



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY GENERAL ORDER WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR

SACRAMENTO DEEP WATER SHIP CHANNEL MAINTENANCE DREDGING ACTIVITIES

CHANNEL MILE 0.0 TO 43.4

ORDER 5-01-116

UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND PORT OF WEST SACRAMENTO 2016 SACRAMENTO DEEP WATER SHIP CHANNEL MAINTENANCE DREDGING PROJECT CONTRA COSTA, SACRAMENTO, SOLANO, AND YOLO COUNTIES

On 27 July 2016, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Discharger) submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) requesting coverage under General Order Waste Discharge Requirements for the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel Maintenance Dredging Activities Channel Mile 0.0 to 43.4, Order 5-01-116 (General Order) as amended by Resolution No. R5-2013-0117 for annual maintenance dredging in the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel (DWSC). After reviewing the NOI submitted by the Discharger, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) has determined that the project qualifies for enrollment under this General Order.

The Discharger is hereby assigned 5-01-116-001-0001. Please include this number on all correspondence related to this discharge.

A copy of the General Order is enclosed. You can also find the General Order on the Central Valley Water Board's website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/

The project must proceed in accordance with the requirements contained in this Notice of Applicability, General Order, and NOI application package. Coverage under this General Order is no longer valid if the project (as described in this Notice of Applicability and the NOI application package) is modified.

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The 2016 Sacramento DWSC Maintenance Dredging Project (Project) will dredge the Sacramento DWSC to a depth of 30 feet (plus two-foot allowable overdredge) for navigation of ship traffic to the Port of Sacramento. The Discharger will conduct dredging and dredge material disposal activities at the following seven (7) reaches and dredge material disposal (DMD) sites as described in Table 1.

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Table 1: Dredging and Placement Sites

Reach	Approximate River Mile		Station (ft)		Placement Site	Amount of Dredge
Neach	From To From To		Flacement Site	Material (cubic yards)		
1	4.55	6.06	240.00	320.00		50,646
2	6.25	6.82	330.00	360.00	Decker Island	12,703
3	7.01	7.48	370.00	395.00	Decker Island	2,484
4	7.39	7.86	390.00	415.00		1,864
5	9.09	9.47	480.00	500.00		3,587
6	12.10	12.69	639.00	670.00	Rio Vista	2,298
7	12.76	13.31	672.00	703.00		6,308
					TOTAL	79,890

Dredged material will be removed by hydraulic cutter head suction dredge, or with suction dredge (when dredging within 50 feet of utility crossings), and transported by pipeline for placement into the dredged material placement (DMP) sites listed above, which are authorized for use under the General Order. Clamshell dredging may be employed in limited cases where access is restricted or debris is too large for hydraulic dredging.

APPROXIMATE TIME FRAME OF PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION:

27 August 2016 to 31 October 2016

PROJECT LOCATION:

Start: Latitude: 38.086555°; Longitude: -121.7488441° Latitude: 38.161767°; Longitude: -121.681838°

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS:

Dredged Material Placement Sites

- 1. Dredged material is authorized to be reused in locations in which the Port of Sacramento and/or United States Army Corp of Engineers has demonstrated to the Central Valley Water Board that depth-to-groundwater, background soil conditions, distance from surface waters, and/or foundation soil attenuation capacity, are sufficient, with a conservative margin of error, to ensure that no adverse impacts to ground or surface waters will occur. Dredged material may not be reused, without prior authorization, in locations where direct hydraulic connections or direct contact with surface waters may occur. Dredged material may not be reused, without prior authorization, in sensitive ecological areas, such as wetlands.
- 2. For all reuse activities undertaken according to this Notice of Applicability, in which a separate NOI has not been submitted, the Discharger shall provide the Central Valley Water Board a written notice of the following:

- 1) Quantity of dredged material removed from DMD site for reuse;
- 2) Dates of transfer of material;
- 3) Location of reuse;
- 4) Name of contractor;
- 5) Copy of signed contract/manifest for removal of dredged material;
- 6) Copy of Dredged Material Reuse Agreement signed by end-user which states agreement to all conditions of reuse specified in this Notice of Applicability.

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3. Notice of reuse of dredged material shall be provided in writing to the Board within 30 days of removal from the DMD sites.

Direct beneficial use of dredged material at placement sites other that the DMD sites listed above may be authorized after review and approval by the Central Valley Water Board staff.

Special Studies, Technical Reports, and Additional Monitoring Requirements

1. In addition to the required Receiving Water Monitoring for the DMD Site Discharge described in Monitoring and Reporting Program 5-01-116 and amended by Resolution No. R5-2013-0117, the Discharger shall monitor for the constituents of concern in Table 2.

Table 2: Receiving Water Monitoring for the DMD Site Discharge

Parameter	Units	Sample Type	Minimum Sampling Frequency	Required Analytical Test Method
Mercury	ng/L	24-hour Composite ^d	1x when discharging	a,c
Mercury (methyl)	ng/L	24-hr Composite ^d	1x when discharging	a,c
Specific Conductance	µmhos/cm	24-hour Composite ^d	1x when discharging	
Chloride	mg/L	24-hour Composite ^d	1x when discharging	
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	24-hour Composite ^d	1x when discharging	а
Biochemical Oxygen Demand (5-day @ 20°C)	mg/L	24-hour Composite ^d	1x when discharging	а
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	24-hour Composite ^d	1x when discharging	а
Ammonia Nitrogen, Total (as N)	mg/L	24-hour Composite ^d	1x when discharging	a, b

Constituent shall be analyzed using the analytical methods described in 40 C.F.R. part 136 or by methods requested by the Discharger that have been approved the Central Valley Water Board or the State Water Board.

b. pH and temperature shall be recorded at the time of ammonia sample collection.

C. Unfiltered methyl mercury and total mercury samples shall be taken using clean hands/dirty hands procedures, as described in U.S. EPA method 1669: Sampling Ambient Water for Trace Metals at EPA Water Quality Criteria Levels, for collection of equipment blanks (section 9.4.4.2), The analysis of methyl mercury and total mercury shall be by U.S. EPA method 1630 and 1631 (Revision E), respectively, with a reporting limit of 0.05 ng/L for methyl mercury and 0.5 ng/L for total mercury.

d. Collect composite samples with a minimum of three grab samples combined into each composite sample. Samples shall be taken for analysis for each of the constituents listed above.

Grab samples shall be taken at two depths: (1) five feet below the surface of the receiving water; and (2) approximately 2/3 of the distance to the bottom. The two grab samples from each station shall be composited in equal volumes resulting in one sample from each station for analysis. Water samples shall be taken from the following stations:

Station Description Upcurrent of the discharge location and undisturbed by the effluent discharge from the DMD site, not to exceed 300 feet from the point of discharge. R-4 300 feet downstream or at the edge of an approved mixing zone.

2. The Discharger shall minimize methylmercury concentrations in ponded water by implementing, to the extent feasible, best management practices. Minimizing the occurrences of organic carbon sources and vegetation at placement ponds is one of the identified best management practices.

These best management practices are evaluated and supported by the Central Valley Water Board's multi-year coordinated study, in cooperation with the United States Army Corps of Engineers, which investigated the potential for mercury methylation to occur in hydraulic slurry dredging ponds.

- 3. Mixing Zone Study. This Notice of Applicability does not approve a mixing zone at this time. The Discharger shall conduct a mixing zone study for the discharges from the DMD sites to the Sacramento River. A work plan and schedule for conducting the study shall be submitted to the Central Valley Water Board within 30 days after initiation of the discharge to the Sacramento River. On the basis of the mixing zone study, the Executive Officer may grant a mixing zone consistent with the provisions of the General Order. The work plan should include:
 - a. a description of the parameters collected for data;
 - b. a description of historical parameter data used;
 - c. a map and description of the sampling locations (i.e., site name, site ID, latitude, and longitude);
 - d. a description of the sampling preparation, equipment calibration and testing, and mixing zone equipment;
 - e. a description of the sample collection methods:
 - f. a description of sample handling and custody;
 - g. a description of the model used in the analysis;
 - h. a sensitivity analysis;
 - i. the critical parameters that impact the analysis (e.g., river flow, river stage, tidal influence, effluent temperature, flow rate, and wind speed);
 - j. a description of the field verification of the model; and
 - k. the results of the model verification.

The mixing zone study shall be completed and submitted to the Central Valley Water Board with the 2017 Notice of Intent for the annual maintenance dredging activity.

Under the Policy for Implementation of Toxics Standards for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries of California (SIP):

"A mixing zone shall be as small as practicable. The following conditions must be met in allowing a mixing zone:

A: A mixing zone shall not:

- 1. compromise the integrity of the entire water body;
- 2. cause acutely toxic conditions to aquatic life passing through the mixing zone:
- 3. restrict the passage of aquatic life;
- adversely impact biologically sensitive or critical habitats, including, but not limited to, habitat of species listed under federal or State endangered species laws;
- 5. produce undesirable or nuisance aquatic life;
- 6. result in floating debris, oil, or scum;
- 7. produce objectionable color, odor, taste, or turbidity;
- 8. cause objectionable bottom deposits;
- 9. cause nuisance;
- 10. dominate the receiving water body or overlap a mixing zone from different outfalls; or
- 11. be allowed at or near any drinking water intake. A mixing zone is not a source of drinking water. To the extent of any conflict between this determination and the Sources of Drinking Water Policy (Resolution No. 88-63), this SIP supersedes the provisions of that policy."
- 4. SWAMP guidelines shall be followed for the collection of samples for quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) evaluation (e.g., field duplicates, travel blanks, and matrix spike/matrix spike duplicate samples), except for the number of travel blanks, which, instead of one per cooler, shall be one per sample site, plus one additional random travel blank taken during the sampling period.
- 5. The Discharger shall summarize data from the Self Monitoring Reports and Annual Report in an Excel format.

Dredging operations and the subsequent disposal of dredge material of the reaches described are authorized under General Order 5-01-116 and as by Resolution No. R5-2003-0117. The Project activities shall be operated in accordance with the requirements of the General Order Waste Discharge Requirements and Monitoring and Reporting Program 5-01-116 as revised by Resolution No. R5-2003-0117, Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirements, dated 1 March 1991, and with the information submitted in the Notice of Intent. Central Valley Water Board staff shall be notified immediately if any nuisance or detriment to receiving waters is observed during

the Project activities. Failure to abide by the conditions of the General Order may result in an enforcement action as authorized by provisions of the California Water Code.

Upon Project completion, please notify the Central Valley Water Board so that a Notice of Termination may be issued. If you have any questions regarding this Notice of Applicability, contact Dr. Philip Giovannini at (916) 464-4812 or at Phillip.Giovannini@waterboards.ca.gov.

Original Signed by Adam Laputz for

Pamela C. Creedon Executive Officer

Enclosures:

Attachment A - California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, Order 5-01-116, General Order Waste Discharge Requirements for the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel Maintenance Dredging Activities Channel Mile 0.0 to 43.4

Attachment B - California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, Resolution No. R5-2003-0117, Amending Waste Discharge Requirements for the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel Maintenance Dredging Activities Channel Mile 0.0 to 43.4 and Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel Maintenance Dredging Activities Channel Mile 0.0 to 15.0

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ATTACHMENT A

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FOR

UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND
PORT OF SACRAMENTO
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General Order Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 5-01-116 for the above named discharger were adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, on 11 May 2001.

If you have any questions, please contact Donna Podger at (916) 255-1872.

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Enclosure

Adopted Order

Adopted Monitoring and Reporting Program

Standard Provisions (Discharger only)

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List attached

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CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

ORDER NO. 5-01-116

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS GENERAL ORDER

FOR UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND THE PORT OF SACRAMENTO SACRAMENTO DEEP WATER SHIP CHANNEL MAINTENANCE DREDGING ACTIVITIES CHANNEL MILE 0.0 TO 43.4 CONTRA COSTA, SACRAMENTO, SOLANO AND YOLO COUNTIES

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, (hereafter Board) finds that:

- 1. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) and the Port of Sacramento (Port), hereafter jointly referred to as Discharger, have been performing annual maintenance dredging of the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel (Channel) under General Order Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Order Number 88-143. Order Number 88-143 is neither adequate nor consistent with current plans and policies of the Board. This Order updates Order 88-143 to reflect changes in constituents of concern, water quality standards, constituents on the Clean Water Act Section 303(d) list of impaired water bodies, and mixing zone policies.
- 2. The maintenance dredging activities regulated in this Order include disposal or discharge of dredged sediments into diked disposal sites on land (Dredged Material Disposal sites), discharges of effluent from the Dredged Material Disposal (DMD) sites into surface water, pre-dredge sampling, and water quality monitoring during dredging operations.
- 3. Under this General Order WDR, maintenance dredging is defined as maintenance of the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel (Channel) to a depth of 30 feet (plus two-foot allowable overdredge) for navigation of ship traffic to the Port of Sacramento. Maintenance dredging also includes a section of 35-foot depth from the Port of Sacramento to River Mile (RM) 35, which was deepened in a previous project. This Order is for maintenance dredging activities from the turning basin in the Port of Sacramento at River Mile 43.4, to the western boundary of Region 5 near Collinsville (approximately mile 0 of the Sacramento River's Deep Water Ship Channel). See Attachment "A", incorporated herein and made part of this Order.
- When the Discharger decides that maintenance dredging activities are needed in a specific reach of the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel, the Discharger must

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file a separate Notice of Intent and submit a filing fee to the Regional Board for each proposed maintenance dredging project to be eligible for coverage under this Order. The minimum contents of the Notice of Intent are detailed in Attachment "B", Application Requirements, incorporated herein and made part of this Order.

