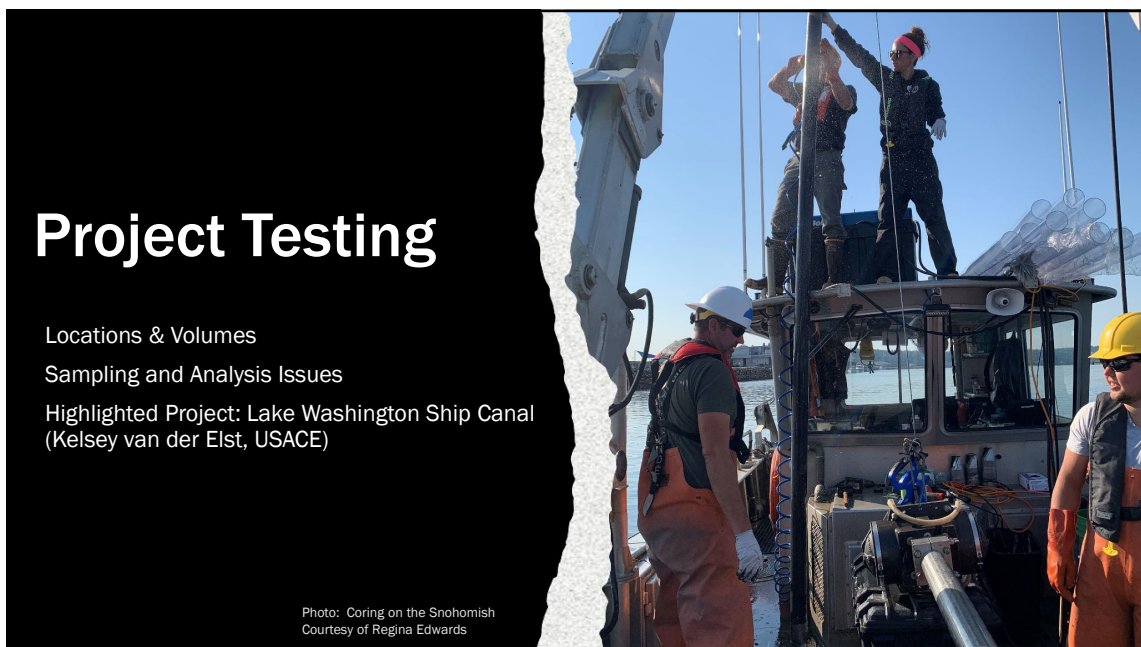
Additional program updates included:

- The Puget Sound Sediment Reference Material (PS-SRM) samples have been relocated to the EPA Manchester lab. Reminder that when the PS-SRM is used to please submit the data and reference the bottle number.
- Environmental Information Monitoring (EIM) Database: Updates have been made to the spreadsheets related to PCB congener results. Use the updated template as of June 28, 2023
- Lab accreditation: Due to long lab turn-around-times, DMMP now accepting data from labs accredited through authorized bodies other than WDOE, such as under the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (NELAP).

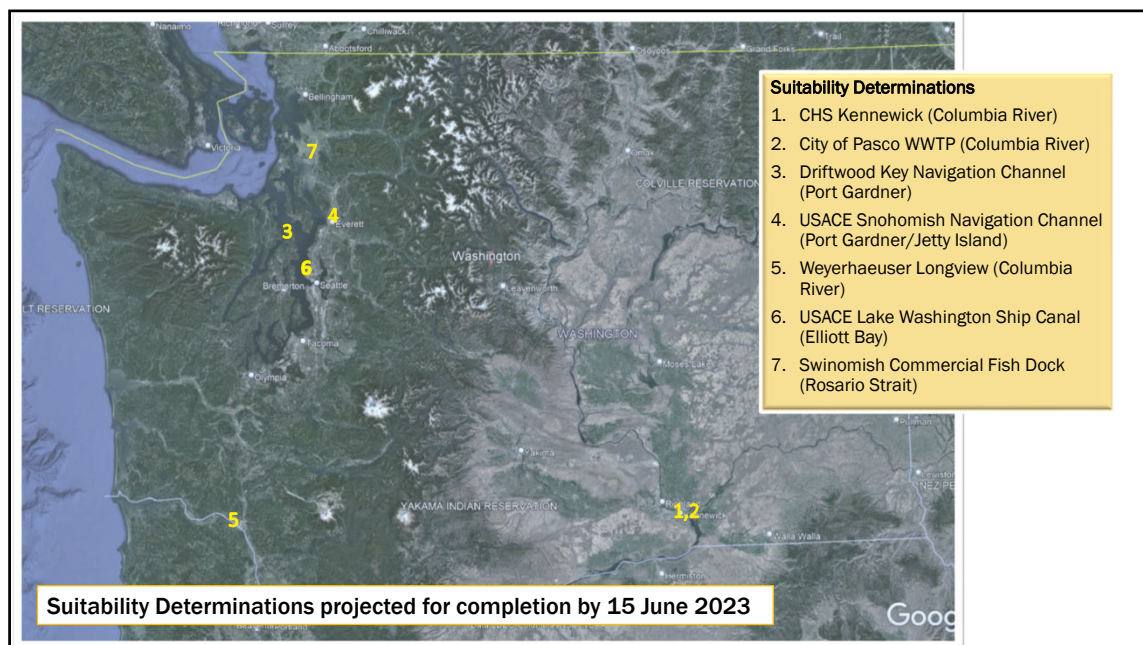
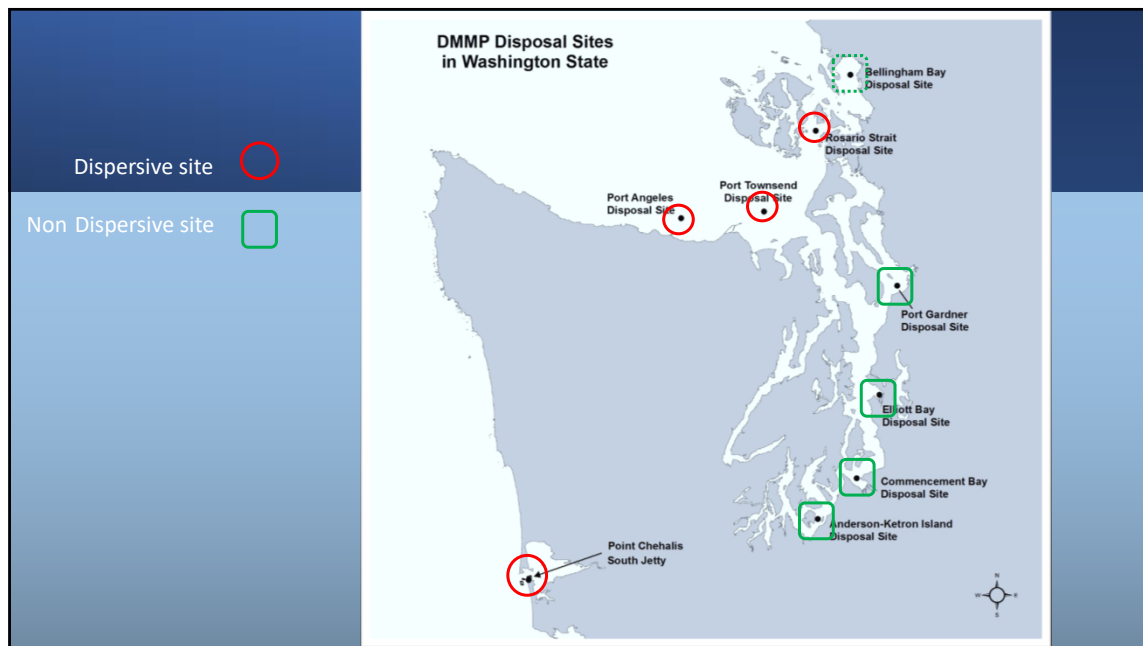
### Discussion

