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From: Josh Niemtzow
Sent: Mon 2/20/2017 6:33:11 PM
Subject: RE: Lower Passaic Dredging Info

Thanks for your help. I had a chance to look at this today. I still have a few questions, if that's not a problem.

If I understood the ROD correctly, It looks like the only part that's being dredged with navigational considerations is a 1.7 mile (maybe 2.2 mile) stretch. It also seems that the purpose of the dredging is to place this engineering cap, and only reason for a difference in depths (33 ft and 25 ft, vs 2.5 ft) is because the 1.7 is federally authorized at a certain depth?

I'm wondering if the dredging is to be deeper in this area than otherwise necessary for the remediation, because of these navigational considerations.

Thanks,
Josh

-----Original Message-----
From: Baron, Lisa A CIV CENAN CENAD (US) [mailto:Lisa.A.Baron@usace.army.mil]
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Josh-
Hello. You definitely want to go to https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A__www.ourpassaic.org&d=DQIFAg&c=euGZstcaTDllvimEN8b7jXrwqOf-v5A_CdpgnVfiiMM&r=uRoTUckf5kDF90NbjHu-K7F6GhwIGpYi2GbL4kTyXpo&m=M-jvKktA7Lw3mKoa95BC8ERN486JXg07Lzl4HcaJrgg&s=hGMKrcFZ3s5BH4NBQ-3j3SKoxSNrr9yODJNtmRel48w&e= and download USEPA's Record of Decision for the lower 8.3 mile cleanup. I looked at Hector's email and I'm not sure what the link was below. The Corps has been working with EPA as a partner on the lower 17 mile study since 2003 to remediate (EPA Superfund) and restore (Corps Water Resource Development Act) the river in partnership with NJ, NOAA and USFWS.

The Corps conducted the navigational analysis (which is on https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A__ourpassaic.org&d=DQIFAg&c=euGZstcaTDllvimEN8b7jXrwqOf-v5A_CdpgnVfiiMM&r=uRoTUckf5kDF90NbjHu-K7F6GhwIGpYi2GbL4kTyXpo&m=M-jvKktA7Lw3mKoa95BC8ERN486JXg07Lzl4HcaJrgg&s=r5hiQO9HFPfmLQQVuFNAwxGBdS4hu7dFQ1rilSOD2BU&e=) that the EPA considered when determining reasonably anticipated future use of the river. The dredging that will be conducted on the Passaic would be conducted by USEPA/PRPs as part of the superfund remedy.

The future maintenance of the channel in the lower stretch of the river (following the cleanup) would be determined based on analysis of future commercial use and need through the Corps' traditional process for Operation and Maintenance.

I hope that helps clarify. Let me know if you have any additional questions. I am copying Alice Yeh, the EPA Superfund Manager of the project if you have any specific questions about the remedial action.

Thanks!
Lisa

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: Lower Passaic Dredging Info

Hi Lisa,

I had asked Hector about the Passaic River dredging yesterday and I just wanted to follow-up via email to make sure I understood him correctly.

I had been told that the ACOE planned on dredging the Passaic River for navigational purposes. I thought this was separate from the environmental cleanup that requires removing sediments for ecological purposes. From what I gleaned from Hector, it sounds like the ACOE just assisted with the navigational analysis of the environmental dredging; that it is not a separate project from the environmental cleanup, simply that it will have a navigational purpose as well? I just wanted to clear this up.

Has it been determined who will perform the dredging and how much it will cost?

Thank you for your help,
Josh

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Hi Mr. Niemtzow,

Per our discussion, below is a link to Our Blockedhttps://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A__Passaic.org&d=DQIFAg&c=euGZstcaTDllvimEN8b7jXrwqOf-v5A_CdpgnVfiiMM&r=uRoTUckf5kDF90NbjHu-K7F6GhwIGpYi2GbL4kTyXpo&m=sYYG7JuC4Bpdi3goSIIpcCv-

XH5PzneoLppEpiOeGWg&s=yBPyH29MN1YEZHI3gCYmiBARRHDXUCJddaacZ7u2gbQ&e= webpage, which has general background info, fact sheets, etc., on the Lower Passaic River Cleanup.

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Also below is Lisa Baron, project manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District, she is the subject matter expert for the Hudson-Raritan Comprehensive Restoration Plan, which also includes the Lower Passaic.

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Let us know if you have any additional questions.

Regards,

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