- 5. The dredging operations primarily involve the use of a pipeline hydraulic suction dredge or a sealed clamshell bucket dredge for maintaining needed depth for navigational access. Clamshell dredging may be used in limited cases where access is restricted or debris is too large for hydraulic dredging.
- 6. Following excavation, a pipeline, barge, or hopper dredge will transport the dredged material slurry for settling and disposal onto one of the DMD sites. See Attachment "A". In the DMD sites, solids settle out and the "effluent" or "return water" is often discharged back into the adjacent surface water by a pump, weir or outfall pipe. The DMD sites are designed to remove a significant portion of suspended material from the effluent, with the maximum allowable Total Suspended Solids (TSS) to be defined in an approved Operation Plan for each disposal site. The disposal site will be designed and operated with guidance provided by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers guidance document "Confined Disposal of Dredged Material". The details of the DMD sites covered under this permit, including capacity, location, property owner, discharge location and receiving water body can be found in Attachment "C".

Table 1: Approved Dredge Material Disposal (DMD) Sites

Site	Owner	Location	Discharge to Water Body
S1	Port of Sacramento	RM 43.4	Sacramento Channel RM 43.4
S-11	Leo Fahn, trustee for	Prospect Island	Sacramento Channel RM 26
	Sylvia et al	RM 23 to 26	
S-12	Port of Sacramento	Prospect Island	Sacramento Channel RM 20
		RM 20	
S-14	US Govt USACE	Grand Island	Steamboat Slough
		RM 14	
S-16	US Govt USACE	Rio Vista	Sacramento River RM 11
		RM 9 to 11	
S-19	Port of Sacramento and	Decker Island	Sacramento River at
	Robert Oppenheimer BBI	RM 6 to 8	Horseshow Bend RM 7
S-20	Department of Water	Augusto Pit,	Sacramento River RM 5
	Resources, State of Calif.	Sherman Is RM 5	
S-31	Port of Sacramento	Yolo bypass	Sacramento Channel between
	×*	RM 27 to 40	RM 27 to 40
S-32	Port of Sacramento	RM 26.0 to 26.5	Sacramento Channel RM 26
S-35	Dow Chemical	RM 1	Sacramento River RM 1

7. The estimated rate of effluent discharge during a typical dredging operation is as follows:

Effluent Average Flow (into receiving water): 9 mgd
Effluent Maximum Flow (into receiving water): 10 mgd

- 8. The DMD sites will fully contain dredged material and prevent any surface runoff or erosion into waters of the state, unless specifically allowed in the NOA. This Order allows surface runoff from the DMD site may if the approved site operation plan has provisions for erosion control and monitoring. After drying, the material may be removed for reuse at other locations. Some reuse options may be restricted in the Notice of Applicability, depending on the quality of the sediment.
- 9. Historically, the Discharger has performed analyses of sediments to be dredged in order to determine the anticipated sediment quality during dredging operations. The sediment constituents and average concentrations found in dredge material in year 2000 maintenance dredging are listed below. Additional testing and lower detection limits will be required for further dredging operations, as described in the attached Monitoring and Reporting Program.

Table 2: Analytical results from year 2000 sediment testing:

		Average	
	(Concentration	
	Solid analysis	DI extraction	Modified elutriate
Constituent	(mg/kg)	$(\mu g/I)$	test (µg/l)
Arsenic	4.1	ND (<1 ppb)	5.1
Chromium VI		ND (<6.1 ppb)	ND (<10 ppb)
Copper	22.5	ND (<100 ppb)	4.1
Lead	5.5	ND (<10 ppb)	1.7 1
Mercury	0.07	ND (<0.5 ppb)	0.011 ppb ¹
Nickel		ND (<50 ppb)	ND (<10 ppb)
Selenium		ND (<30 ppb)	ND (<10 ppb)
Silver		ND (<50 ppb)	ND (<0.1 ppb)
Thallium	0.15	ND (<0.5 ppb)	
Zinc	61.7	ND (<100 ppb)	7.0 1
Tributyltin			ND (<0.02 ppb)
Polyaromatic Hydroca	rbons		
Polychlorinated biphe	nyls		
Organochlorine pestic	ides		

¹ Averages include non-detect values at half the reported detection limit.

10. This Order requires the Discharger to conduct chemical and physical testing of sediments that are representative of the area to be dredged before each maintenance project. The purpose of pre-dredge sediment analysis is to determine if the dredging operation will result in the disposal of dredged sediments that are characterized by constituent concentrations below the maximum concentrations in Table A.3.

- 11. The Board adopted a Water Quality Control Plan, Fourth Edition, for the Sacramento River Basin and the San Joaquin River Basin (hereafter Basin Plan), containing beneficial uses, water quality objectives, and implementation programs for waters of the Basin. These requirements implement the Basin Plan.
- 12. The beneficial uses of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta as identified in Table II-1 of the Basin Plan are: municipal and domestic supply, agricultural uses, industrial process supply, industrial service supply, body contact and other non-body contact recreation, warm and cold freshwater aquatic habitat, warm and cold water fish migration habitat, warm water spawning habitat, wildlife habitat, and navigation.
- The beneficial uses of the ground water are: municipal and domestic supply, agricultural supply, industrial process supply, and industrial service supply.
- 14. The U.S. EPA adopted the California Toxics Rule (CTR) on 18 May 2000, which together with the U.S. EPA National Toxics Rule (NTR), provide enforceable numeric water quality criteria for priority toxic pollutants. The Policy for Implementation of Toxics Standards for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries of California, hereafter referred to as the State Implementation Plan, was adopted in March 2000 by the State Water Board. It provides implementation requirements for the CTR and NTR criteria and was followed as appropriate in the development of this permit. CTR and NTR standards may be incorporated in WDRs to implement the narrative objectives of the Basin Plan.
- 15. The Discharger submitted information about the probable constituents of concern and their concentrations in the dredged material, effluent, and receiving water. The Board finds that the effluent discharges are not likely to cause or contribute to a violation of applicable water quality objectives and CTR/NTR criteria, if the sediment analyses results are at or below concentrations listed in Section A.3 of this Order. When sediment analysis results exceed these concentrations, site-specific studies are needed to assure compliance with applicable water quality objectives and CTR/NTR criteria.
- Dredging operations may cause some degradation to the waters of the State.

 Dredging operations cause only temporary impacts to surface waters, as dredging and effluent discharge occur only a few weeks out of the year. Since the effluent contains only water and sediment that originated in the water body, it does not constitute a new source of pollutants. However, dredging may cause temporary degradation of turbidity, total suspended solids, dissolved oxygen and elevated levels of some constituents. Dredging projects covered under this Order will not exceed any applicable water quality objectives. Maintenance dredging of the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel is necessary to maintain safe navigation to the Port of Sacramento and benefits the people of the State.

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- 17. The effluent discharges are consistent with the antidegradation provisions of 40 CFR 131.12 and SWRCB Resolution 68-16.
- 18. The action to update waste discharge requirements for these DMD facilities is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), in accordance with Title 14, California Code of Regulations (CCR), Section 15301. Annual maintenance dredging activities are exempt from the provisions of the CEQA in accordance with Title 14, CCR, Section 15304(g).
- 19. Pre-dredge testing and site-specific studies (when necessary) provide assurance that dredged sediments will not contain hazardous waste or soluble pollutants at concentrations in excess of applicable water quality objectives and CTR/NTR criteria. The dredge sediments will be classified as Inert Waste as defined in Title 27 Subchapter 2 Section 20230 of the California Code of Regulations. Inert wastes do not need to be discharged at classified waste management units, therefore Title 27 waste discharge requirements are not required for this project. Pursuant to Title 27, Section 20230 of the California Code of Regulations, the Board can prescribe individual or general waste discharge requirements.
- 20. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers have issued a Section 10 permit (Rivers & Harbors Act) for dredging operations and a Clean Water Act Section 404 permit for the discharge of the "effluent" to surface waters. Therefore, these dredging operations are exempt from NPDES regulations, but require a Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification to be issued by the Board. A Section 401 Water Quality Certification will be issued in conjunction with each approved "Notice of Applicability".

PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

21. The following agencies also have jurisdiction over this dredging and disposal project:

California Department of Fish and Game National Marine Fisheries Service United States Fish and Wildlife Service United States Army Corps of Engineers State Lands Commission

- 22. The Board notified the Discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to prescribe waste discharge requirements for this discharge, and provided them with an opportunity for a public hearing and an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.
- The Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the discharge.

24. Any person adversely affected by this action of the Board may petition the State Water Resources Control Board to review the action. The petition must be received by the State Board within 30 days of the date of issuance of this Order. Copies of the law and regulations applicable to filing the petition will be provided on request.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Order No. 88-143 is rescinded and that the Army Corps of Engineers and the Port of Sacramento, their agents, successors, and assigns, in order to meet the provisions of Division 7 of the California Water Code and the regulations adopted thereunder, shall comply with the following:

A. APPLICABILITY

- All dredging discharges covered by this Order shall be limited to maintenance dredging activities associated with the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel as identified in Finding Nos. 2 and 3 above.
- Before the maintenance dredging project can be considered for coverage by this
 order, a complete Notice of Intent (as detailed in Attachment B) and filing fee
 must be submitted to the Regional Board
- 3. The Discharge Applicability Table to follow, establishes sediment concentrations that will not cause exceedances of water quality objectives under general conditions. Sediments with values below the concentrations in Table A.3 may be discharged to DMD sites listed in this Order for maintenance dredging and disposal projects in the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel. If analytical results are above the values listed in Table A.3, the Discharger may submit a technical report describing site-specific factors that could be taken into consideration by the Executive Officer in determining compliance with Section F Provisions of this Order. Section F describes the requirements of the technical report, with additional information also provided in Attachment "D". The discharge of sediments that exceed the concentrations in Table A.3 is considered a violation of this Order unless granted a site-specific exemption.

Part 1 of the Discharge Applicability Table applies to solids analysis and extractable constituents from the pre-dredge sediment analysis. The maximum soluble concentrations in Part 1 are chosen to protect groundwater and surface water beneficial uses from leachate and surface runoff. The values are based on applicable water quality objectives and CTR/NTR criteria. The solid phase maximum concentrations in Part 1 are chosen to protect humans and wildlife from potential exposure to the sediments and their constituents once they are placed in an upland environment. Part 2 of the Discharge Applicability Table applies to pre-dredge analysis of the modified elutriate test, which simulates expected conditions of the effluent from the DMD site and expected conditions near the dredging location. The maximum concentrations in Part 2 are chosen

to protect the receiving water beneficial uses and are based on applicable water quality objectives and CTR/NTR criteria. Detailed information on the values used in this Order is available in the Information Sheet.

- 4. Before commencing pre-dredge sampling and analysis, the Discharger shall have the sampling and analysis plan reviewed and approved by Regional Board Staff. If the Discharger does not receive comments or approval from Board staff within 10 working days, the Discharger may proceed with sampling if the Sampling and Analysis Plan is equivalent to the latest approved Sampling and Analysis Plan.
- 5. If the Executive Officer finds that the proposed discharge qualifies for coverage under this Order, a Notice of Applicability shall be issued to the Discharger. Individual dredging projects are not covered under this Order until issued a Notice of Applicability by the Executive Officer.
- 6. The dredging operations shall use a pipeline hydraulic suction dredge. Clamshell dredging may be used in limited cases where access is restricted or debris is too large for hydraulic dredging. Recent advances in clamshell dredging buckets have produced 'sealed' or 'environmental' buckets, which greatly reduce the amount of turbidity in the water column and the amount of water produced during the dredging operation. This Order allows the use of a sealed bucket and barge for maintenance dredging. Other dredge types may be approved by the Executive Officer upon a demonstration of their ability to meet water quality objectives.