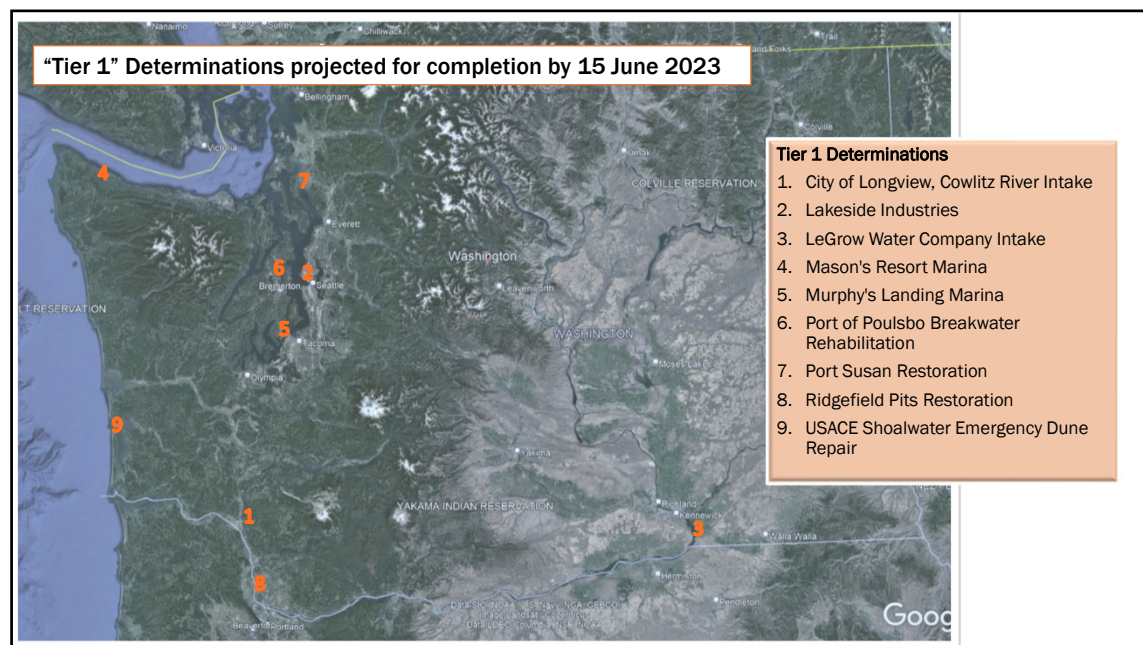
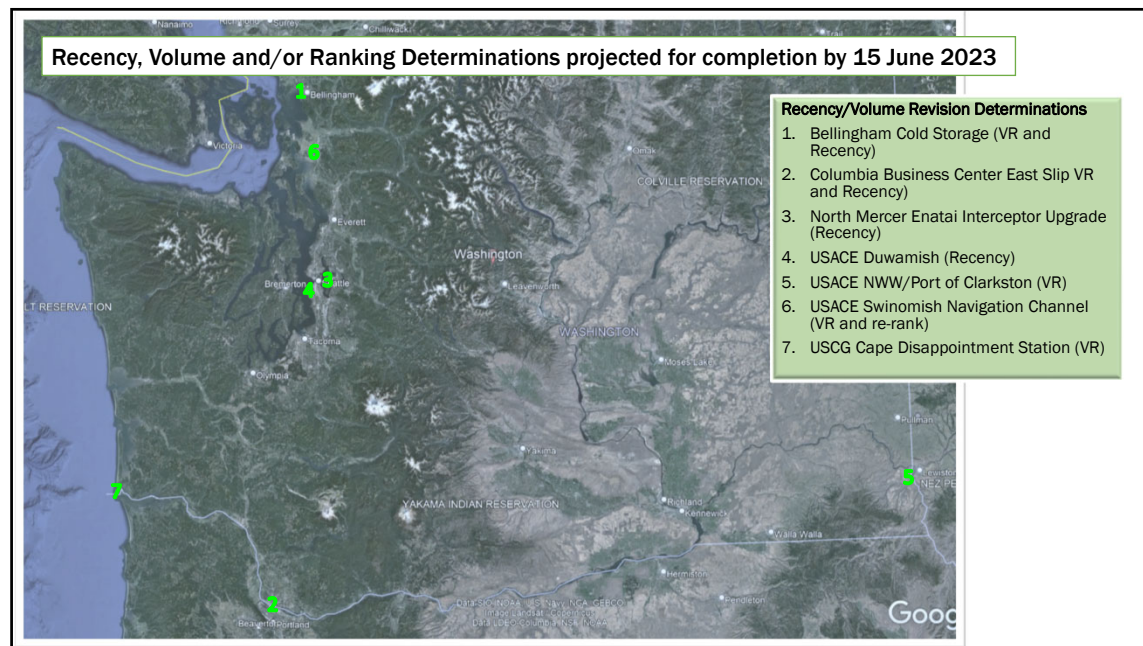
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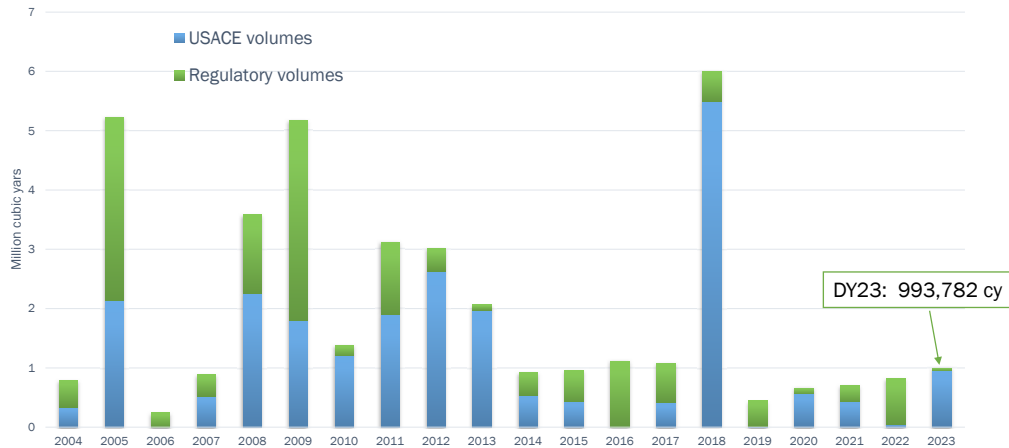




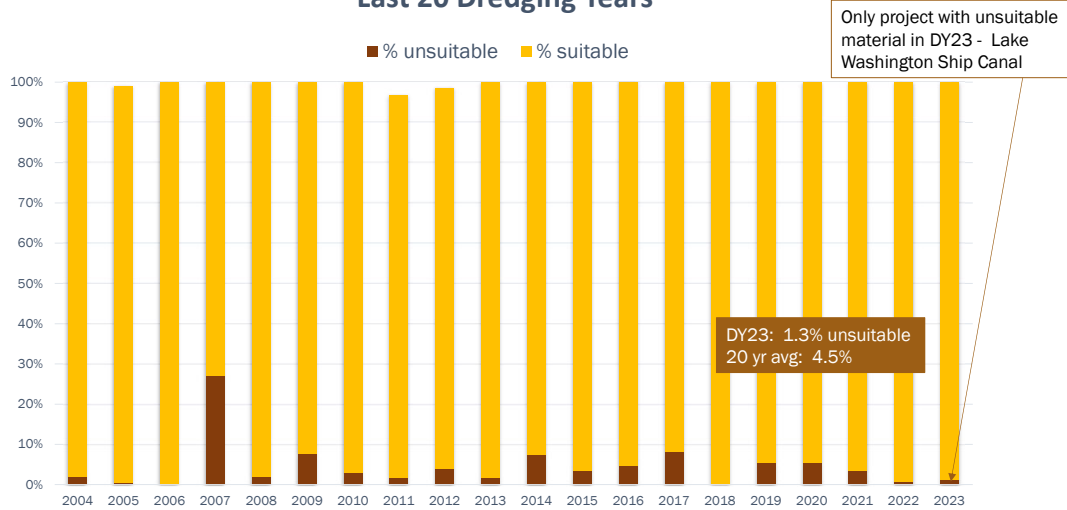




## Total Volume Characterized Last 20 Dredging Years



## Suitable vs Unsuitable Last 20 Dredging Years



## Ongoing and Proposed Characterizations (*proposed disposal site for suitable material*)

### Permitted Projects

- TOTE Maritime (*Commencement Bay*)
- Vancouver Boat Launch (*Columbia River Flowlane*)
- Nippon Dynawave (*Columbia River Flowlane*)
- Sandy Hook Marina (*Port Gardner*)
- Anchor Cove Marina (*Rosario Strait*)
- Meydenbauer Bay Yacht Club (*Elliott Bay*)
- Port of Tacoma, PCT (*Commencement Bay*)
- Duwamish Yacht Club (*Elliott Bay*)
- Camas Slough (*Columbia River Flowlane*)
- Port of Bellingham Squalicum Harbor (*Rosario Strait*)

