

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Newark Bay Study Area Coordination Team Meeting, 10 June 08

1. The regularly scheduled monthly interagency coordination meeting was held on June 10, 2008 at the USEPA offices to discuss the USACE and EPA activities in the Newark Bay Study Area (NBSA). Attendees are as follows:

Thomas Shea	USACE, NY District	Project Manager (Harbor)
Bryce Wisemiller	USACE, NY District	Project Manager (Harbor)
Patricia Donohue	USACE, NY District	Project Manager (Ops Div)
Christopher Mallery	USACE, NY District	Chief, Enforcement Section
Elizabeth Butler	USEPA, Region 2	Project Manager
Amelia Wagner	USEPA, Region 2	Attorney
Via conference phone:		
Richard Tomer	USACE, NY District	Chief, Regulatory Branch
Ellen Simon	USACE, NY District	Assistant District Counsel
Elizabeth Buckrucker	USACE, Kansas City	Project Manager
Marc Helman	PANYNJ	Environmental Coordinator

2. The following is a summary of the discussions held during the monthly coordination meeting:

a. Dredging of upland material in Area A1 of the S-NB-1 contract by GLDD will commence next week with the dredge #51 (see attached figure showing contract areas). Drilling and blasting in Area D with the drill boat APACHE will continue for the next month. Non-HARS material dredged to date - 277,442 CY; HARS material dredged to date - 962,972 CY.

b. Bryce Wisemiller reported that the field work for the Near Field Turbidity/Total Suspended Solid pilot study and the Stratified Sampling work are complete. The data report for the stratified sampling work and the draft report for the NFFTSS Pilot study for both efforts are expected to be available in late July/early August timeframe. He also stated that while the award of the S-NB-2 contract is still a year or more away, his team is starting to discuss the silt curtain pilot, which will be part of the S-NB-2 contract. Additionally, a draft Far Field Turbidity report is expected to be available in the same July/August timeframe.

c. Tom Shea reported that the District received comments from Clean Ocean Action and NRDC in response to the S-E-1 HARS Placement Public Notice. Responses will be prepared and coordinated with EPA (Buddy LoBue).

d. Patricia Donohue reported that Plans and Specs for the O&M work in the Port Newark Channels are complete, Advertisement is expected in late June. Award will occur late July pending funding approval from the PA, since they are cost-sharing the work.

e. Rich Tomer provided a written status, which is attached. He also stated comments have been received concerning the public notice to extend the permit for the Newark Bay Confined Disposal Facility. Comments from EPA and NRDC have been provided to the PA for responses.

f. Chris Mallery reported the PANYNJ has requested authorization for the proposed reconstruction of the wharf at Berths 36 and 63 at the Port Newark Marine Terminal, in the City of Newark, Essex County, New Jersey. The wharf had collapsed in October 2006, resulting in considerable submerged debris in the Port Newark Pierhead Channel and the Elizabeth Channel. He expects to complete the action next week.

g. EPA NBSA: Elizabeth Butler provided the following information:

- The Newark Bay data from Tierra Solution is expected on June 23rd and when received, will be posted on the ournewarkbay.org website.

- Ms. Butler and representatives from other involved agencies will be meeting with Tierra Solutions on June 17th from 9:00 to 2:00 to discuss the path forward with regard to the data evaluation.

- Ms. Butler is in the process of finalizing the SLERA.

- A joint Lower Passaic and Newark Bay meeting will be held on June 11th at 1000 hrs at the EPA. The agency only session will begin at 1000 and focus on contaminant risk and applying consistently among all related studies. The public session will consist of a status update beginning at 1300 hrs.

h. Tom Shea stated that the next NBSA public meeting will be held on July 10, 2008 at 3 p.m., in Room 2120; call in number is (917) 790-8650. All agencies are invited to attend.

3. The next NBSA Coordination Team Meeting will be at the USACE offices; call in (917) 790-8650 at 10 am on July 8, 2008. However, Elizabeth Butler is expected to be out of the office that week, so the meeting may be delayed until July 15th.

4. POC for this MFR is the undersigned at (917) 790-8304.

/s/

THOMAS J. SHEA, III
Project Manager\Co-Chair



S-NB-1 Contact Area, Basic and Option Areas

Regulatory Branch – Pending Applications in Newark Bay					
Applicant	Application Number	Type of Work	If Dredging CY & Depth	Location	Status
New York Container Terminal	2007-195-WCA	Dredging	195,000 CY to HARS, 267,000 CY with upland placement and 172,000 CY rock to artificial reef in Atlantic Ocean	Arthur Kill, Staten Island, NY	Sampling and testing plan sent to applicant 8 Mar 08
Hudson County Department of Engineering	2007-741-WSC	Fisheries Habitat Improvement Project	N/A	Newark Bay off of Stephen R. Gregg Park, Bayonne, Hudson County, NJ	Awaiting applicant's response to public notice comments
Port Authority of New York and New Jersey	2007-1531-WSC	Allow future use of existing Newark Bay Confined Disposal Facility	N/A	Newark Bay, NJ	Reviewing public notice comments
Tern Landing Development, LLC (formerly OENJ Cherokee Corporation)	2008-661-EHA	Proposed Modification of Permit Number 1997-07040	40,350 CY with upland placement in Overpeck	Newark Bay, Union Landfill County, NJ	Modification request incomplete, additional information requested May 08