Table A.3

Discharge Applicability Table Part 1: Applicability of sediments for upland disposal

	Max. Concentration	May Concentration of
Constituent	of solids analysis ¹	Max. Concentration of soluble constituents ²
	(dry weight)	
Arsenic	See footnote ³	10.0 μg/l (filtered)
Cadmium	21 mg/kg	5 μg/l (filtered)
Total Chromium	See footnote ³	50 μg/l (filtered)
Chromium VI		11 μg/l (filtered)
Copper	61 mg/kg	10 μg/l (filtered)
Lead	400 mg/kg	$2.5 \mu g/l^4$ (filtered)
Mercury	0.2 mg/kg	0.05 μg/l
Nickel	See footnote ³	52 μg/l ⁴ (filtered)
Selenium	390 mg/kg	5 μg/l
Zinc	120 mg/kg	100 µg/l (filtered)
pH		6.5 - 8.5
Polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAH):	
Acenaphthene	3,700 mg/kg	
Anthracene	22,000 mg/kg	
Benzo(a)anthracene	0.62 mg/kg	
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	0.62 mg/kg	
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	0.61 mg/kg	
Benzo(a)pyrene	0.062 mg/kg	
Chrysene	6.1 mg/kg	
Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene	0.062 mg/kg	
Fluoranthene	2,300 mg/kg	
Fluorene	2,600 mg/kg	
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	0.62 mg/kg	

Soluble concentrations shall be determined using methods specified in the Monitoring and Reporting Program. Soluble metal concentrations are for total recoverable concentrations unless otherwise noted.

Maximum concentration based on chronic aquatic toxicity with a receiving water hardness of 100 mg/l CaCO₃, but will be recalculated based on the CTR and on receiving water hardness determined during predredge analysis or reasonable worst case value.

Maximum concentrations in Table A.3 for solids are based on USEPA Preliminary Remediation Goals (PRG) for ecological or residential use, or background concentrations found in Delta soil. The PRG screening values are based on risk assessment of common exposure pathways in an upland environment. If the solids or soluble concentrations are exceeded, beneficial reuse options may be restricted or the Discharger may submit a technical report as described in Section F.

The mean solids concentration of the sediment shall not exceed the mean solids concentration of background soils from the Delta based on a statistical comparison using an approved Title 27 statistical method.

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Table A.3 (Continued)

Discharge Applicability Table Part 1: Applicability of sediments for upland disposal

Max. Concentration
of solids analysis ¹
(dry weight)

Constituent	(dry weight)		
Naphthalene	56 mg/kg		
Pyrene	2,300 mg/kg		
Polychlorinated Biphenyl	s (PCB):		
Aroclor 1016	3.9 mg/kg		
Aroclor 1221	0.22 mg/kg		
Aroclor 1232	0.22 mg/kg		
Aroclor 1242	0.22 mg/kg		
Aroclor 1248	0.22 mg/kg		
Aroclor 1254	0.22 mg/kg		
Aroclor 1260	0.22 mg/kg		
Organochlorine Pesticide	s:		
Aldrin	0.029 mg/k		

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Aldrin	0.029 mg/kg
Alpha BHC	0.090 mg/kg
Beta BHC	0.032 mg/kg
Gamma BHC (Lindane)	0.44 mg/kg
Chlordane	1.6 mg/kg
4,4-DDD	2.4 mg/kg
4,4-DDE	1.7 mg/kg
4,4-DDT	1.7 mg/kg
Dieldrin	0.011 mg/kg
Endosulfan	370 mg/kg
Endrin	18 mg/kg
Heptachlor	0.11 mg/kg
Heptachlor epoxide	0.052 mg/kg
Hexachlorocylopentadienne	420 mg/kg
Methoxychlor	8 mg/kg
Toxaphene	0.44 mg/kg

Solids concentrations are based on USEPA Preliminary Remediation Goals (PRG) for ecological or residential use, or background Delta soil concentrations. The PRG screening values are based on risk assessment of common exposure pathways in an upland environment. If the solids concentrations are exceeded, beneficial reuse options may be restricted or the Discharger may submit a technical report as described in Section F.

Table A.3 (Continued)

Discharge Applicability Table Part 2: Applicability of sediment elutriate and solids analysis for dredge site impacts and effluent discharges from the disposal site.

	ax. Concentration of solids analysis ^{4,5}	Max. Concentration of
Constituent	(dry weight)	soluble constituents ^{2,4}
Acute or Chronic Toxicity Bioassay		80% survival
Arsenic		10 μg/l (filtered)
Cadmium		5 μg/l (filtered)
Total Chromium		50 μg/l (filtered)
Chromium VI	***	11 μg/l (filtered)
Copper		10 μg/l (filtered)
Lead		$2.5 \mu g/l^{3}$ (filtered)
Mercury		0.05 μg/l
Nickel		$52 \mu g/l^{-3}$ (filtered)
Selenium		5 μg/l
Zinc		100 μg/l (filtered)
pH		6.5-8.5
Specific conductivity (EC)		700 µmhos/cm 6
Total Dissolved Solids(TDS)		450 mg/1 ⁶
Chloride		106 mg/1 ⁶
Ammonia + Ammonium		See footnote 7
BOD		Compare to RW
COD		Compare to RW
Tributyltin		0.063 μg/l
Oil and Grease		5 mg/l

If the elutriate results exceed Table A.3 Part 2 concentrations, then the Discharger may submit a technical report as described in Section F.

The effluent concentration shall not exceed values for EC, TDS or chloride or shall not be above ambient background levels of the receiving water if the receiving water exceeds the values.

Soluble concentrations shall be determined using methods specified in the Monitoring and Reporting Program. Maximum metal concentrations are for total recoverable concentrations unless otherwise noted.

Maximum concentration depends on hardness of receiving water. The number shown is based on a receiving water hardness of 100 mg/l CaCO₃, but will be recalculated based on the CTR and on receiving water hardness determined during predredge analysis, or reasonable worst case value.

Solids concentrations for effluent discharge are based on an assumption of 100 mg/l suspended solids in the effluent. If the concentrations are exceeded, the Discharger may submit a technical report that demonstrates how suspended solids will be reduced so that water quality criteria are not exceeded in the effluent.

Ammonia and ammonium concentrations will be calculated based on the pH and temperature of the receiving water according to the following formula from the California Toxics Rule:

CCC={[0.0577/(1+10^{7.688-pH})] + [2.487/(1+10^{pH-7.688})]} x {MIN[2.85, 1.45x10^{0.028x(25-T)}]}

Table A.3 (Continued)

Discharge Applicability Table Part 2: Applicability of sediment elutriate and solids analysis for dredge site impacts and effluent discharges from the disposal site.

Constituent	Max. Concentration of solids analysis ^{4,5} (dry weight)		Max. Concentration of soluble constituents ^{2,4}	
Polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PA	AH):			
Acenaphthene	12,000 mg/kg	or		1,200 μg/l
Anthracene	96,000 mg/kg	or		9600 μg/1
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	44 μg/kg	or		$0.0044 \mu g/l$
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	44 μg/kg	or		$0.0044 \mu g/1$
Benzo(a)pyrene	44 μg/kg	or		0.0044 µg/1
Chrysene	44 μg/kg	or		0.0044 µg/l
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene	44 μg/kg	or		0.0044 µg/1
Fluoranthene	3,000 mg/kg	or		300 μg/1
Fluorene	13,000 mg/kg	or		1,300 μg/1
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	44 μg/kg	or		0.0044 μg/1
Naphthalene	6,200 mg/kg	or		620 µg/l
Pyrene	9,600 mg/kg	or		960 μg/1
Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCI	B): 1.7 μg/kg (Tota	l sum)	or	0.00017 μg/l
		(Su	m of l	PCBs in elutriate)
Organochlorine Pesticides:				
Aldrin	•			ND ($<0.005 \mu g/l$)
Alpha BHC				ND (<0.01 μg/l)
Beta BHC				ND ($<0.005 \mu g/l$)
Gamma BHC (Lindane)				ND ($<0.02 \mu g/l$)
Chlordane				ND ($<0.1 \mu g/l$)
4,4-DDD				ND ($<0.05 \mu g/l$)

If the elutriate results exceed Table A.3 Part 2 concentrations, then the Discharger may submit a

technical report as described in Section F.

Soluble concentrations shall be determined using methods specified in the Monitoring and Reporting

Solids concentrations for effluent discharge are based on an assumption of 100 mg/l suspended solids in the effluent. If the concentrations are exceeded, the Discharger may submit a technical report that demonstrates how suspended solids will be reduced so that water quality criteria are not exceeded in the effluent.

Table A.3 (Continued)

Discharge Applicability Table Part 2 Continued: Applicability of sediment elutriate and solids analysis for dredge site impacts and effluent discharges from the disposal site.

Constituent	Max. Concentration of solids analysis ^{4,5} (dry weight)	Max. Concentration of soluble constituents ^{2,4}
Organochlorine Pesticides (con	ntinued):	
4,4-DDE		ND (<0.05 μg/l)
4,4-DDT		ND (<0.01 μg/l)
Dieldrin		ND (<0.01 μg/l)
Endosulfan I		ND (<0.02 μg/l)
Endosulfan II		ND (<0.01 μg/l)
Endosulfan sulfate		ND (<0.05 μg/l)
Endrin		ND (<0.01 μg/l)
Endrin aldehyde		ND (<0.01 μg/l)
Heptachlor		ND (<0.01 µg/l)
Heptachlor epoxide		ND (<0.01 μg/l)
Hexachlorocyclopentadiene		ND (<0.01 μg/l)
Methoxychlor		ND (<0.1 μg/l)
Toxaphene		ND ($<0.5 \mu g/l$)
Organophosphorous Pesticides	S:	
Chlorpyrifos		0.014 µg/l
Diazinon		0.05 μg/l
Dimethioate		1.0 μg/l
Malathion		0.43 μg/l
Parathion		0.013 μg/l
Phorate		0.7 μg/l

Soluble concentrations shall be determined using methods specified in the Monitoring and Reporting Program.

If the elutriate results exceed Table A.3 Part 2 concentrations, then the Discharger may submit a technical report as described in Section F.

Solids concentrations for effluent discharge are based on an assumption of 100 mg/l suspended solids in the effluent.

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B. PROHIBITIONS

- The discharge of 'hazardous waste' or 'designated waste' is prohibited. For the purposes of this Order, the term 'hazardous waste' is as defined in Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 2510 et seq., and 'designated waste' is as defined in California Water Code Section 13173.
- 2. The discharge of dredged materials to a site other than a Dredged Material Disposal site specifically designed for their containment is prohibited.
- The discharge shall not cause the release of pollutants, or waste constituents in a manner that could cause a condition of nuisance, contamination, or pollution of groundwater to occur.
- 4. The discharge of solid waste, liquid waste, leachate, or waste constituents shall neither cause nor contribute to any contamination, pollution, or nuisance to surface waters, ponded water, or surface water drainage courses, including, but not limited to:
 - a. floating, suspended, or deposited macroscopic particulate matter or foam;
 - increases in bottom deposits or aquatic growth;
 - exceedances of water quality objectives for temperature, turbidity, or color that causes nuisance or adversely affects beneficial uses;
 - d. the creation or contribution of visible, floating, suspended, or deposited oil or other products of petroleum origin; and
 - the introduction or increase in concentration of toxic or other contaminants/pollutants resulting in impairment of beneficial uses of waters of the State.
- The direct discharge of wastes to surface waters or surface water drainage courses other than effluent from the DMD site is prohibited. Surface runoff from the DMD site may be permitted if the approved site operation plan has provisions for erosion control and monitoring.
- The discharge of dredge return water from hopper dredges to surface waters is prohibited.
- 7. The discharge of sanitary waste to the DMD sites is prohibited.

C. DISCHARGE SPECIFICATIONS

(For discharge of dredged materials into Dredged Material Disposal Site)

- The discharge of dredged materials shall only be to the sites identified in Finding No. 6 of this Order, or to a DMD Site with Waste Discharge Requirements approved for accepting dredge materials from the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel or to a DMD site approved by the Executive Officer with a waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements.
- The discharge to the DMD site shall consist solely of inert waste as defined by Title 27, Chapter 3, Section 20230 of the California Code of Regulations.
- The discharge of any materials generated during dredging operations shall not cause a nuisance or condition of pollution as defined by the California Water Code.
- The discharge shall not cause concentrations of any materials that are deleterious to animals, aquatic, human or plant life in adjacent water bodies.
- The discharge shall not cause the pollution or contamination of any water supply.
- The discharge shall not alter the apparent color of adjacent water bodies such that it causes nuisance or adversely affects beneficial uses.
- 7. The discharge to the DMD site shall consist solely of sediment and water produced from dredging operations.
- 8. Appropriate soil erosion control measures shall be made and maintained to prevent discharge of sediment to surface waters or surface water drainage courses from disturbed areas at the DMD sites. Surface runoff from the DMD site may be permitted if the approved site operation plan has provisions for erosion control and monitoring.
- 9. Objectionable odors originating at this facility shall not be perceivable beyond the limits of the activity area.
- Newly constructed or rehabilitated levees at the DMD sites shall be designed and constructed under the direct supervision of a California Registered Civil Engineer.
- All retention dikes or levees shall be so constructed and maintained to prevent sloughing that causes turbidity in excess of Receiving Water Limitations No. 10.