### Federal Projects

- USACE Duwamish (*Elliott Bay*)
- USACE Quillayute (*local BU*)
- USACE Swinomish Channel (*Rosario Strait*)
- USACE Grays Harbor (*Pt Chehalis and South Jetty Dispersive sites; Half Moon Bay and South Beach BU*)
- US Navy PSNS (*Elliott Bay*)

Characterization  
issues

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Vibracores: poor  
penetration and recovery

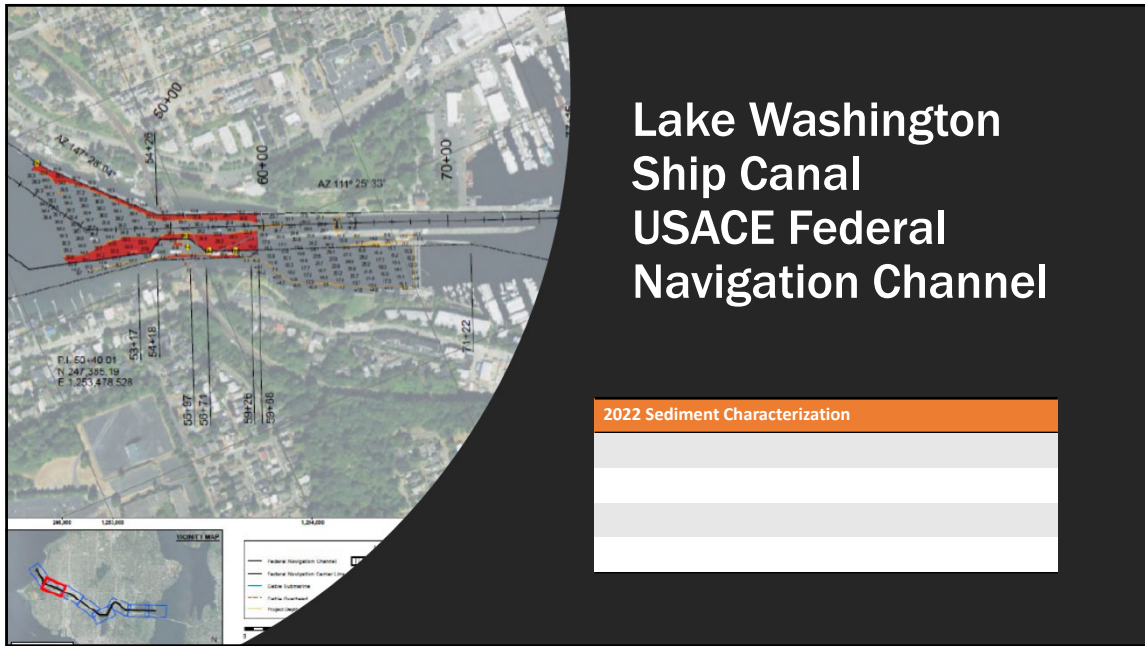
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Laboratory Turn-Around-  
Times

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Biological Test Species  
Availability





# Sampling and Analysis Summary

**DMMU 1:**  
83/64% recovery  
Shell hash, wood debris, sulfide odor at top

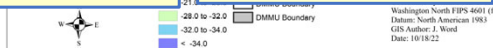
**DMMU 2:**  
62/52% recovery  
Shell hash, sand, sulfide odor at depth, refusal on wood debris  
Z-sample from one core only: 0-0.1 ft

**DMMU 3/4:**  
78/78% recovery  
Silty sand with shells, organic, sulfide odor throughout  
Z-sample from one core only: 0-1.5 ft.

**DMMU 5/6:**  
80/69% recovery  
Sandy shell hash at top. Wood debris, sulfide and petroleum odor at bottom of 05/06-b  
Z-sample from one core only: 0-0.5 ft

- Shell hash and sulfide odor throughout
- Wood debris throughout
- Petroleum odor at bottom of core 05/06-b
- Challenges meeting % recovery
- Incomplete z-sample collection
- No second z-sample collected
- Representativeness unclear
- Analytical results delayed
- Bioassays analyzed on all 7 DMMUs
- Majority of data J-flagged due to holding time exceedances

**DMMU 7:**  
41/59% recovery  
Shell & sand, sulfide odor and wood debris at bottom  
Z-sample from one core only: 0-0.7 ft



## Characterization Results

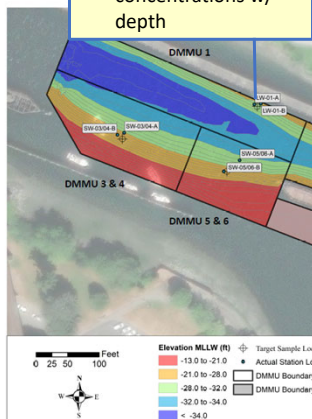
**DMMU 1:**

- Bioassays triggered
- Increasing concentrations w/ depth

### Summary of exceedances

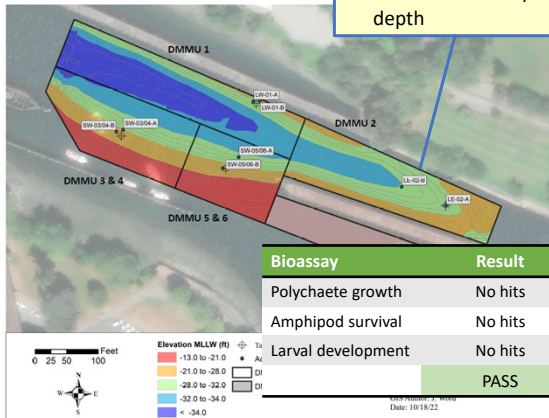
Parameter	DMMU 1	Z sample (DMMU)	Z sample (SMS)
Acenaphthene			SCO
Fluorene			SCO
Fluoranthene	SL	SL	SCO
Pyrene	SL	SL	
Benz(a)anthracene		SL	SCO
Chrysene	SL	SL	SCO
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene			SCO
Total Benzo(a)fluoranthenes		SL	SCO
Benzo(a)pyrene		SL	SCO
Ideno(1,2,3-c-d)pyrene	SL	SL	SCO
Total HPAHs	SL 16,800 ug/kg	SL 23,140 ug/kg	SCO
Dibenzofuran			SCO
Dieldrin	SL		
Total PCBs	SL		
Total Chlordane	SL/U	SL/U	

Bioassay	Result
Amphipod survival	No hits
Larval development	No hits
	PASS



# Characterization Result

- DMMU 2:**
- Bioassays triggered
  - Increasing concentrations w/ depth

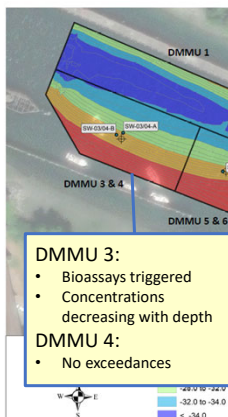


Bioassay	Result
Polychaete growth	No hits
Amphipod survival	No hits
Larval development	No hits
	<b>PASS</b>

## Summary of exceedances

Parameter	DMMU 2	Z sample (DMMP)	Z sample (SMS)
Phenanthrene		SL	SCO
Fluoranthene	SL	<b>BT</b>	SCO
Pyrene		SL	
Benzo(a)anthracene		SL	SCO
Chrysene		SL	SCO
Total Benzo(a)fluoranthenes		SL	SCO
Benzo(a)pyrene		SL	SCO
Ideno(1,2,3-c-d)pyrene		SL	<b>CSL</b>
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene		SL	SCO
Benzo(g,h,i)perylene		SL	SCO
Total HPAHs		SL	SCO
1,2-Dichlorobenzene		SL/U	
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene		SL/U	<b>CSL/U</b>
Hexachlorobenzene		SL/U	<b>CSL/U</b>
2,4-Dimethylphenol		SL/U	<b>CSL/U</b>
Benzyl alcohol		SL/U	SCO/U
Benzoic acid		<b>ML/U</b>	<b>CSL/U</b>
Hexachlorobutadiene		SL/U	
N-		SL/U	

# Characterization Results



- DMMU 3:**
- Bioassays triggered
  - Concentrations decreasing with depth
- DMMU 4:**
- No exceedances

## Summary of exceedances

Parameter	DMMU 3	DMMU 4	Z sample (DMMP)	Z sample (SMS)
Fluorene	SL			
Pyrene	SL			
Benzo(a)pyrene	SL			
Ideno(1,2,3-c-d)pyrene	SL			
Total HPAHs	SL 15,000 ug/kg			
4,4'-DDT	SL/U			
Total Chlordane	SL/U			
Hexachlorobenzene				SCO/U

