Portland Harbor Non-Federal Dredge Work Group

6th Meeting: August 26, 2014, 10:00am Portland City Hall, Room 209

Agenda - draft

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Review and discussion on advisory opinion requests and responses:
- 2.a. US Army Corps of Engineers
- 2.b. Maine Department of Environmental Protection
- 2.c. Maine Department of Transportation
- 3. Critical path next steps based on above discussion.
- 3.a. CAD cell locations for consideration (discussion continued)
- 3.b. Collection of existing sediment testing data for DEP
- 3.c. Timing for contracting feasibility, design, and permitting service for CAD cell
- 4. Set date for next meeting

Mission Statement and Goals - Working Draft as of 3-10-14

The Portland Harbor Non-Federal Dredge Workgroup (NFD) seeks to facilitate the dredging of private and municipal piers and wharfs of Portland Harbor, conducted in an economically feasible, environmentally sound, and politically/socially acceptable manner.

Goals:

- 1. The NFD will explore alternatives to achieve the mission by evaluating disposal options including:
 - CAD Cell development (new 404 site in Portland Harbor)
 - Upland disposal
 - At-Sea disposal (federal site)
 - No-build (dredge) options
- 2. The NFD will engage with impacted communities with a participatory process including:
 - Documentation and dissemination of past efforts and materials
 - Accessible meetings open to all interested parties
 - Active outreach to impacted communities (Zone F Lobster Council outreach began on 2-26-14)
- 3. The NFD will identify appropriate entities to apply for needed permits at appropriate project stages.
- 4. The NFD will seek funding, for use by the NFD or others, to achieve its mission. Information required to advance funding requests includes:
 - Testing of dredge sediments (Brownfield assessment grant applied for by Harbor Commission.)
 - Cost Estimates
 - Fund Sources, including State Transportation Bond Funding, and pathways to access funds.