12. The discharge shall remain within the designated disposal area at all times, except for effluent discharges specified in Section D Effluent Limitations. After drying, the solid material may be removed for beneficial reuse at other locations subject to restrictions specified in the Notice of Applicability. Surface runoff from the DMD site may be permitted if the approved site operation plan has provisions for erosion control and monitoring.

D. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

(Return flows from the Dredged Material Disposal Site to the specified receiving water)

1. The effluent discharge from the Dredge Material Disposal sites are subject to the following flow limitations:

The average daily flow shall not exceed 9 mgd. The maximum daily flow shall not exceed 10 mgd.

- 2. The discharge shall not have a pH less than 6.5 nor greater than 8.5.
- In areas where the receiving water is on the 303(d) list as an impaired water body for nutrient enrichment or low dissolved oxygen, concentrations of dissolved oxygen in the effluent shall not fall below 5.0 mg/l.
- 4. In areas where the receiving water is on the 303(d) list as an impaired water body for low dissolved oxygen, the effluent shall not contain oxygen depleting constituents (BOD, COD, and ammonia) that are above the ambient levels in the receiving water upstream from the effluent discharge point.
- 5. The effluent shall not exceed water quality objectives or CTR/NTR criteria for any constituent that is on the 303(d) list for the receiving water where the effluent is discharged, unless a mixing zone is granted in the NOA. If the water entrained during dredging (receiving water) contains constituents that exceed water quality objectives, the effluent shall not exceed ambient levels in the receiving water.
- 6. In some DMD sites, the effluent is discharged directly into agricultural drainage ditches. Since agricultural drainage ditches are eventually discharged into rivers and sloughs in the Delta, the 303(d) constituents of the eventual surface water destination will be applied to the drainage ditch.
- 7. The following constituents are on the current 303(d) list for impaired water bodies in the area of the Delta that includes the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel:

Mercury DDT Chlorpyrifos Diazinon Group A Pesticides (Aldrin, Dieldrin, chlordane, Endrin, heptachlor, heptachlor expoxide, hexachlorocyclohexane (including Lindane), Endosulfan, and Toxaphene) Unknown toxicity

- The effluent shall not contain any constituent at concentrations that could
 cause acutely toxic conditions to aquatic life nor adversely impact biologically
 sensitive or critical habitats.
- Survival of aquatic organisms in 96-hour bioassays of undiluted effluent shall be no less than:

10. The point of compliance for effluent limitations is the point just before the effluent enters the receiving water.

E. RECEIVING WATER LIMITATIONS:

Receiving water limitations (RWL) implement Water Quality Objectives in applicable water quality control plans. As such, they are a required part of this Order.

A mixing zone is defined as a limited volume of receiving water that is allocated for mixing with a wastewater discharge where water quality objectives and CTR/NTR criteria may be exceeded without causing adverse effects to the overall water body. A mixing zone may be allowed if there is assimilative capacity in the receiving water. If the Discharger proposes a mixing zone for any constituent, they shall show justification that the receiving water has assimilative capacity and that dilution is likely to occur within the mixing zone. The mixing zone has a maximum length of 300 feet and shall not exceed 50% of the cross-section of the receiving water. Acutely toxic conditions are not permitted at any place inside the mixing zone. Chronic aquatic criteria and all other water quality objectives and CTR/NTR criteria must be met at the edge of the mixing zone in the receiving water. In addition the mixing zone shall not:

- adversely impact beneficial uses.
- compromise the integrity of the entire water body.
- cause acutely toxic conditions to aquatic life passing through the mixing zone.
- restrict the passage of aquatic life.
- adversely impact biologically sensitive or critical habitats, including, but not limited to, habitat of species listed under federal or State endangered species laws.
- produce undesirable or nuisance aquatic life.
- result in floating debris, oil, or scum.
- produce objectionable color, odor, taste or turbidity.

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- · cause objectionable bottom deposits.
- cause nuisance.
- dominate the receiving water body or overlap a mixing zone from different outfalls.
- be allowed at or near any drinking water intake.
- be allowed for any constituents in agricultural drainage ditches due to the lack of assimilative capacity, unless the Discharger can demonstrate that the discharge improves water quality in the agricultural drainage ditch.

If the Discharger proposes a mixing zone that meets the requirements of this Order, the Executive Officer may approve the mixing zone in the Notice of Applicability.

In the following limitations, the discharge is defined as the effluent from the DMD sites and/or sediment released to the receiving waters from the dredge cutting head. The Discharger shall not cause the following Receiving Water Limits to be exceeded in the receiving water or at the edge of the allowed mixing zone, if applicable:

- Concentrations of dissolved oxygen to fall below 5.0 mg/l in Delta waters east
 of the Antioch Bridge, nor to fall below 7.0 mg/l in Delta waters west of the
 Antioch Bridge. The DMD sites located west of the Antioch bridge include:
 S-20 (Augusto Pit, Sherman Island) and S-35.
- Oils, greases, waxes, or other materials to form a visible film or coating on the water surface or on the stream bottom.
- Oils, greases, waxes, floating material (liquids, solids, foams, and scums) or suspended material to create a nuisance or adversely affect beneficial uses.
- Toxic substances in concentrations that produce detrimental physiological responses in human, plant, animal or aquatic life.
- Aesthetically undesirable discoloration.
- Fungi, slimes, or other objectionable growths.
- 7. The normal ambient pH to fall below 6.5, exceed 8.5 or change by more than 0.5.
- Deposition of material that causes nuisance or adversely affects beneficial uses.
- 9. The normal ambient temperature to increase more than 5° F.

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- 10. The discharge shall not cause an increase in turbidity exceeding the following limits in the receiving water:
 - a. 1.0 Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTUs) where natural turbidity is between 0 and 5 NTUs;
 - b. 20 percent where natural turbidity is between 5 and 50 NTUs;
 - c. 10 NTUs where natural turbidity is between 50 and 100 NTUs;
 - d. 10 percent where natural turbidity is greater than 100 NTUs.
- 11. Taste or odor-producing substances to impart undesirable tastes or odors to domestic or municipal water supplies, or to fish flesh or other edible products of aquatic origin, or to cause nuisance or otherwise adversely affect beneficial uses.
- 12. Violation of any applicable water quality objective for receiving waters adopted by the Board or the SWRCB, or to CTR/NTR criteria promulgated by the USEPA, pursuant to the Clean Water Act and regulations adopted thereunder.

F. PROVISIONS

- 1. If the concentration(s) of the predredge sediment samples exceed those specified in Applicability Section A.3, then the Discharger may submit a technical report with the NOI to the Executive Officer demonstrating the Discharger's ability to comply with this Order while exceeding the applicability numbers in the A.3 Discharge Applicability Table. The dredging project may not proceed until the technical report is reviewed by the Executive Officer and a Notice of Applicability has been granted. If the Executive Officer finds that the technical report is consistent with the conditions of this Order, new values will be substituted for the numbers listed in Table A.3, but only for the discharge covered by the NOA. Attachment "D" gives additional information on the content of the Technical Report.
- 2. If the maximum concentration of the solids analysis listed in Applicability Table A.3 Part 1 are exceeded, restrictions may be placed on some beneficial reuse options. The Discharger may propose appropriate EPA PRG values (Preliminary Remediation Goals) or risk analysis calculations that address the likely exposure pathways of the specific DMD location and use of the dredged material once it is placed on land.
- 3. If maximum concentration for soluble constituents listed in Applicability Table A.3 Part 1 are exceeded, the Discharger may propose site-specific calculations, based on site-specific attenuation and dilution factors, to demonstrate that the dredged material will not produce leachate that will exceed water quality objectives for the groundwater. If direct surface runoff

poses a potential threat to surface water, beneficial reuse may be restricted to areas with no direct surface runoff to surface waters.

- 4. During the predredge analysis, if the modified elutriate test results exceed the maximum concentrations listed in Part 2 of the Discharge Applicability Table (A.3), the Discharger may submit a technical report that provides justification for a mixing zone in the receiving water. The mixing zone can be used if the Executive Officer finds that it meets the conditions of this Order. Mixing zone calculations shall use the maximum effluent flow listed in the WDR and the average receiving water flow expected for the time of the discharge.
- 5. Calculations need be submitted only for the constituent exceeding concentrations in the Discharge Applicability Table (A.3). Within 7 days after the Discharger submits copies of the technical report prepared for compliance with Provision F, Board staff shall mail copies of the technical report to interested parties or agencies that request a copy. Interested parties will have two weeks to review the report and provide comments to the Executive Officer for consideration prior to issuance of a Notice of Applicability. Separate NOIs may be submitted for different reaches of the project.
- 6. The Discharger shall submit an Operation Plan for each DMD Site. This Operation Plan shall describe site operations and procedures to be followed before, during, and after maintenance dredging sediment disposal. The DMD Site's Operation Plan must be submitted with the Notice of Intent. The Site Operation Plan shall include emergency procedures for potential risks, including levee failures.
- Pursuant to Section 13267 of the California Water Code, the Discharger may be required to submit other technical reports as directed by the Executive Officer.
- 8. The Discharger shall comply with the attached Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 5-01-116, which is part of this Order, and any revision thereto as ordered by the Executive Officer. Violations may result in enforcement action, including Board or court orders requiring corrective action or imposing civil monetary liability, or in revision or rescission of the Notice of Applicability.
- 9. The Discharger shall comply with the "Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirements for Waste Discharge Requirements", dated 1 March 1991, which are attached hereto and by reference a part of this Order. This attachment and its individual paragraphs are commonly referenced as "Standard Provision(s)."

- 10. In the event of any change in control or ownership of land or control of dredging and disposal operations described herein, the Discharger shall notify the succeeding owner or operator of the existence of this Order by letter, a copy of which shall be immediately forwarded to this office.
- 11. The Discharger shall notify the Board when each dredging project that is covered by these requirements is complete, so that the Notice of Applicability may be withdrawn and the Discharger will no longer be covered by this Order, although long-term maintenance of sediments in the DMD sites will continue to be covered.
- 12. The Discharger shall immediately notify the Board by telephone whenever a violation or an adverse condition occurs as a result of the dredging and disposal operation or the discharge of effluent. Written confirmation shall follow within two (2) weeks. An "adverse condition" is defined as any action or incident that may result in a risk to public health and safety, condition of nuisance, violation of water quality standards or violation of other conditions of this Order.
- 13. The Discharger shall report promptly to the Board any material change or proposed change in the character, location, or volume of the discharge.
- 14. The Board considers the Discharger to have continuing responsibility for correcting any problems which may arise in the future as a result of maintenance dredging activities and of the subsequent use of the dredge material disposal sites.
- 15. The Discharger shall comply with all conditions of this Order, including timely submittal of technical and monitoring reports as directed by the Executive Officer. Violations may result in enforcement action, including Regional Board or court orders requiring corrective action, or imposing civil monetary liability, or in revision or rescission of the Notice of Applicability.
- 16. A copy of this Order and the Notice of Applicability shall be kept as a reference for dredging operation personnel. Key operating personnel shall be familiar with its contents.
- 17. The Applicability Table A.3 will not be implemented for the 2001 dredging season in order to provide time for the Discharger to gather information needed for the site-specific studies. Although all required testing will be performed for the 2001 dredging season, the Discharger must meet the Applicability numbers in the former WDR: 88-143. The Discharger shall submit a Technical Report with a hydrologic site assessment of each of the DMD sites by 1 February 2002.

18. After pre-dredge sampling is completed, sampling results will be reviewed in conjunction with anticipated attenuation and dilution factors. If the review shows that discharge of solids to land or effluent to surface waters would be prohibited, then the Board will reopen this Order to evaluate any additional factors which may affect the terms of compliance, to determine if alternative or less stringent standards can be adopted which are protective of the environment without hampering dredging activities.

I, GARY M. CARLTON, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region on 11 May 2001.