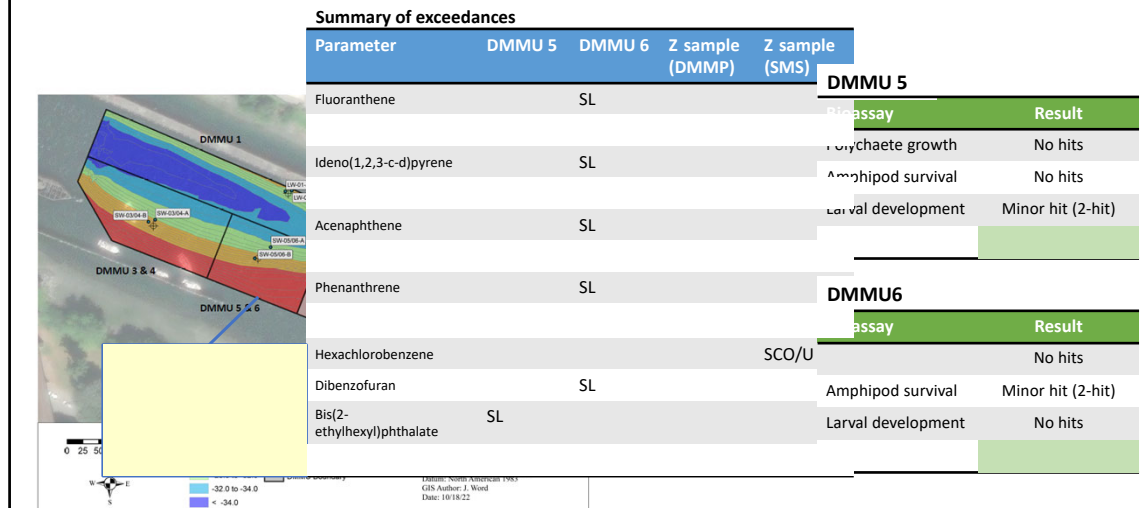
## DMMU 3

Bioassay	Result
Polychaete growth	No hits
Amphipod survival	No hits
Larval development	No hits
	<b>PASS</b>

## DMMU 4

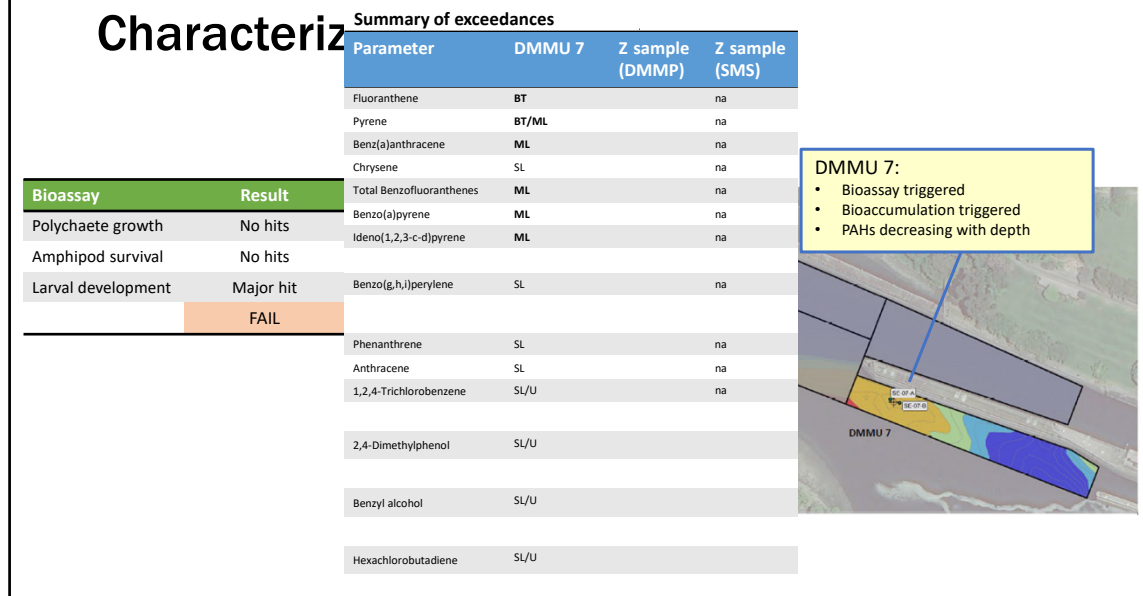
Bioassay	Result
Polychaete growth	No hits
Amphipod survival	No hits
Larval development	No hits
	<b>PASS</b>

# Characterization Results



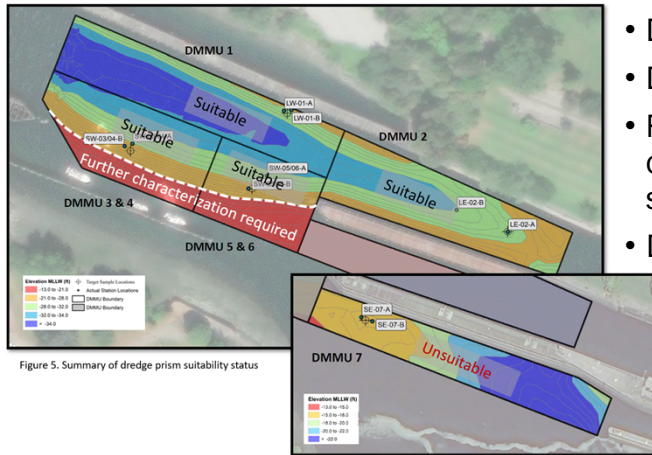
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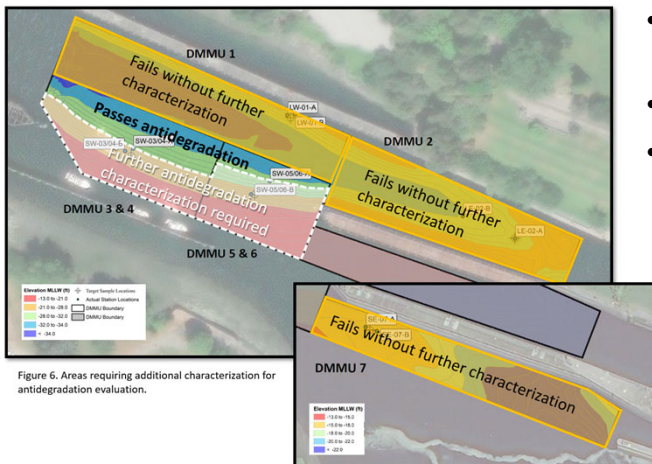


## Suitability Determination



- DMMUs 1 and 2 suitable
- DMMUs 3-6 suitable as shown
- Red shoaled area needs further characterization to determine suitability
- DMMU 7 is unsuitable

## Antidegradation Determination



- DMMUs 1 and 2 fail – needs further characterization
- DMMUs 3-6 suitable as shown
- White outlined area needs further characterization to determine suitability and antidegradation
- DMMU 7 needs further characterization



## Programmatic Updates

Puget Sound Sediment Reference Material


Laboratory Accreditation

Environmental Information Management

Over-dredging (Laura Inouye, Ecology)

Photo: Dredging on the Snohomish  
Courtesy of JE McAnnis, Inc.





**PUGET SOUND SEDIMENT REFERENCE MATERIAL (SRM)  
REQUEST FORM**

**TO REQUEST PUGET SOUND SRM, PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND SEND IT TO:**  
USEPA Region 10 SRM Manager  
Attn: Mr. Raymond C. Wu  
1200 Sixth Avenue  
Mail Code: OERA-14-D12  
Seattle, WA 98101  
Phone: (206) 553-1413  
Email: [wu.raymond@epa.gov](mailto:wu.raymond@epa.gov)

**Special Instructions:**

Analytical Fraction:  
☐ Dioxins/Furans    ☐ CB Congeners    ☐ Aroclors

**NOTE: PUGET SOUND SRM WILL BE SHIPPED OVERNIGHT. REQUESTS PROCESSED WITHIN 2 WEEKS, PLEASE PLAN AHEAD!**

Date of Request: \_\_\_\_\_ Project/Site Name/Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date SRM Needed: \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. of Bottles Requested: \_\_\_\_\_ FedEx / UPS Acct #: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: PUGET SOUND SEDIMENT REFERENCE MATERIAL IS PACKAGED IN GLASS BOTTLES CONTAINING 30 GRAMS OF MATERIAL.**

Ship SRM, SRM request form, and Chain-of-Custody form with sample numbers to:  
 Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Laboratory Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Send copies of the SRM request form and Chain-of-Custody form with sample numbers to:  
 Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No.: \_\_\_\_\_

**For EPA Region 10 Manchester Laboratory Use Only**  
 No. of Samples Shipped: \_\_\_\_\_ Shipped By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Shipping Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Airtail No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 COC No.: \_\_\_\_\_

As an authorized agency requestor, I certify that the Puget Sound SRM requested is to be used for USEPA Region 10 approved activities only.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Authorized Agency: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_


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## Puget Sound Sediment Reference Material (PS-SRM)

- Regionally relevant SRM for dioxins/furans and CB congeners
- 2,525 remaining bottles now at EPA Manchester lab
- Allow 2 weeks for processing – plan ahead!
- Not required for all projects – see DMMP User Manual
- EPA obtained \$\$\$ to recalculate acceptance limits for dioxins/furans and Aroclors
- For questions or data submittal, contact Raymond Wu, EPA Region 10 SRM Manager ([wu.raymond@epa.gov](mailto:wu.raymond@epa.gov))
  - Include project name in subject line

**Please:**

- Submit data!
- Record and report bottle number – even if bottle shared or reused.



