

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
 LOS ANGELES REGION  
 MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM NO. 8212  
 FOR  
 PORT OF LOS ANGELES  
 (BERTHS 167-169 MAINTENANCE DREDGING)  
 (FILE NO. 00-092)**

Receiving Water Monitoring

The following sampling protocol shall be undertaken during the dredging and/or fill project. Sampling for the receiving water monitoring shall commence at least one week prior to the start of the dredging and fill operations and continue at least one week following the completion of all such operations. Sampling shall be conducted a minimum of once a week during dredging operations. Sampling shall be conducted down current of the dredge sites at least one hour after the start of dredging operations. All receiving water monitoring data shall be obtained via grab samples or remote electronic detection equipment. Receiving water samples shall be taken at the following stations:

| <u>Station</u> | <u>Description</u>   |
|----------------|--|
| A              | 30.5 meters (100 feet) up current of the dredging operations, safety permitting.   |
| B              | 30.5 meters (100 feet) down current of the dredging operations, safety permitting. |
| C              | 91.5 meters (300 feet) down current of the dredging operations,                    |
| D              | Control site (area not affected by dredging operations).                           |

The following shall constitute the receiving water monitoring program:

Water Column Monitoring

| <u>Parameters</u>                | <u>Units</u>    | <u>Station</u> | <u>Frequency</u>    |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Dissolved oxygen <sup>1</sup>    | mg/l            | A thru D       | Weekly <sup>2</sup> |
| Light transmittance <sup>1</sup> | % Transmittance | " "            | "                   |
| pH <sup>1</sup>                  | pH units        | " "            | "                   |
| Suspended solids <sup>3</sup>    | mg/l            | " "            | Twice Monthly       |

<sup>1</sup>Measurements shall be taken throughout the water column (at a minimum, at 2-meter increments).

<sup>2</sup>During the first two weeks of dredging, stations shall be sampled four times per week.

<sup>3</sup>Mid-depth shall be sampled.

Water column light transmittance values from Stations C and D shall be averaged for the near surface (1 meter below the surface), mid-water and bottom (1 meter above the bottom). If the difference in % light transmittance is 30% or greater (based on a comparison of the averaged values at the two stations), water samples shall be collected at mid-depth (or the depth at which the maximum turbidity occurs) and analyzed for trace metals, DDTs, PCBs and PAHs. At a minimum, one set of water samples shall be collected and analyzed for these chemical constituents during the maintenance dredging operation.

Color photographs shall be taken at the time of sampling to record the presence and extent of visible effects of dredging operations. These photographs shall be submitted with the receiving water monitoring reports.

The discharger shall provide Regional Board staff with a receiving water monitoring program field schedule at least one week prior to initiating the program. Regional Board staff shall be notified of any changes in the field schedule at least 48 hours in advance.

#### OBSERVATIONS

The following receiving water observations shall be made and logged daily during dredging or excavating operations:

- a. Date and time;
- b. Direction and estimated speed of currents;
- c. General weather conditions and wind velocity;
- d. Tide stage;
- e. Appearance of trash, floatable material, grease, oil or oily slick, or other objectionable materials;
- f. Discoloration and/or turbidity;
- g. Odors;
- h. Depth of dredge operations during previous day;
- i. Amount of material dredged the previous day;
- j. Cumulative total amount of material dredged to date.

### GENERAL PROVISIONS

All sampling, sample preservation, and analyses shall be performed in accordance with the latest edition of "Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures for Analysis of Pollutants" promulgated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

All chemical analyses shall be conducted at a laboratory certified for such analysis by the State Department of Health Services, or approved by the Executive Officer.

The discharger shall calibrate and perform maintenance procedures on all monitoring instruments and equipment to insure accuracy of measurements, or shall insure that both activities will be conducted.

A grab sample is defined as an individual sample collected in fewer than 15 minutes.

All samples shall be representative of the waste discharge under normal operating conditions.

### REPORTING

Monitoring reports shall be submitted within 10 days following each weekly sampling period. In reporting, the discharger shall arrange the monitoring data in tabular form so that dates, time, parameters, test data, and observations are readily discernible. The data shall be summarized to demonstrate compliance with the waste discharge requirements. A final report, summarizing the results of the weekly monitoring and reporting the total volume discharged, shall be submitted within one month of completion of the project.

Each monitoring report must affirm in writing that:

All analyses were conducted at a laboratory certified for such analyses by the State Water Resources Control Board or approved by the Executive Officer and in accordance with current EPA guidelines or as specified in the Monitoring Program.

For any analysis performed for which no procedure is specified in the EPA guidelines or in the Monitoring Program, the constituent or parameter analyzed and the method or procedure used must be specified in the report.

### GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR REPORTING

For every item where the requirements are not met, the discharger shall submit a statement of the actions undertaken or proposed which will bring the discharge into full compliance with requirements at the earliest time and submit a timetable for correction.

Each report shall contain the following completed declaration:

"I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on the \_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_  
at \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_(Title)

These records and reports are public documents and shall be made available for inspection during  
business hours at the office of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles  
Region.

Ordered by:

DENNIS A. DICKERSON  
Executive Officer

Date: December 7, 2000