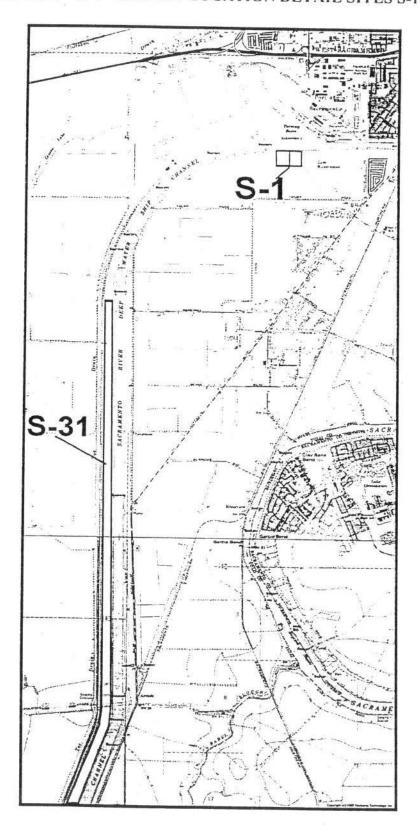
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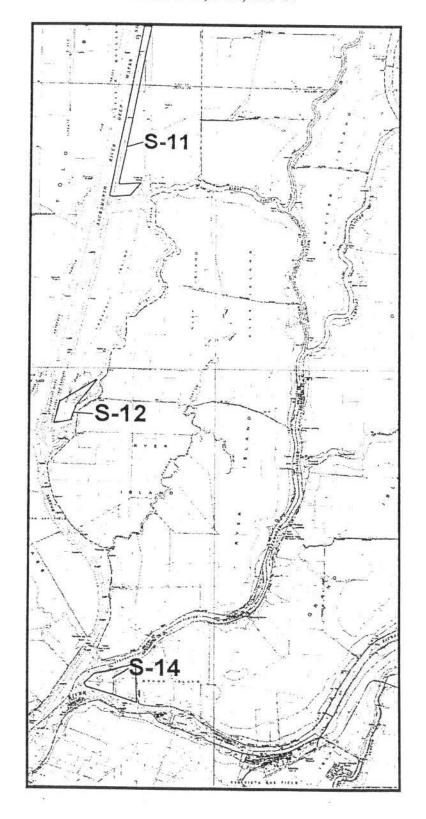
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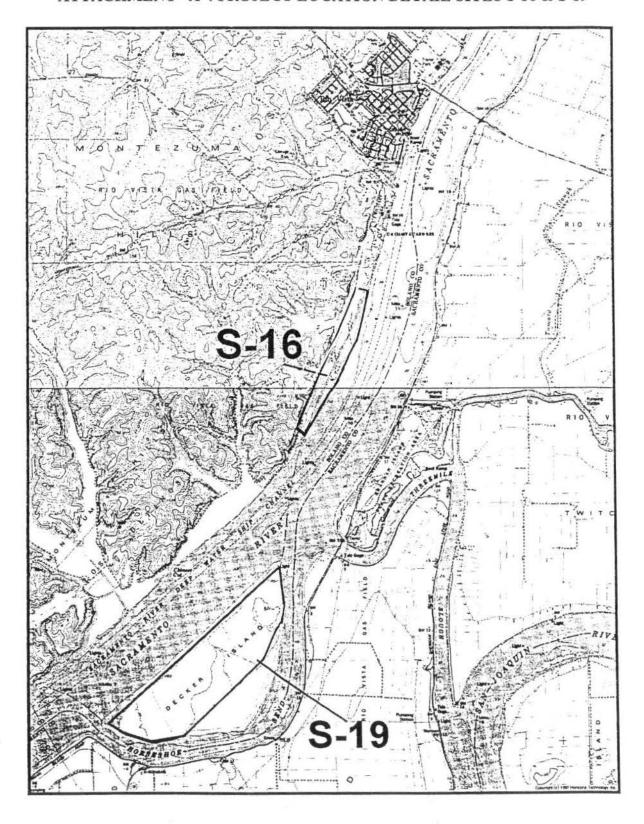


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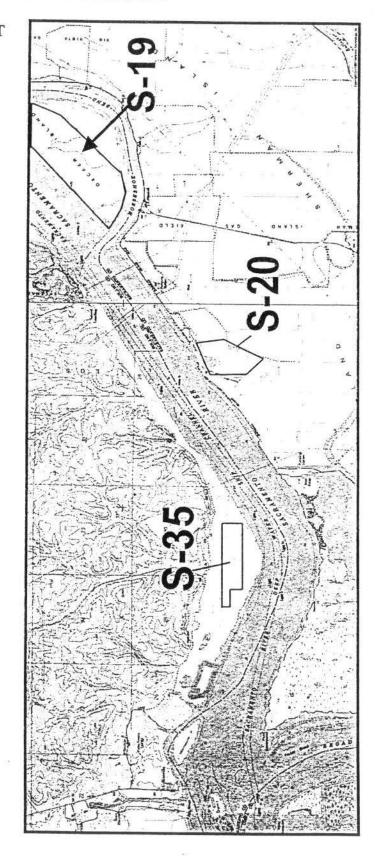


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UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND PORT OF SACRAMENTO
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ATTACHMENT "A": PROJECT LOCATION DETAIL SITES S-16 & S-19



ATTACHMENT "A": PROJECT LOCATION DETAIL SITES S-19, S-20, & S-35



ATTACHMENT "B" APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

A Notice of Intent and filing fee must be submitted for each proposed maintenance dredging project. The Notice of Intent shall be prepared under the supervision of either a California Registered Civil Engineer, Registered Geologist, or Certified Engineering Geologist and shall provide the following information:

A. Dredging Project Area Description

- 1. Map of proposed maintenance dredging area.
- 2. Maximum depth of dredging.
- 3. Estimated total cubic yards to be removed.
- Any additional physical or structural aspects of the project that would make the maintenance dredging unique, i.e., pipelines, cables, bridges, piers, docks, marinas, sewer outfalls, etc.

B. Predredge Sampling and Analyses

- Sufficient predredge sediment samples must be collected for analyses to demonstrate that the General Order is applicable to the proposed maintenance dredging project.
- 2. The Discharger shall submit a "Sampling and Analysis Plan" for approval by Regional Board Staff. The plan should include:
 - a. Location and rationale for sampling.
 - b. Quantity of samples.
 - c. Test method and procedure used for each measurement/analysis.
 - d. Detection and reporting limits for each analysis method.
 - e. Sample collection technique.
 - f. Quality Assurance/Quality Control to be performed for both field and lab.
- The general categories of analyses required to demonstrate applicability as listed in Section A.3 are as follows:
 - a. Analysis of metals (total concentrations)
 - b. Soluble metals using Waste Extraction Test with citrate buffer performed in accordance with the procedures of Title 22 CCR, Division 4.5, Chapter 11, Appendix II (if the ratio of neutralizing potential to acid-generating potential is less than 3).
 - c. Soluble metals using Waste Extraction Test method with de-ionized water as the extractant, if the ratio of neutralizing potential to acid-generating potential is greater than 3.
 - d. Solid-phase Organic compounds (as specified by Regional Board staff).
 - e. Analyses for organic compounds, metals, pH, TDS, and chloride should be performed on supernatant from Modified Elutriate Test, which mixes sediment from the dredge site with the receiving water. A toxicity test shall be performed on elutriate from the Modified Elutriate Test. The toxicity test (acute or chronic) shall be chosen dependent on the duration of dredging in

that reach. Tributyltin must also be analyzed on the filtered supernatant if dredging will occur near the Port or near a marina.

- f. Neutralizing Potential and Acid Generating Potential analysis of solids.
- g. Regional Board staff may modify the required analyses as new information becomes available.

C. Description and Operation Plan of Dredging Method

- 1. Type of dredging equipment (ex: hydraulic cutter-head suction dredge).
- 2. Dredging rate in cubic yards per day.
- 3. Hours of operation and estimated days to complete project.
- 4. Best management practices to be implemented during dredging operations to prevent impacts to water quality.
- 5. Method of transporting dredged materials to Dredge Material Disposal site.

D. Dredge Material Disposal Site

- 1. Name and Location of Dredged Material Disposal Site.
- 2. Site Operation Plan which must include the following:
 - a. Description of dredge material handling equipment.
 - b. Scaled site plan showing the following:
 - North arrow and scale.
 - Location of DMD site.
 - DMD site overflow structure locations.
 - Location and diameter of river outfall pipe for effluent from disposal site.
 - Sampling points for effluent and receiving water monitoring.
 - Locations where Best Management Practices will be applied to prevent erosion.
 - Design specifications (including prevention of erosion, washout or inundation by storms).
- 3. Volume available for dredge material in the DMD site.
- Calculations and analyses for determining minimum holding times required for dredge materials before decanting effluent to the receiving water.
- 5. Estimated duration of effluent discharge from each DMD site.

E. Additional Receiving Water Requirements

If the concentration of the predredge sediment or elutriate samples exceed those specified in Applicability Section A.3, then a technical report may be submitted to the Executive Officer for review and approval. The technical report must be prepared in accordance with the provisions in Section F.

ATTACHMENT "C" List of approved Dredge Material Disposal Sites

Site	Location (River Mile)	Discharge Point	Volume capacity (cy)	Acre- age	Location (Latitude, Longitude)	Owner (Addresses to follow)
S1	RM 43.4	Sacramento Channel RM 43.4	500,000	124	38°33'32" 121°33'26"	Port of Sacramento
S-11	RM 23 to 26	Sacramento Channel RM 26	3,040,000	640	Prospect Island, RM 23 to 26 38°18'06" 121°39'01"	Port of Sacramento & Leo Fahn, trustee for Sylvia et al
S-12	RM 20	Sacramento Channel RM 19-20	1,000,000*	320	Prospect Is. RM 20 38°14'50" 121°39'47"	Port of Sacramento
S-14	RM 14	Steamboat Slough	1,000,000*	196	Grand Is., 38°10'45" 121°39'09"	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
S-16	RM 9 to 11	Sacramento River RM 11	1,000,000*	149	Rio Vista, 38°07'48" 121°42'00"	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
S-19	RM 6 to 8	Sacramento River at Horseshoe Bend RM 7	1,410,000*	590	Decker Is., 38°05'30" 121°43'14"	Port of Sac- ramento & Robt. Oppen- heimer BBI
S-20	RM 5	Sacramento River RM 5	640,000*	98	Sherman Is. Augusto Pit 38°05'30" 121°42'00"	Department of Water Resources
S-31	RM 27 to 40	Sacramento Channel between RM 27 to 40	11,150,000*	663	38°26'42" 121°35'54"	Port of Sacramento
S-32	RM 26.0 to 26.5	Sacramento Channel between RM 26 & 26.5	670,000	265	38°20'22" 121°38'33"	Port of Sacramento
S-35	RM 1	Sacramento River RM 1	890,000	196	38°04'09'' 121°48'23''	Dow Chemi- cal Co.

^{*} Denotes sites where useful capacity of site may be extended indefinitely due to removal of dredge material for beneficial reuse.

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Addresses of DMD site owners:

Sacramento Yolo Port District Port of Sacramento P.O. Box 980070 West Sacramento, CA 95691

Frank Ramos et al. 1450 Harbor Boulevard West Sacramento, CA 95691

Fahn Bros. Farms Attn: Linda Peters P.O. Box 1563 Sacramento, CA 95812-1563

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 1325 J Street Sacramento, CA 95814

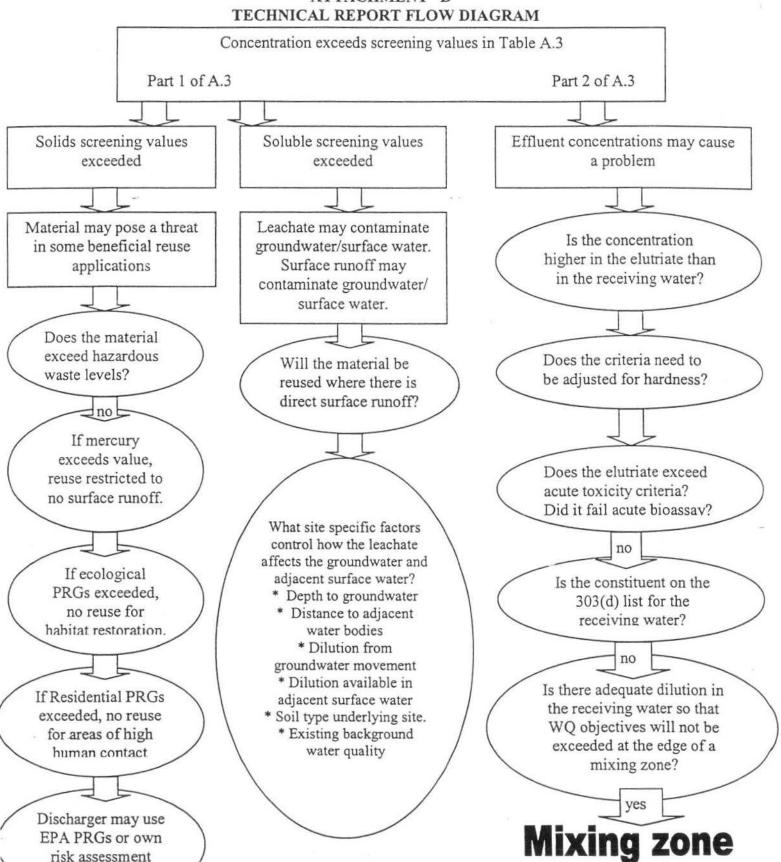
The Reclamation Board State of California 1416 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Dow Chemical Company Tax Department AFB Building Freeport, TX 77541

Robert Oppenheimer 15890 Norton Road Healdsburg, CA 95448

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ATTACHMENT "D"



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CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM NO. 5-01-116

FOR
UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND
THE PORT OF SACRAMENTO
SACRAMENTO DEEP WATER SHIP CHANNEL MAINTENANCE DREDGING
ACTIVITIES CHANNEL MILE 0.0 TO 43.4
CONTRA COSTA, SACRAMENTO, SOLANO AND YOLO COUNTIES

This monitoring program includes pre-dredge sediment and elutriate analysis, dredge site monitoring, effluent (return-water) monitoring and receiving water monitoring.