## A Couple Quick Updates

### Environmental Information Monitoring Database (EIM):

- Results spreadsheet changing as of 28 June 2023
- Adding 4 columns for method blank data for low-level PCB congeners
- DMMP will NOT use blank corrected data**
- Update your templates!

### Laboratory Accreditation:

- Due to long lab turn-around-times, DMMP now accepting data from some labs not accredited by Ecology
- All data must come from NELAP-accredited labs
- Please coordinate with DMMP before using



## Overdredging - Agency responses

Year	contamination issue	Follow up
2008	yes	post-dredge sampling
2015	yes	post-dredge sampling
2019	yes	post-dredge sampling, disposal site sampling
	yes	post-dredge sampling
2020	yes	post-dredge evaluation (memorandum)
	no	bathymetry series
	no	no follow up
	no	bathymetry series
2021	no	bathymetry series
	no	no follow up
2023	no	in progress
	yes	in progress, post-dredge sampling

Responses vary, based on

- Presence of contamination
- Disposal location
- Antidegradation
- Severity of overdredge

Responses can include:

- DNR fines
- Bathymetric survey requirements
- Evaluation of potential antidegradation risks
- Post-dredge sampling
- Disposal site monitoring

Laura Inouye, Ecology

## Overdredging - Prevention

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Careful consideration of overdredge allowances in characterization and permits

Communication with contractors, especially when tight precision required

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Contractor attention to calibration, both horizontal and vertical; have a backup method such as manual lead line

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Caution with 24/7 dredging night-time shifts

Laura Inouye, Ecology



## Overdredging - Follow up

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Progress surveys should be evaluated and when over dredging is suspected, immediate investigation should ensue

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Early notification is beneficial to all parties

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Direct communication with all DMMP agencies

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Laura Inouye, Ecology

## Coming in DY24

Elliott Bay Monitoring  
Finalized Disposal Site Monitoring Plan  
(DSMP)  
Updated User Manual

Photo: Lake Washington Ship Canal





## For more information

- DMMO Website: <https://www.nws.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/Dredging/>
- Email: [CENWS-DMMOTeam@usace.army.mil](mailto:CENWS-DMMOTeam@usace.army.mil)

Photo Courtesy of Brian Hester



Photo-Courtesy of Regina Edwards

## 10. DNR Year in Review

Shannon Soto (DNR)

### Summary

Five site use authorizations were issued for dredging projects in Puget Sound and the Outer Coast. Projects were completed at Shelter Marina, Bellingham Cold Storage, and Terminal 5 by Port of Seattle, as well as the lower settling basin by the Port of Everett. The Port of Grays Harbor also conducted routine maintenance dredging. Revenue from dredging funds the monitoring and management of disposal sites, amounting to approximately \$216,000 this year. Elliot Bay has reached its monitoring trigger and will undergo monitoring using sediment profile imaging, plan view survey, chemistry, and bioaccumulation testing. A passive sampling study will explore the use of sediments as a proxy for bioaccumulation. For further information, visitors can refer to the Army Corps DMMO and DNR websites.

### Discussion

No questions

# SMARM 2023 Year in Review



Shannon Soto, DNR DMMP Program Manager

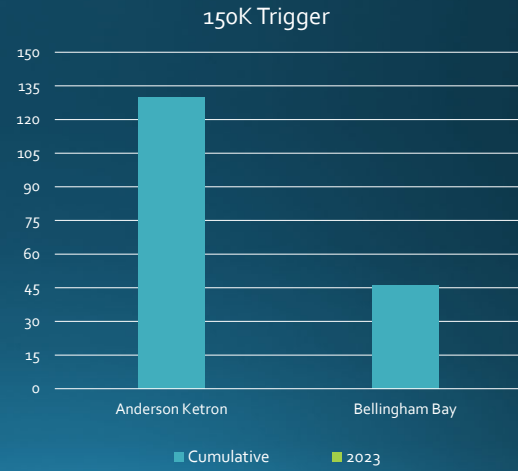
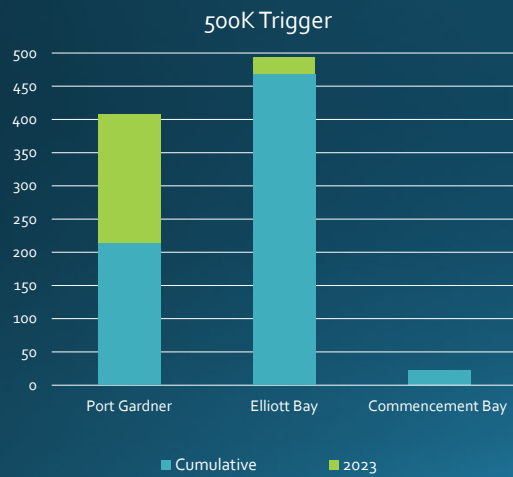
## DY 2023: Site Use Authorization

SUA GRANTEE	DISPOSAL SITE	VOLUME DISPOSED (CY)	REVENUE
Shelter Bay Marina	Rosario	31,169	\$23,377
Bellingham Cold Storage	Rosario	4,206	\$3,155
Port of Seattle Terminal 5	Elliott Bay	24,781	\$32,236 *
Port of Everett Lower Settling Basin	Port Gardner	192,914	\$144,686
Port of Grays Harbor Terminals	Pt. Chehalis	80,926	\$12,139
			<b>\$215,593</b>

\* Includes over dredge disposal fee



# Disposed Volume and Monitoring Triggers



## Elliott Bay Monitoring 2023

Sediment Profile Imaging & Plan View Survey

NuGlobal Solutions (NewFields)

March 7-9

Chemistry & Bioaccumulation

Summer 2023

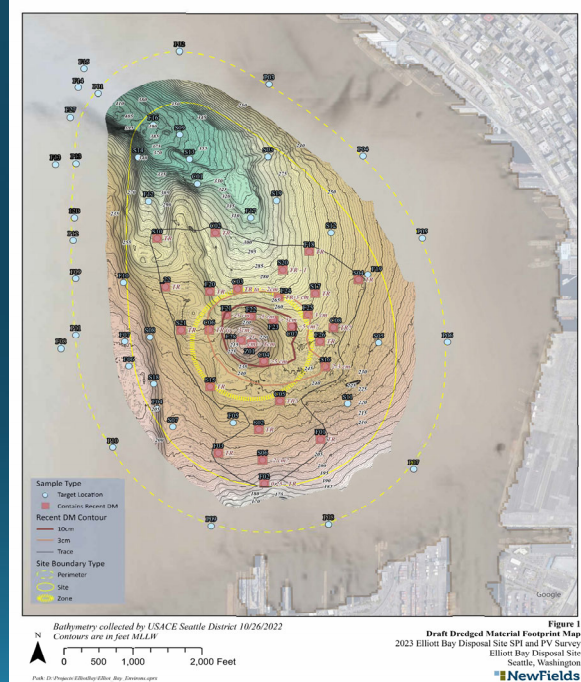
Passive Sampling Study



## Elliott Bay SPI/PV Recent Dredged Material Footprint (draft)

No off-site material

Bulk of material within  
target zone.