Regulatory Branch – Issued Permits in Newark Bay					
Permittee	Permit Number and Project Manager	Permit Expiration Date	Type of Work	If Dredging, CY & Depth	Location
Tern Landing Development, LLC (formerly OENJ Cherokee Corporation)	1997-07040, PM: SE	4/26/2009 (Note: Some work in the NJDEP 8 Jan 08 permit would require a permit modification)	Dredging with Upland Placement	175,700	City of Elizabeth, Union County, NJ
Motiva Enterprises, LLC	1999-3620, PM: MV	1-Nov-10	Dredging with Upland Placement	38,000	Newark Bay, City of Newark
Hess Corporation (formerly Amerada Hess Corporation)	1999-11040, PM: MV	31-Aug-10	Dredging with Upland Placement	20,500	Newark Bay, City of Newark
Darling International	1999-13370, PM: MV	28-Jun-10	Dredging with Upland Placement	22,000	Newark Bay, City of Newark
Texaco Downstream Properties, Inc.	2003-01034, PM: SS	11-Apr-08	Pier Replacement and Bulkhead and Riprap for Shoreline Stabilization	N/A	Newark Bay, City of Bayonne
Port Authority of New York and New Jersey	2002-0711, PM: SS	16-Oct-12	Dredging with Upland Placement	351,000 CY Upland (HARS Placement for 254,010 CY expired on 16 Oct 05)	Berths 2-98, Port Newark/Port Elizabeth, Newark Bay
Port Authority of New York and New Jersey	2002-0711-2, PM: SS	11-Aug-14	Dredging with Upland Placement	3,000 CY Upland (HARS Placement for 60,000 CY expired on 11	Berths 2-98, Port Newark/Port Elizabeth, Newark Bay

Port Authority of New York and New Jersey	2006-57	11-Aug-15	Dredging	Aug 07) 9,000 CY Upland and 35,000 CY rock for artificial reef	Arthur Kill, NY Container Terminal, Staten Island, NY
Port Authority of New York and New Jersey	2006-3353, PM: SS	25-May-10	Dredging	47,000 CY Upland and 356,000 for HARS. Deepen Berths to -50 ft MLW	Berths 53, 55, 56, 57, 58, 60, 62, 78 (part), 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94 and 96 at Port Newark/Port Elizabeth Marine Terminal
Port Authority of New York and New Jersey	2007-00821, PM: SJ	26-Dec-09	Fender repair	N/A	Port Newark/Port Elizabeth Marine Terminal
Union County	2004-00846, PM: SE	15-Aug-08	Outfall Pipe	N/A	Newark Bay, City of Elizabeth, Union County, NJ
Hudson County Department of Engineering	2006-245, PM: SS	20-Jun-08	Outfall Pipe	N/A	Newark Bay, Hudson County, NJ
Union County (North Avenue Corridor Improvement)	2006-00478, PM: SE	29-Jun-08	Outfall Pipe	N/A	Newark Bay, Union County, NJ
Colonial Pipeline Company	2006-03298, PM: SE	8-Nov-08	Directional drilling of pipeline	N/A	Newark Bay, Essex County, NJ
Metal Management Northeast, Inc.	2005-463, PM: SE (Note: Previously shown as Application Number 2001-00871-EET)	27-Dec-10	Dock	N/A	Passaic River
Public Service Electric and Gas Services	2007-00209, PM: JC	12-Jun-09	Directional drilling to relocate pipeline	N/A	Newark Bay, City of Elizabeth, Union County, NJ
Port Authority of New York and New Jersey	2006-00501, PM: SS	17-Aug-08	Repairs to Wharf	N/A	Newark Bay, Berth 19, Port Newark, NJ

Port Authority of New York and New Jersey	2006-3232, PM: SS	11-Mar-11	Berth reconstruction, maintenance dredge, and deepen	58,000 CY Upland and 252,000 CY of Pleistocene clay to HARS, deepen to -45 feet MLW	Newark Bay, Berths 6, 8, 10, 12 and 14, Port Newark Marine Terminal, Newark, NJ
Port Authority of New York and New Jersey	2008-28, PM: LY	11-Jan-10	Repairs to Wharf	N/A	Howland Hook Marine Terminal, Staten Island, NY