PRE-DREDGE SEDIMENT AND ELUTRIATE MONITORING

Pre-dredge sediment sampling and analyses shall be performed to determine sediment constituent concentrations for those items listed in Applicability Section A.3, Discharge Applicability Table. Soluble metal constituents shall be measured after performing a Title 22 Waste Extraction Test (WET) procedure. The WET procedure may be modified to use deionized water in place of the citrate buffer when the ratio of neutralizing potential (NP) to Acid Generating Potential (AGP) is greater than 3. Another extraction procedure may be used with approval by the Executive Officer. In some cases, the Waste Extraction Test with citrate buffer may be required to show that the dredge material is not classified as hazardous waste. A modified elutriate test (MET)(USACOE Tech Note EEDP 04-2) shall be performed on representative sediment samples and receiving water from the site. The supernatant from the MET shall be analyzed for the constituents listed in Part 2 of Table A.3. Approved analytical methods are listed in Table 3 below.

The frequency of samples required depends on a number of factors including: previous analysis results, location, distribution of the sediments and type of analysis. Historically, some reaches of the channels have smaller amounts of sediment deposited and other sections have had massive sediment deposits. It is assumed that the sediments within a reach have been recently deposited, and have similar characteristics and source of materials. Therefore, the sampling frequency will be adjusted for the amount of material to be dredged from a reach, so that reaches with large amounts of material will have a lower sampling frequency. In addition, sampling frequency may be decreased in the future if there are sufficient number of results to indicate that the constituent has a low probability of being found in levels that would cause concern. If ten samples taken in a given sampling frequency category have results well below the levels of concern, the sampling frequency can be decreased by one category (for example from A to B) for that constituent, with category D as a maximum. If results from a sample are above levels of concern, the sampling frequency may be increased by one category (for example from B to A). Table 2 shows the sampling frequency categories for different constituents depending on the amount of material in each discrete reach to be dredged.

A "reach" is defined as a segment of channel where the material to be removed has the following similarities: similar grain size, similar sources of contaminants, and a similar depositional environment.

Table 1: Sampling frequency categories

Category	Sampling Frequency Minimum
A	One sample per 12,500 cubic yards, or part thereof
В	One sample per 25,000 cubic yards, or part thereof
С	One composite sample per 50,000 cubic yards, or part thereof (composite of 2 different sample locations)
D	One composite sample per 75,000 cubic yards, or part thereof (composite of at least 3 different sample locations)

Table 2: Sampling frequency assignments based on constituent and amount of material to be dredged in a reach.

Constituent	Sampling category based on volume of dredge material to be removed from reach			
	Under 25,000	25,000- 50,000	50,000- 100,000	Over 100,000
Acid Generating Potential/ Neutralizing Potential	A	В	C	D
WET metals	A	В	С	D
MET metals	A	В	С	D
MET Ammonia & Ammonium	A	В	С	D
MET COD	A	В	С	D
MET BOD	A	В	С	D
Metal solids	A	В	С	D
PAH solids	A	В	С	D
PCB solids	A	В	С	D
OC Pesticide solids	A	В	С	D
MET PAH	A	В	С	D
MET PCB	A	В	С	D
MET OC Pesticides	A	В	С	D -
MET OP Pesticides	A	В	С	D
MET Toxicity Bioassay	A	В	С	D
MET pH	A	В	С	D
MET Specific conductivity (EC)	A	В	С	D
MET Total Dissolved Solids(TDS)	A	В	С	D
MET Chloride	A	В	C	D
Receiving Water Hardness, pH	A	В	C	D
MET Tributyltin (filtered)	If within 500 yards of the Port or a marina			
MET Oil and Grease	If within 500 yards of the Port or a marina			

The sampling and analysis plan for pre-dredge sampling shall be approved by Regional Board staff before samples are taken.

Table 3: Analytical Methods

	Sample preparation	Analysis method	
Acid Generating Potential/			
Neutralizing Potential			
WET metals	Waste Extraction Test	Arsenic	7062
	(citrate buffer or	Barium	6010B
38//	deionized water)	Cadmium	7131A
MET metals	Modified Elutriate Test	Total Chromium	6010B
	(USACOE Tech Note	Chromium VI	7195,
	EEDP 04-2)	7196,	or 7191
	**	Copper	6010B
		Lead	7421
*		Mercury	7471A
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		Nickel	7521
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		1700000000	6010B
MET Ammonia & Ammonium	Modified Elutriate Test	Standard Method 4500-	
		NH ₃	
MET COD	Modified Elutriate Test	5220B	
MET BOD	Modified Elutriate Test	5210B	
Metal solids		6010B except Me	ercury
PAH solids		8310	
PCB solids		8082	
OC Pesticide solids		8081A	
MET PAH	Modified Elutriate Test	8310 or 8270C	
MET PCB	Modified Elutriate Test	8082	
MET OC Pesticides	Modified Elutriate Test	8081A	
MET OP Pesticides	Modified Elutriate Test	8141A	
MET Toxicity Bioassay	Modified Elutriate Test	EPA 600/4-90/02	27F —
MET pH	Modified Elutriate Test	150.1	
MET Specific conductivity (EC)	Modified Elutriate Test	2510	
MET Total Dissolved Solids(TDS)	Modified Elutriate Test	2540C	
MET Chloride	Modified Elutriate Test	300.0	
Receiving Water Hardness		2340B	
MET Tributyltin (filtered)	Modified Elutriate Test Gas chrom. w/ F.		PD
		detect.	
MET Oil and Grease	Modified Elutriate Test	5520C/8440	

BOD: Biological Oxygen Demand COD: Chemical Oxygen Demand

MET: Modified Elutriate Test U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Tech Note EEDP-04-1,-2,-3,-4

OP: Organophosphorous

OC: Organochlorine

PAH: Polyaromatic Hydrocarbons PCB: Polychlorinated Biphenyls WET: Waste Extraction Test

Equivalent analytical methods may be substituted with approval of Regional Board staff.

DREDGE SITE RECEIVING WATER MONITORING

Grab samples shall be taken at two depths: 1) five feet below the surface, 2) approximately 2/3 of the distance to the bottom. The two grab samples from each station shall be composited together in equal volumes resulting in one sample from each station for analysis. Water samples shall be taken from the following stations:

Station	Description
R-1	Upcurrent of the dredging location undisturbed by the dredging operation, and not to exceed 3000 feet from the dredge.
R-2	within 300 feet downcurrent of the dredge suction head or clamshell.

In environments without significant current, R-1 should be located at a distance that is unaffected by dredging and R-2 shall be taken within 300 feet of the dredge. Other monitoring points may be required at the dredge site if the predredge analysis shows contaminants of concern that have the potential to cause toxicity at the dredge site.

Samples shall be collected and analyzed from Stations R-1 and R-2 as follows:

Constituent/ analysis	<u>Units</u>	Sampling Frequency
Turbidity	NTUs	Daily
Dissolved Oxygen	mg/l	Daily
Temperature	°F	Daily
Suspended Solids	mg/l	Twice a week
Constituents of concern ¹	μg/l	To be determined by staff

¹ Constituents of concern will be identified by Regional Board staff after reviewing the pre-dredge sediment and elutriate analysis. The Notice of Applicability will include a list of constituents of concern for monitoring.

DMD SITE EFFLUENT MONITORING

The effluent from the sedimentation basin or Dredged Material Disposal (DMD) site shall be monitored at the overflow weir or discharge pipe during discharge. The initial set of samples shall be collected within 24 hours of the initiation of discharge. Subsequent samples shall be collected from the effluent discharge and analyzed according to the following schedule:

DMD SITE EFFLUENT MONITORING (Continued)

Constituent/ analysis	<u>Units</u>	Sampling Frequency
Flow	MGD	Daily
pH		Daily
Suspended solids	mg/l	Daily
Turbidity	NTU	Daily
Dissolved Oxygen	mg/l	Daily
Temperature	°F	Daily
Constituents of concern ²	μg/l	To be determined by staff ³

² Constituents of concern will be identified by Regional Board staff after reviewing the pre-dredge sediment and elutriate analysis. The Notice of Applicability will include a list of constituents of concern for monitoring.
³ The following are the "normal" expected turnaround times for laboratory analysis:

Total Suspended Solids
Chronic bioassays
Acute bioassays
Ammonia

3 days after sample collection
21 days after sample collection
7 days after sample collection
10 days after sample collection
Field measurement verified with laboratory analysis

Other analyses 14 days after sample collection

Sample holding times must be observed according to U.S. EPA recommendations. Regional Board staff may ask for shorter turnaround times in cases where there is potential for the effluent to exceed water quality objectives in the receiving water and to impair beneficial uses.

RECEIVING WATER MONITORING FOR THE DMD SITE DISCHARGE

Grab samples shall be taken at two depths: 1) five feet below the surface of the water, 2) approximately 2/3 of the distance to the bottom. Two grab samples from each station shall be composited together in equal volumes resulting in one sample from each station for analysis. Water samples shall be taken from the following stations:

Station	Description
R-3	Upcurrent of the discharge location and undisturbed by the effluent discharge from the DMD site, not to exceed 300 feet from the point of discharge.
R-4	within 300 feet down current of the discharge point and on the same side of the river as the discharge point.

Samples shall be collected and analyzed from Stations R-3 and R-4 as follows:

Constituent/ analysis	Units	Sampling Frequency
pH		Daily
Turbidity	NTU	Daily
Dissolved Oxygen	mg/l	Daily
Temperature	°F	Daily

Constituent/ analysis Units Sampling Frequency Suspended solids mg/1Twice weekly

Constituents of concern⁴ To be determined by staff⁵ цд/1

⁴ Constituents of concern will be determined by Regional Board staff after reviewing the analytical results from the pre-dredge analysis. The Notice of Applicability will include a list of constituents of concern for monitoring. The following are the "normal" expected turnaround times for laboratory analysis:

Total Suspended Solids 3 days after sample collection Chronic bioassays 21 days after sample collection Acute bioassays 7 days after sample collection

BOD 10 days after sample collection Ammonia Field measurement verified with laboratory analysis

Other analyses 14 days after sample collection

Sample holding times must be observed according to U.S. EPA recommendations. Regional Board staff may ask for shorter turnaround times in cases where there is potential for the effluent to exceed water quality objectives in the receiving water and to impair beneficial uses.

REPORTING

The following constituents shall have monitoring performed with field equipment at the dredge site, in the effluent and in the receiving water with violations reported to Regional Board staff immediately:

Flow

Dissolved Oxygen Temperature

Turbidity Ammonia (with lab analysis for validation)

The following are the "normal" expected turnaround times for laboratory analysis:

Total Suspended Solids 3 days after sample collection Chronic bioassays 21 days after sample collection

Acute bioassays 7 days after sample collection BOD 10 days after sample collection

Ammonia Field measurement verified with laboratory analysis

Other analyses 14 days after sample collection

Sample holding times must be observed according to U.S. EPA recommendations. Regional Board staff may ask for shorter turnaround times in cases where there is potential for the effluent to exceed water quality objectives in the receiving water and to impair beneficial uses.

The Discharger shall immediately notify the Board by telephone whenever a violation or adverse condition occurs as a result of the dredging and disposal operation or the discharge of effluent. Written confirmation shall follow within 2 weeks.

If the project is in operation for more than one month, monthly Self Monitoring Reports shall be submitted to Regional Board Staff no more than 15 days after the end of the month. The Self Monitoring Reports shall include:

- 1. The date, exact place, time of sampling and the name of the person taking the sample.
- 2. The dates analyses were performed and the name of the person who performed the analyses.

- Analytical techniques/methods used.
- 4. Results of the analyses.

The Discharger shall compile and summarize the data from the Self Monitoring Reports and submit an Annual Report to Board staff within 90 days of project completion.

If dredge material from a project has restrictions on beneficial reuse options, the owner of the DMD site shall be responsible for tracking and documenting the location of that material while it is in the site. If the material is removed from the site, the owner shall notify Board staff within 10 days and provide a description of how the material was appropriately reused. If the material is sold or used in another location, the owner of the DMD site shall inform the recipient of the restrictions and their responsibility for proper use of the material.

The Discharger shall implement the above monitoring program on the effective date of this Program.

Ordered by:

ARLTON, Executive Officer

11 May 2001

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INFORMATION SHEET

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS GENERAL ORDER NO. 5-01-116 UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND PORT OF SACRAMENTO SACRAMENTO DEEP WATER SHIP CHANNEL MAINTENANCE DREDGING CONTRA COSTA, SACRAMENTO, SOLANO & YOLO COUNTIES

The Waste Discharge Requirements for maintenance dredging of the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel are being updated to reflect current conditions, policies and plans. The previous Waste Discharge Requirements Order Number 88-143 will be rescinded at the time this Order is approved by the Board.