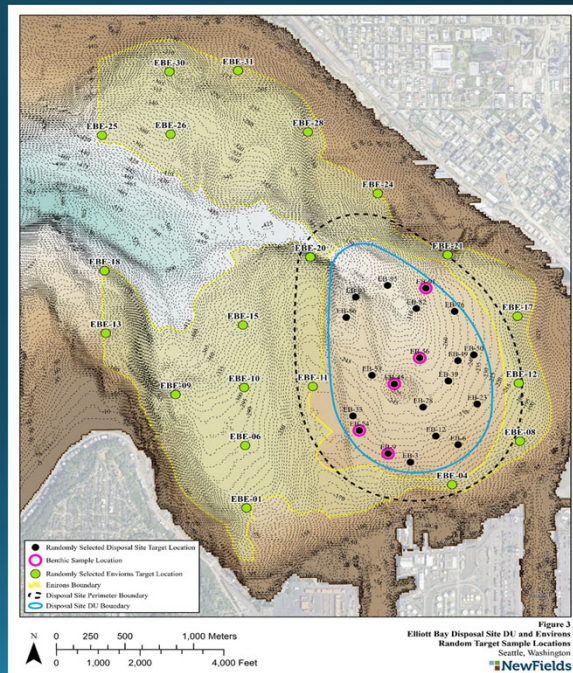


## Chemistry and Bioaccumulation

Five discrete grab samples from  
within the disposal site will be  
collected for chemistry.

Twenty composited samples from  
within the disposal site will be  
collected for bioaccumulation.

Twenty composited samples from  
the environs outside the disposal  
site will be collected for  
bioaccumulation.



## Passive Sampling Study

Ongoing study for an alternative to using live organisms for bioaccumulation.

- Lower costs
- Potential use in sediment where organism survival is in question
- When test species abundance and tissue mass in decline

2020 Port Gardner

Co-exposure with *Alitta virens* & *Macoma nasuta*  
PCBs and Dioxin /Furan  
SPME Fibers

2023 Elliott Bay

No co-exposure with live organisms  
PCBs and Dioxin/Furan  
PE Film



## Information & Resources

<a href="#"><u>USACE DMMO Website</u></a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2021 Biennial Report</li> <li>• 2020 Port Gardner Final Monitoring Report</li> <li>• 2020 Port Gardner Passive Sampling Pilot Study</li> </ul>
<a href="#"><u>DNR DMMP Website</u></a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DNR Disposal Fee Structure</li> <li>• Site Use Authorization</li> <li>• Reporting Forms</li> </ul>

## 11. Development of Elliott Bay Environs for Disposal Site Monitoring

Kelsey van der Elst (USACE)

### Summary

Kelsey van der Elst, USACE, described the approach used by the DMMP to develop the sampling locations for the Elliott Bay Environs Decision Unit for monitoring the Elliott Bay disposal site.

The approach was based on the approach used to develop Environs DU for the Port Gardner pilot monitoring in 2020, and will be documented in the upcoming Disposal Site Monitoring Plan. Briefly, the following parts, or layers, are evaluated and combined to establish the boundary for the Environs sampling area:

- Depths: The Environs area should not include areas 50 ft shallower or 50 ft deeper than the shallowest and deepest, respectively, elevations of the disposal site prior to use as such. For Elliott Bay the environs area should be between -150 to -410 ft MLLW.
- Inner Boundary: A 150 ft buffer around the disposal site and the cumulative footprint of trace dredged material is removed from the environs area to create the center of the donut hole.
- Outer Boundary: Areas less than 500 ft from the shoreline were removed from the Environs area, and a western boundary cutoff was established as a north-south line between Duwamish Head and Smith Cove based on historical boundary between inner and outer Elliott Bay.
- Exclusions: A 250ft buffer around the Denny Way CSO, Pier 55/56 Cap, and the Puget Sound Resources CERCLA cite were established and removed from the Environs area.

A 500m sampling grid was placed over the final Elliott Bay Environs Decision Unit area, creating 31 sampling stations.

### Discussion

No questions



Kelsey van der Elst,  
USACE

and  
Leon Delwiche,  
NewFields

SMARM  
May 3, 2023

# Development of Elliott Bay Environs Decision Unit for DMMP Monitoring

## Updated Monitoring Framework

DMMP Issue Paper

June 10, 2022

### Revised Monitoring Framework for Puget Sound DMMP Non-Dispersive Disposal Sites

Prepared by Laura Inouye (Ecology), Heather Fourie and Joy Dunay (USACE) for the DMMP Agencies

#### Introduction

The Puget Sound Dredged Disposal Analysis (PSDDA) was a comprehensive, multi-year, multi-million-dollar public process in the late 1980s that culminated in an interagency program to oversee dredged material management in Washington State. This Dredged Material Management Program (DMMP) brought together the following agencies with roles in management and regulation of dredged material to streamline project evaluation and disposal: the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Seattle District (USACE), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10 (EPA), the Washington Department of

Table 1-2. Revised Monitoring Framework

Part 1: Routine Monitoring and Testing				
Question	Goal	Metric	Method	Goal Achievement Guideline <sup>3</sup>
1. Does the deposited dredged material stay on site?	A. Dredged material stays within site boundaries	SPI/PV quantitative assessment	Conduct SPI/PV survey of site and surrounding area	< 10 cm at or beyond site boundary OR < 3 cm at or beyond site perimeter
		SPI/PV qualitative assessment	Review SPI/PV parameters including successional stage, apparent redox potential discontinuity, and others	Benthic community shows expected levels of recovery based on historical data
	B. No long-term adverse effects to on-site benthic biological resources and habitat as defined by SCII	Sediment chemistry	Collect 5 individual 0-10 cm samples from stratified random grid within the Disposal Site DU; analyze for benthic DMMP COC list	All COCs ≤ DMMP SL
2. Does deposited dredged material cause unacceptable <sup>1,2</sup> adverse impacts to biological conditions on site?		Sediment bioassays (Tiered)	Run on all samples with any COC > SL	No bioassay toxicity test exhibits a 1-hit (major) response or two 2-hit (minor) responses
		Tier 1 analysis	Review existing on-site bioaccumulation data, project data and other relevant data <sup>4</sup>	Sufficient evidence of no bioaccumulative risk > SCII and SMS
	C. No long-term adverse bioaccumulative risk to on-site resources as defined by SCII and SMS	Laboratory bioaccumulation tests (Tiered)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Composite 20 subsamples from stratified random grid within the Disposal Site DU into a single sample; analyze for sediment chemistry and bioaccumulation</li><li>Composite 20 subsamples from random grid within the Environs DU into a single sample; analyze for sediment chemistry and bioaccumulation</li><li>Analyze sediment and tissue for relevant DMMP List 1 BCOCs</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. SCII: Sediment BCOCs ≤ DMMP BT; Tissue BCOCs ≤ DMMP TTLs</li><li>2. SMS: BCOCs from Disposal Site DU-exposed tissues are ≤ the highest of:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Risk-based values (including relevant TTLs)</li><li>• Background including Environs DU tissue data</li><li>• PGLs if available</li></ul></li></ul>

