

Sediment Case Studies

The Contaminated Sediment External Advisory Group (CSEAG) identified the sediment site management decision making processes within the Department as an issue they would like to discuss. In order to provide the best response, we (Department staff) are requesting members of the CSEAG provide specific examples that we can work through as case studies to see where internal and external processes can be improved.

We are requesting that CSEAG members identify preliminary cases for consideration by September 11, 2015 and submit them to the Department CSEAG Team Leaders (Galarneau and Robinson). We will discuss the case studies evaluation process at our upcoming meeting (September 16th) and set a date for meeting on the case studies. After receiving the case studies a subset of cases will be selected that cover the spectrum of issues of concern. Once the sites are identified the entire CSEAG will meet to discuss them.

The case studies submitted for consideration should include the following information:

1. Site name.
2. Site location (including a map showing the extent of the area for the case study).
3. Was the project maintenance/navigation dredging, a stand-alone sediment cleanup or part of a comprehensive (on-land and sediment) cleanup? Part of a waterfront redevelopment project?
4. Type of site/project. For instance, is there a responsible party? If not, is this a brownfield, small scale navigation dredging project, other?
5. What agency/program was the lead (e.g. Department – Water or Remediation & Redevelopment; EPA – RCRA, Superfund or Legacy)? Was there involvement from other state/federal agencies?
6. Did the project involve dredging more than 3,000 cubic yards of sediment?
7. Was the dredge project conducted on either Lake Michigan or Lake Superior or one of the impacted rivers (i.e. Brule, Fox, Menominee, Milwaukee, Mississippi, Sheboygan or Wisconsin)?
8. How was the project funded (e.g. RP lead, Legacy, State-funded Response, etc...)?
9. Issues/problems identified – please be specific.
10. What worked well - please be specific.
11. What improvements to the process do you recommend?
12. Any other issues or concerns relating to the case study site?

Please send the information via email to either John Robinson at John.Robinson@wisconsin.gov or Steve Galarneau at Stephen.Galarneau@wisconsin.gov by Friday, September 11, 2015.