This General Order applies to maintenance dredging of 43.4 miles of the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel from the boundary of the Central Valley Region near Collinsville to the Port of Sacramento. The dredge material will be removed with a hydraulic suction dredge, and then piped or barged to one of the ten approved Dredge Material Disposal (DMD) sites. The DMD sites are used for settling solids from the dredge material slurry. After settling, excess water (effluent) will be discharged into the adjacent receiving water. Three of the ten DMD sites discharge into the man-made section of the Sacramento Ship Channel. Six of the ten DMD sites discharge into the Sacramento River. One DMD site discharges into Steamboat Slough. The average rate of effluent discharge will be 9 million gallons per day. The duration of the effluent discharge ranges from several days to several weeks per year. Due to concerns for threatened and endangered fish species, dredging occurs between 1 September and 30 November.

Each year that the Discharger wishes to dredge under this General Order, the Discharger will submit a Notice of Intent that will include a project description and analytical results from representative sediment samples. If the sediment samples are below the maximum concentrations listed in Applicability Table A.3, the Executive Officer will grant a Notice of Applicability for the project. The maximum concentration values in Applicability Table A.3 are conservative screening values for assessing potential impacts from the dredging operations, from effluent discharges to surface waters, leaching and runoff to groundwater and adjacent surface water, and reuse of dredge material in an upland environment. Since the values in Table A.3 do not allow for site-specific attenuation factors, there are provisions allowing the Discharger to submit a technical report explaining how dredged material could exceed values in the Applicability Table and still not cause or contribute to exceedances of water quality objectives. The technical report would undergo public review and comment. The Order allows the Executive Officer to review site-specific information provided in the Discharger's technical report and find that values higher than those in the Applicability Table comply with the conditions of the Order. To provide the Discharger with additional time to collect site-specific information for the technical reports, the Discharger will be allowed to use the Applicability values from the 88-143 WDR for the 2001 dredging season only.

The Monitoring and Reporting Program includes pre-dredge analysis of the sediment and effluent, as well as monitoring during dredging at three locations: the dredge site, the effluent from the disposal site, and the receiving water. During dredging and disposal, the following constituents will be monitored: turbidity, dissolved oxygen, suspended solids, pH, flow,

temperature, and other constituents of concern that may be identified from the pre-dredge analysis.

The values in Table A.3 Discharge Applicability Table will be used to evaluate both potential impacts from effluent discharged from the disposal site and potential long-term impacts from dredge material placement in an upland environment. Part 1 of Table A.3 is used to assess the dredge material remaining in the DMD site or at a beneficial reuse site. The exposure pathways include: direct exposure to the solid phase dredge material, leachate and runoff to groundwater and surface water. Part 2 of Table A.3 is used to assess the effluent from the DMD site with the only exposure pathway being effluent discharge to surface water. The values for leachate, runoff and effluent pathways are based on applicable water quality objectives and criteria. The values for solid phase dredge material are based on U.S. EPA's published values for human health protection (Preliminary Remediation Goals) and ecological protection (Ecological Preliminary Remediation Goals). Each value listed in Table A.3 is explained in the table below. Figures 1 and 2 follow the table and contain an exposure pathway diagram and an explanation of pathways considered in the USEPA Residential PRGs.

LIST OF ACRONYMS:

CA DFG: California Department of Fish and Game

CTR: California Toxics Rule

DHS: California Department of Health Services

EC: Electrical Conductivity

FW: Fresh Water

MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level (for drinking water purveyors)

NAWOC: National Ambient Water Quality Criteria (developed by USEPA)

ND: Non-detect

OEHHA: Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment

OP: Organophosphorous

PAH: Polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons

PCB: Polychlorinated biphenyls

PRG: Preliminary Remediation Goal (USEPA)

RWL: Receiving Water Limit

SSL: Soil Screening Level (USEPA)

TBD: To be determined

USEPA: United States Environmental Protection Agency

Table 1: EXPLANATION OF CRITERIA:

<u>Discharge Applicability Table Part 1</u>: Applicability of sediments for upland disposal

Max. Concentration of solids analysis¹

	of solids analysis'	
Constituent	(dry weight)	Reference:
Arsenic	See footnote ²	Average Delta soil conc.
Cadmium	21 mg/kg	EPA Ecological PRG
		(Soil Invertebrates)
Total Chromium	See footnote ²	Average Delta soil conc.
Copper	61 mg/kg	EPA Ecological PRG
-		(Soil Invertebrates)
Lead	400 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Mercury	0.2 mg/kg	Screening value
Nickel	See footnote ²	Average Delta soil conc.
Selenium	390 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Zinc	120 mg/kg	EPA Ecological PRG
		(Soil Invertebrates)
Polyaromatic hydrocarbons (P	AH):	
Acenaphthene	3,700 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Anthracene	22,000 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Benzo(a)anthracene	0.62 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	0.62 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	0.61 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Benzo(a)pyrene	0.062 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Chrysene	6.1 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene	0.062 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Fluoranthene	2,300 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Fluorene	2,600 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	0.62 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Naphthalene	56 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Pyrene	2,300 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PC	CB):	
Aroclor 1016	3.9 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Aroclor 1221	0.22 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential
Aroclor 1232	0.22 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential

Maximum concentrations in Table A.3 for solids are based on USEPA Preliminary Remediation Goals (PRG) for residential use, USEPA Preliminary Remediation Goals (PRG) for upland ecological exposure, or local background soil concentrations. The PRG screening values are based on risk assessment of common exposure pathways in a residential environment or common exposure pathways for wildlife exposure to constituents in the soil. If the solids concentrations are exceeded, beneficial reuse options may be restricted or the Discharger may submit a technical report that demonstrates a risk assessment based on expected exposure routes due to dredged material placement.

The mean solids concentration of the sediment shall not exceed the mean solids concentration of the background soils from the Delta based on a statistical comparison using an approved Title 27 statistical method.

<u>Discharge Applicability Table Part 1 (Continued)</u>: Applicability of sediments for upland disposal

Max. Concentration of solids analysis¹

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Constituent	(dry weight)	Reference:	
Aroclor 1242	0.22 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Aroclor 1248	0.22 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Aroclor 1254	0.22 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Aroclor 1260	0.22 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Organochlorine Pesticides:			
Aldrin	0.029 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Alpha BHC	0.090 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Beta BHC	0.032 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Gamma BHC (Lindane)	0.44 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Chlordane	1.6 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
4,4-DDD	2.4 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
4,4-DDE	1.7 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
4,4-DDT	1.7 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Dieldrin	0.011 mg/kg	EPA PRG Ecological	
		(Avian)	
Endosulfan	370 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Endrin	18 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Heptachlor	0.11 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Heptachlor epoxide	0.052 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Hexachlorocylopentadienne	420 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Methoxychlor	8 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	
Toxaphene	0.44 mg/kg	EPA PRG Residential	

Discharge Applicability Table Part 1: Applicability of sediments for upland disposal

 $\begin{tabular}{c|c} Max. Concentration of \\ \hline Constituent & soluble constituents^2 & Reference \\ \hline Arsenic (filtered) & 10 \ \mu g/l & Basin Plan Objective \\ Cadmium (filtered) & 5 \ \mu g/l & CA \& USEPA Primary MCL \\ \hline \end{tabular}$

Maximum concentrations in Table A.3 for solids are based on USEPA Preliminary Remediation Goals (PRG) for residential use, USEPA Preliminary Remediation Goals (PRG) for upland ecological exposure, or local background soil concentrations. The PRG screening values are based on risk assessment of common exposure pathways in a residential environment or common exposure pathways for wildlife exposure to constituents in the soil. If the solids concentrations are exceeded, beneficial reuse option may be restricted or the Discharger may submit a technical report that demonstrates a risk assessment based on expected exposure routes due to dredged material placement.

Soluble constituents shall be extracted using the Waste Extraction Test with either deionized water or citrate buffer, depending on the ratio of neutralizing potential to acid generating potential in the dredge material.

³ Background levels of cadmium routinely exceed the 0.07 μg/l California Public Health Goal. It is not economically feasible to require dredge material to meet the lower Public Health Goal standard, so the drinking water MCL is used for the water quality objective in this permit.

<u>Discharge Applicability Table Part 1 (Continued)</u>: Applicability of sediments for upland disposal

Max. Concentration of Constituent soluble constituents2 Reference Total Chromium (filtered) 50 μg/1 CA MCL Chromium VI (filtered) 11 µg/l Chronic aq. toxicity (CTR) Copper (filtered) Basin Plan Objective $10 \, \mu g/1$ Lead (filtered) $2.5 \,\mu g/l^4$ Chronic ag. toxicity (CTR) Mercury $0.05 \, \mu g/1$ CTR Human Health Nickel (filtered) 52 μg/1⁴ Chronic aq. toxicity (CTR) Selenium $5 \mu g/1$ Chronic aq. toxicity (CTR) Zinc (filtered) 100 μg/1 Basin Plan Objective 6.5 - 8.5pН Basin Plan Objective

<u>Discharge Applicability Table Part 2</u>: Applicability of sediment elutriate and solids analysis for effluent discharges from the disposal site and dredge site impacts.

Constituent	soluble constituents ⁵	Reference
Arsenic (filtered)	10 μg/l	Basin Plan Objective
Cadmium (filtered)	$5 \mu g/1$ ³	CA & USEPA Primary MCL
Total Chromium (filtered)	50 μg/l	CA MCL
Chromium VI (filtered)	11 μg/l	Chronic aq. toxicity (CTR)
Copper (filtered)	10 μg/l	Basin Plan Objective
Lead (filtered)	2.5 μg/1 ⁴	Chronic aq. toxicity (CTR)
Mercury	0.05 μg/l	CTR Human Health
Nickel (filtered)	52 μg/l ⁴	Chronic aq. toxicity (CTR)
Selenium	5 μg/l	Chronic aq. toxicity (CTR)
Zinc (filtered)	100 μg/l	Basin Plan Objective
pH	6.5 - 8.5	Basin Plan Objective

Background levels of cadmium routinely exceed the 0.07 μg/l California Public Health Goal. It is not economically feasible to require dredge material to meet the lower Public Health Goal standard, so the drinking water MCL is used for the water quality objective in this permit.

Soluble concentrations shall be determined by analysis of supernatant from the modified elutriate test or standard elutriate test for Ammonia, BOD and COD.

Soluble constituents shall be extracted using the Waste Extraction Test with either deionized water or citrate buffer, depending on the ratio of neutralizing potential to acid generating potential in the dredge material.

Concentration based on chronic aquatic toxicity for an average background receiving water hardness of 100 mg/l CaCO₃. Values may be recalculated using equations from the California Toxics Rule with justification of different receiving water hardness.

<u>Discharge Applicability Table Part 2 (Continued)</u>: Applicability of sediment elutriate and solids analysis for effluent discharges from the disposal site and dredge site impacts.

Constituent	soluble constituents ⁵	Reference
EC (Specific conductivity)	700 µmhos/cm	Ag. Water Quality Goal
TDS (Total Dissolved Solids)	450 mg/l	Ag. Water Quality Goal
Chloride	106 mg/l	Ag. Water Quality Goal
Ammonia + Ammonium	See footnote ⁶	Chronic aq. tox. (EPA NAWQC)
Tributyltin	0.063 μg/l	Chronic aq. tox. (EPA NAWQC)

For the effluent: the following water criteria are based on applicable water quality objectives including the California Toxics Rule. The solids criteria are based on two assumptions: 1) these compounds will stay sorbed to the sediments and will not partition into the water column, and 2) a maximum of 100 mg/l suspended solids will be present in the effluent. For other TSS concentrations, the solid concentration of the constituent in Table A.3 can be recalculated as: (WQ criteria/ TSS) * unit conversion.

Max. Concentration of solids analysis Max. Concentration of Constituent (dry weight) soluble constituents⁵ Reference Polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH): Acenaphthene 12,000 mg/kg $1,200 \, \mu g/1$ or CTR Human Health Anthracene 96,000 mg/kg CTR Human Health or $9,600 \, \mu g/1$ Benzo(b)fluoranthene $44 \mu g/kg$ $0.0044 \, \mu g/l$ or CTR Human Health Benzo(k)fluoranthene 44 µg/kg or $0.0044 \, \mu g/1$ CTR Human Health Benzo(a)pyrene 44 μg/kg 0.0044 µg/1 or CTR Human Health Chrysene 44 μg/kg $0.0044 \, \mu g/l$ or CTR Human Health Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene 44 μg/kg CTR Human Health or $0.0044 \, \mu g/1$ Fluoranthene 3,000 mg/kg $300 \, \mu g/1$ CTR Human Health or Fluorene 13,000 mg/kg $1,300 \, \mu g/1$ CTR Human Health or Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 44 μg/kg $0.0044 \, \mu g/1$ CTR Human Health or Naphthalene 6,200 mg/kg 620µg/1 Chronic aq. toxicity or U.S. EPA NAWOC Pyrene 9,600 mg/kg 960 μg/1 CTR Human Health Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCB): 1.7 µg/kg or 0.00017 µg/l CTR Human Health (Total sum) (Sum of PCBs in elutriate) Organophosphorous Pesticides: Chlorpyrifos $0.014 \, \mu g/l$ CA DFG Chronic FW Aquatic Life protection Diazinon $0.05 \mu g/1$ CA DFG Chronic FW Aquatic Life protection

Soluble concentrations shall be determined by analysis of supernatant from the modified elutriate test or standard elutriate test for Ammonia, BOD and COD.