## General Approach: Layer Cake



Layer 1: Define Depths

Layer 2: Define Inner Boundary

Layer 3: Define Outer Boundary

Layer 4: Define Exclusions

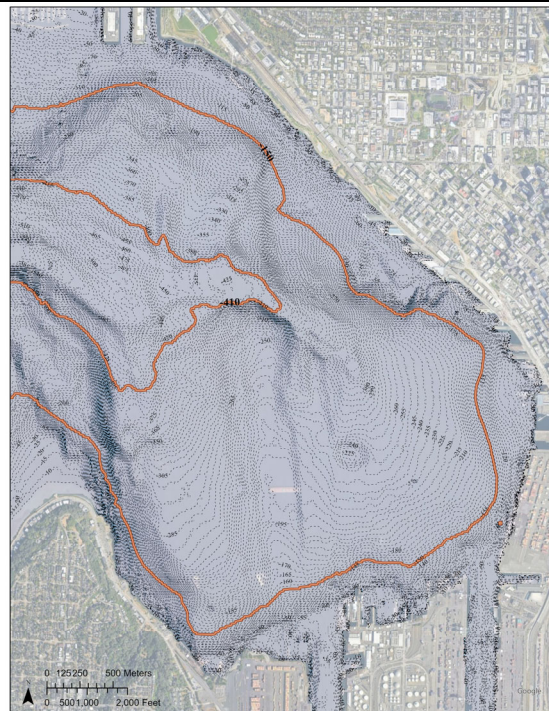
## Layer 1: Depths

+/- 50 ft from original  
elevation

-150 ft to  
-410 ft MLLW

TABLE II.10-1 INFORMATION ON THE PREFERRED AND ALTERNATIVE DISPOSAL SITES

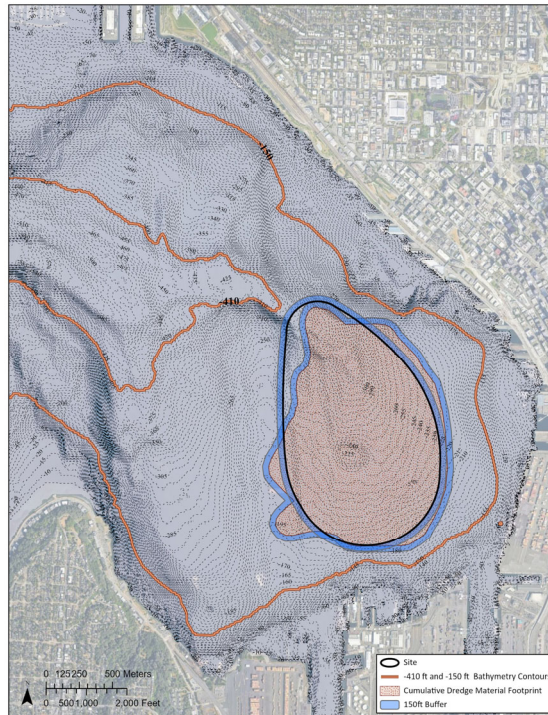
	Latitude	Longitude	Area (acres)	Depth (ft)	Dimensions (ft)
<b>Saratoga Passage</b>					
Alternate	48° 3.43	122° 27.35	318	350	4200
<b>Port Gardner</b>					
Preferred	47° 58.86	122° 16.67	318	420	4200
Alternate	47° 58.26	122° 15.55	373	330-425	3800 x 5833
<b>Elliott Bay*</b>					
Preferred	47° 36.03	122° 21.34	415	200-360	6200 x 4000
Alternate	47° 37.09	122° 24.85	480	500-600	4500 x 6000
<b>Commencement Bay</b>					
Preferred	47° 18.22	122° 27.84	310	540-560	4600 x 3800
Alternate	47° 18.72	122° 27.93	310	540-560	4600 x 3800



## Layer 2: Inner Boundary

150 ft buffer:

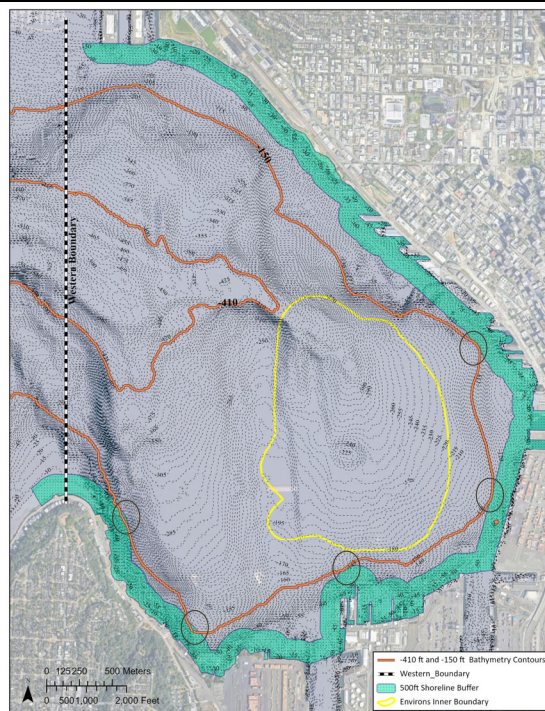
- Disposal site
- Cumulative dredged material footprint



## Layer 3: Outer Boundary

500 ft shoreline buffer

Western edge cutoff

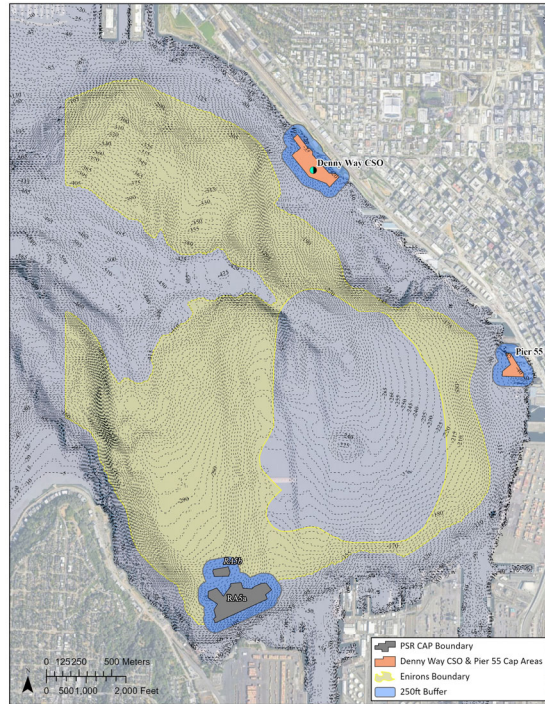




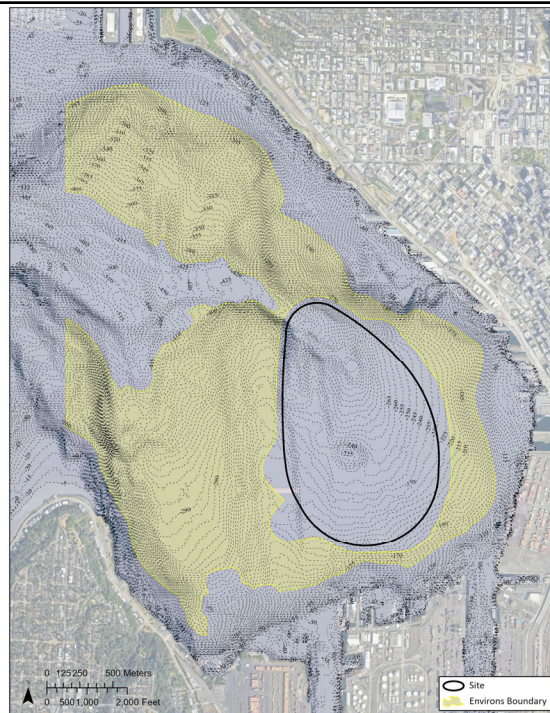
## Layer 4: Exclusions

250 ft buffer

- Puget Sound Resources
- Denny Way CSO
- Pier 55/56



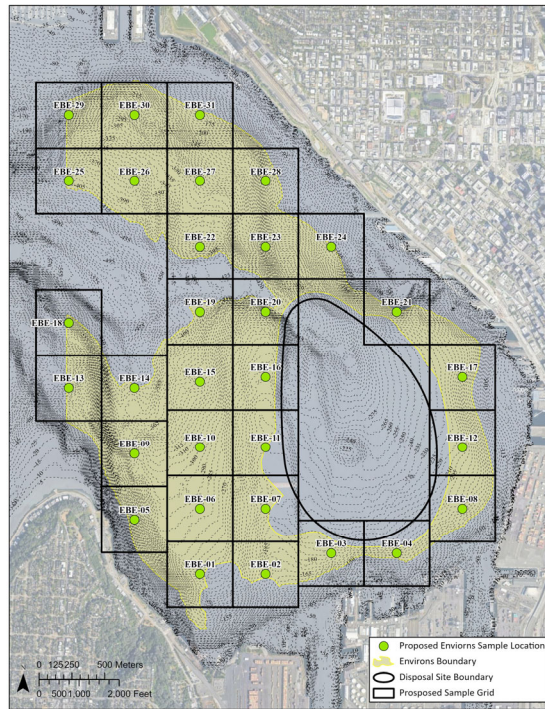
## Elliott Bay Enviros Decision Unit





# EB Environs Sampling Grid

500m grid  
31 stations



Questions?



Port Gamble site visit, circa 2014

# Thank You Lauran!!!



Fish rescue at LWSC, 2021



Dave Kendall's retirement, 2013

## Please stay for cake



Dave Fox's retirement, 2020

## Appendix A. Meeting Announcement

YOU ARE INVITED:

# 35<sup>TH</sup> SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REVIEW MEETING

MAY 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2023 • 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM

FEDERAL CENTER SOUTH  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

## Topics will include:

- Sediment PCB Cleanup Remedy Effectiveness
- Food Web Cycling of PCBs in Elliott Bay
- Special Session on Beneficial Use of Dredged Material
- DMMP Sediment Characterizations: Laboratory Challenges and New Technologies
- Development of Elliott Bay Environs Sampling Grid for DMMP Monitoring

RSVP for in-person attendance is requested to get a head count. Click e-mail link below to RSVP.