Ammonia and ammonium concentrations will be calculated based on the pH and temperature of the receiving water according to the following formula:
CCC={[0.0577/(1+10 ^{7.688-pH})] + [2.487/(1+10 ^{pH-7.688})]} x {MIN[2.85, 1.45x10^{0.028x(25-T)}]}

<u>Discharge Applicability Table Part 2 (Continued)</u>: Applicability of sediment elutriate and solids analysis for effluent discharges from the disposal site and dredge site impacts.

Maximum	concentration	of
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Constituent	soluble constituents	5 Reference
Dimethioate	1.0 μg/l	DHS California State Action Level (toxicity)
Malathion	$0.43 \mu g/1$	CA DFG Max 1-hr conc. FW Aq. Life protection
Parathion	0.013 µg/l	USEPA NAWQC Chronic FW aquatic life
Phorate	0.7 μg/1	National Academy of Sciences Drinking Water Health Advisory

Organochlorine Pesticides:

The Basin Plan for the Sacramento River Basin and San Joaquin River Basin (Fourth Edition) states: "Total identifiable persistent chlorinated hydrocarbon pesticides shall not be present in the water column at concentrations detectable within the accuracy of analytical methods approved by the Environmental Protection Agency or the Executive Officer." (pg III-6.00 of 1998 Water Quality Control Plan, Fourth Edition) The method detection limits listed below are from Table 2d of Appendix 4 of the State Implementation Plan (*Policy for Implementation of Toxics Standards for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries of California*, 2000).

Constituent	Max. Concentration of soluble constituents ⁵
Aldrin	ND (<0.005 μg/l)
Alpha BHC	ND (<0.01 μg/l)
Beta BHC	ND ($<0.005 \mu g/l$)
Gamma BHC (Lindane)	ND ($<0.02 \mu g/l$)
Chlordane	ND ($<0.1 \mu g/l$)
4,4-DDD	ND (<0.05 μg/l)
4,4-DDE	ND (<0.05 μg/l)
4,4-DDT	ND (<0.01 μg/l)
Dieldrin	ND ($<0.01 \mu g/l$)
Endosulfan I	ND (<0.02 μg/l)
Endosulfan II	ND (<0.01 μg/l)
Endosulfan sulfate	ND (<0.05 μg/l)
Endrin	ND ($<0.01 \mu g/l$)
Endrin aldehyde	ND (<0.01 µg/l)
Heptachlor	ND ($<0.01 \mu g/l$)
Heptachlor epoxide	ND ($<0.01 \mu g/l$)
Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	ND ($<0.01 \mu g/l$)
Methoxychlor	ND ($<0.1 \mu g/l$)
Toxaphene	ND ($<0.5 \mu g/1$)

⁵ Soluble constituents determined by analysis of supernatant from modified elutriate test.

Figure 1: HUMAN EXPOSURE TO DREDGED MATERIAL

Values developed by USEPA as tools for evaluating and cleaning up contaminated sites.

Calculates exposure levels to humans based on a common set of exposure pathways and behavior patterns.

PRG

Preliminary Remediation Goals

DOES NOT consider exposure pathways from groundwater <u>Exposure pathways included</u> Ingestion of soil

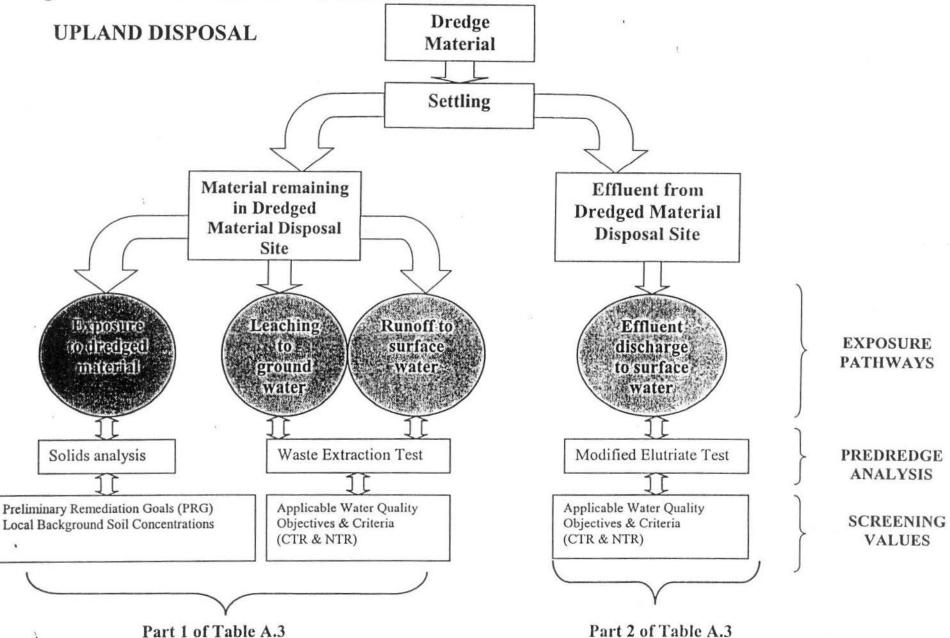
Inhalation of particulates Inhalation of volatiles Dermal adsorption

Risk Evaluation

10⁻⁶ cancer risk for carcinogens Hazard quotient=1 for non-carcinogens

*** NOTE: The EPA Residential Preliminary Remediation Goal (PRG) was used as a screening value. The average California soil concentrations of Arsenic, Nickel and Chromium are above PRG values, so average local background soil concentrations will be used as a screening value for those constituents.

Figure 2: EXPOSURE PATHWAYS EXPLANATION:



ATTACHMENT B

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

RESOLUTION NO. R5-2003-0117

AMENDING WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER NO. 5-01-116

UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS,
PORT OF SACRAMENTO, AND PORT OF STOCKTON

SACRAMENTO DEEP WATER SHIP CHANNEL MAINTENANCE DREDGING ACTIVITIES
CHANNEL MILE 0.0 to 43.4

STOCKTON DEEP WATER SHIP CHANNEL MAINTENANCE DREDGING ACTIVITIES
CHANNEL MILE 0.0 to 15.0

CONTRA COSTA, SACRAMENTO, SAN JOAQUIN, SOLANO AND YOLO COUNTIES

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, (hereafter Regional Board) finds:

- 1. On 11 May 2001, the Regional Board adopted General Order Waste Discharge Requirements (General Order) and Monitoring and Reporting Program Order No. 5-01-116, prescribing waste discharge requirements for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Port of Sacramento.
- 2. The maintenance dredging activities regulated in General Order No. 5-01-116 include disposal or discharge of dredge sediments into diked disposal sites on land, discharges of effluent from the Dredge Material Disposal (DMD) sites into surface water, pre-dredge sampling, and water quality monitoring during dredging operations.
- 3. In General Order No. 5-01-116, maintenance dredging was defined as maintenance of the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel to a depth of 30 feet (plus two-foot allowable overdredge) for navigation of ship traffic to the Port of Sacramento. Maintenance dredging also included a section of 35-foot depth from the Port of Sacramento at River Mile 43.4 to the western boundary of Region 5 near Collinville (approximately mile 0 of the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel). This resolution adds maintenance dredging of the Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel, from River Mile 0.0 to 15.0.
- 4. The Sacramento River and San Joaquin River both discharge to Suisun Bay and are separated near their respective western boundaries by Sherman Island. The DMD site known as Augusto Pit for the Sacramento Channel is situated on Sherman Island.
- 5. General Order WDR Order No. 5-01-115 prescribes requirements for dredging of the Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel, which is situated in the San Joaquin River. However, General Order WDR No.5-01-115 does not contain DMD sites for the western portion of the San Joaquin River. Previously, the Executive Officer was authorized to issue waivers of waste discharge requirements for dredging operations in accordance with Resolution 82-036. That resolution

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did not place a numeric limit on the discharge amount. Effective 1 January 2003, all the old waivers expired. The Regional Board adopted a new waiver resolution in January 2003, and it includes a waiver category for minor dredging operations. However, the new waiver resolution restricts the size of projects eligible for coverage to those with a discharge less than 1,000 cubic yards of dredge materials.

- 6. Recent sedimentation in the San Joaquin River has created several shoals in the Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel near Sherman Island that present a potential hazard to ship navigation. In order to maintain ship navigation in the Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel, the identified shoals must be dredged. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' bathymetric survey indicates that more than 1,000 cubic yards of sediment needs to be dredged to remove the shoals.
- 7. In order to facilitate dredging operations in the Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers requested that General Order No. 5-01-116 be amended to allow the the DMD site known as Augusto Pit to accept dredge materials from both the Stockton and Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channels. The Port of Sacramento has requested that the time period for discharging dredge material from the San Joaquin River to the Augusto Pit be limited to the 2003 dredging season.
- 8. General Order Nos. 5-01-115 and 5-01-116 both prescribe requirements for maintenance dredging of ship channels and contain similar discharge and monitoring requirements. For each proposed dredging project, the Discharger must submit a Notice of Intent, which includes analysis of the sediments to be dredged. The Executive Officer only issues a Notice of Applicability for the project if the sediment will not impact water quality.
- 9. This resolution adds the Port of Stockton as an additional discharger to General Order WDR Order No. 5-01-116. For projects situated in the Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel, the Port of Stockton and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers shall submit the Notices of Intent. For projects situated within the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel, the Port of Sacramento and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers shall submit the Notices of Intent.
- 10. The beneficial uses of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta are municipal supply; domestic supply; agricultural irrigation; process; service supply; water contact recreation; noncontact water recreation; warm fresh water habitat; cold fresh water habitat; warm water migration; cold water migration; warm water spawning; wildlife habitat; and navigation.
- 11. The action to update General Order No. 5-01-116 is exempt from the provisions of the CEQA, in accordance with Title 14, California Code of Regulations (CCR), Section 15301.
- 12. The Regional Board has notified the Discharger and interested parties of its intent to amend waste discharge requirements for this discharge and has provided them with an opportunity for a public hearing and an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.

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- 13. The Regional Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the discharge.
- 14. This Order shall amend General Order Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 5-01-116, and shall take effect upon the date of hearing.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that General Order Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 5-01-116 is amended solely to include the Port of Stockton as a Discharger and to allow the discharge of sediment dredged from the Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel, between San Joaquin River Mile 0.0 to River Mile 15.0, to the Augusto Pit situated on Sherman Island. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Port of Sacramento and the Port of Stockton, their agents, successors and assigns, in order to meet the provisions contained in Division 7 of the California Water Code and regulations adopted thereunder, shall comply with Amended Order No. 5-01-116:

- Page 1 Change, all references that specify the Dischargers, to read:
 United States Army Corps of Engineers, Port of Sacramento, and Port of Stockton
- Page 1 Change all titles, headers and references, to read:
 UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, PORT OF SACRAMENTO, AND
 PORT OF STOCKTON
 SACRAMENTO DEEP WATER SHIP CHANNEL MAINTENANCE DREDGING
 ACTIVITIES CHANNEL MILE 0.0 to 43.4
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- Page 1 Insert New Finding No. 3, renumber all remaining findings and references, to read: On 11 May 2001, the Regional Board adopted General Order Waste Discharge Requirements and Monitoring and Reporting Program Order No. 5-01-115, prescribing waste discharge requirements for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Port of Stockton. Both General Order Nos. 5-01-115 and 5-01-116 prescribe requirements for maintenance dredging of ship channels and have similar discharge and monitoring requirements.
- Page 1 Modified (New) Finding No. 4 to read:
 Under this General Order, maintenance dredging is defined as maintenance of the
 Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel to a depth of 30 feet (plus two-foot allowable
 overdredge) for navigation of ship traffic to the Port of Sacramento and the maintenance
 of the Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel to a 35-foot depth for the navigation of ship
 traffic to the Port of Stockton. Maintenance dredging also includes a section of 35-foot

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depth from the Port of Sacramento to River Mile (RM) 35, which was deepened in a previous project. This General Order is for maintenance dredging activities from the turning basin in the Port of Sacramento at River Mile 43.4, to the western boundary of Region 5 near Collinsville (approximately mile 0 of the Sacramento River's Deep Water Ship Channel) and the maintenance operation from Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel between San Joaquin River Mile 0.0 to River Mile 15.0. The material from the Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel may be discharged to the DMD site on Sherman Island known as Augusto Pit, designated as S-20, for the period of time of July 2003 through December 2003 and upon receipt of a Notice of Applicability. See Attachment "A", incorporated herein and made part of this Order.

I, THOMAS R. PINKOS, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, on 11 July 2003.

THOMAS R. PINKOS, Executive Officer