[CENWS-DMMOTeam@usace.army.mil](mailto:CENWS-DMMOTeam@usace.army.mil)

If you can't make it in person, virtual attendance is available, registration is required. Click below to register

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## Appendix B. Agenda



## 35<sup>th</sup> Sediment Management Annual Review Meeting Agenda

May 3, 2023

**In-Person Meeting at the USACE Seattle District Office (RSVP to DMMO Team email below)**

<b>8:30 am</b>	Arrival and Check-in	All times given in PDT; Q&A period included for each presentation
<b>MORNING SESSION</b>		
<b>9:00 am</b>	Welcome and Logistics	Joy Dunay, USACE and Justine Barton, EPA
<b>9:05 am</b>	Sediment PCB Cleanup Remedy Effectiveness: Case Study Synthesis	Clay Patmont, Anchor QEA
<b>9:35 am</b>	The Potential Impact of PCBs From a Local Source (e.g., a CERCLA Site) on a Broader, Basin-Wide Ecosystem Scale	Jim West, WDFW
<b>10:20 am</b>	<b>Break</b>	
<b>10:30 am</b>	Welcome Message from Seattle District Commander	Colonel Xander Bullock, USACE
<b>10:35 am</b>	Toxics Cleanup Program Update: Sediment policy, guidance, legislative session, and budget	Chance Asher, Ecology
<b>10:50 am</b>	Seattle District Beneficial Use in Action	Amy Reese and John Hicks, USACE
<b>11:15 am</b>	Snohomish Estuary Beneficial Use Opportunities	Laura Gurley and Erik Gerking, Port of Everett; Larry Lehman, Grette Associates
<b>11:45 am</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
<b>AFTERNOON SESSION</b>		
<b>1:00 pm</b>	Novel 3D Printed Structures: Isolate Contaminant Effects in Complex Mixtures for Toxicity Reduction Evaluations	Alan Kennedy, USACE ERDC
<b>1:20 pm</b>	Current Challenges for Sediment Characterization Projects – Panel Discussion	EcoAnalysts and ARI (moderated by Regina Edwards)
<b>2:05 pm</b>	2022 Shoalwater Bay Barrier Dune Repair: Incorporating Natural and Nature-Based Features to Reduce Flood/Erosion Risk While Maintaining Critical Shorebird Habitat	Dave Michalsen, USACE
<b>2:25 pm</b>	<b>Break</b>	
<b>2:40 pm</b>	DMMP Highlights for Dredging Year 2023	Lauran Warner, USACE
<b>2:55 pm</b>	DNR Year in Review	Shannon Soto, DNR
<b>3:05 pm</b>	Development of Elliott Bay Environs for Disposal Site Monitoring	Kelsey van der Elst, USACE
<b>3:30 pm</b>	<b>Closing remarks and adjourn</b>	Joy Dunay, USACE and Justine Barton, EPA

**Webex Meeting also available (Register [here](#))**

Comments on SMARM and Issue Papers accepted through June 2, 2023  
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<b>Julia Levensgood</b>	EcoAnalysts	<b>Kasey Skrivseth</b>	Enthalpy Analytical
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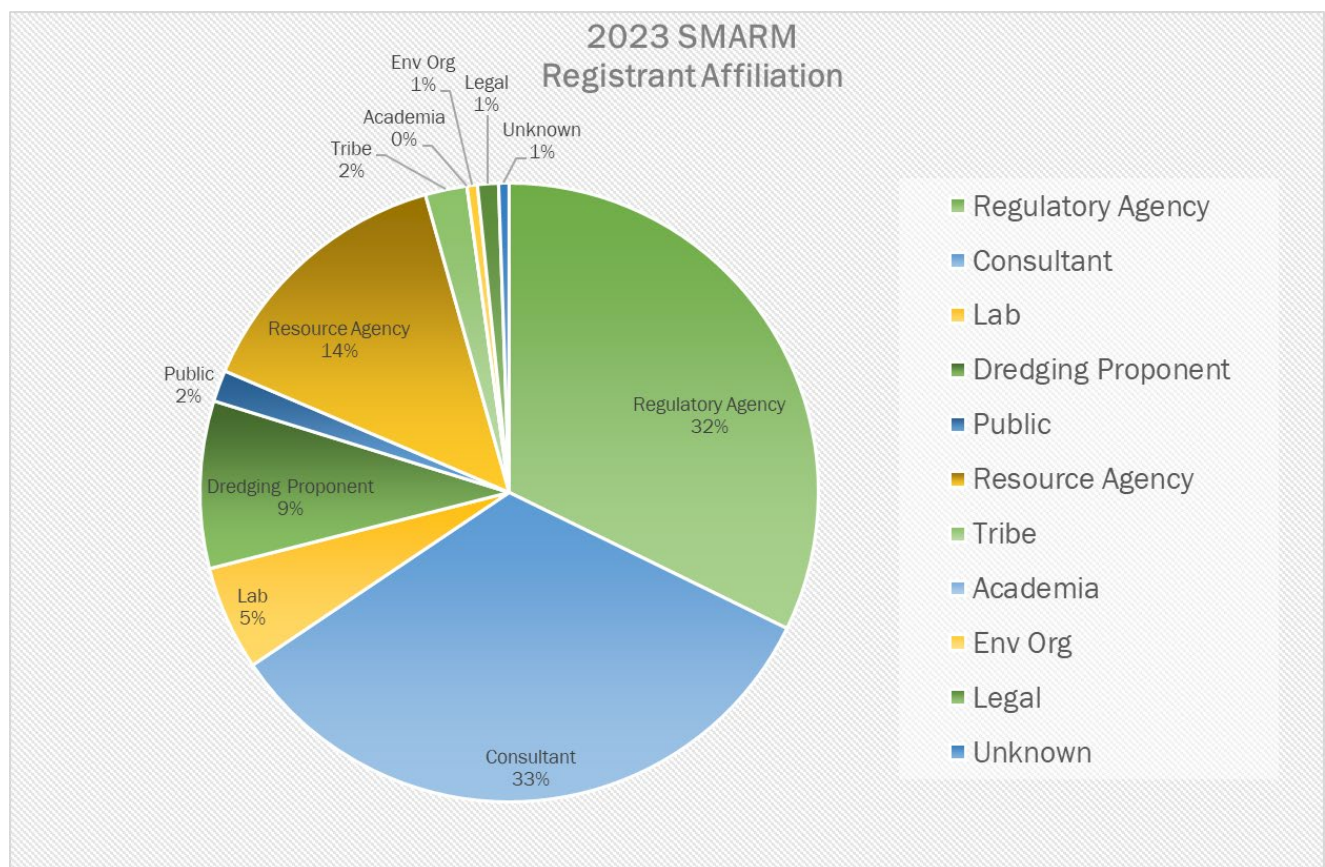
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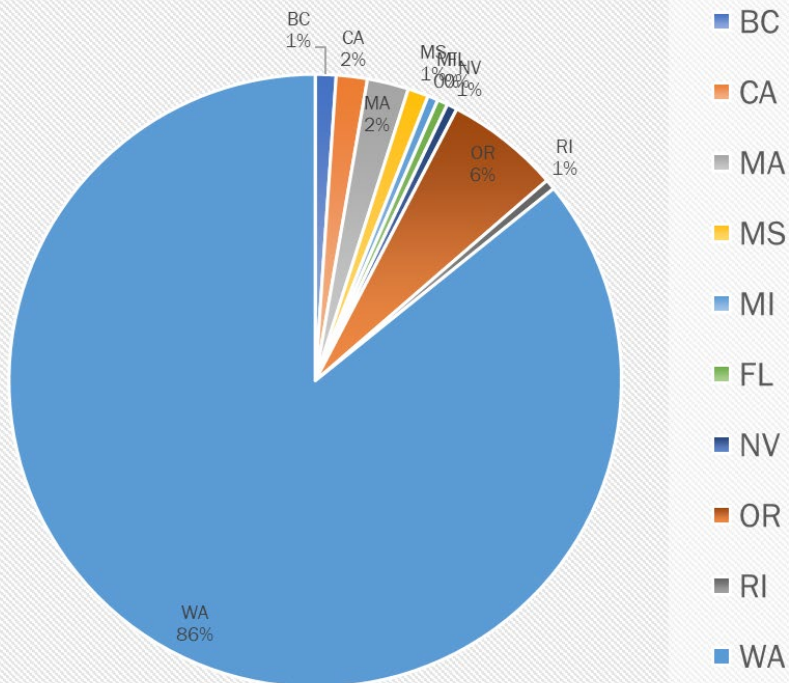
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