Portland Harbor Dredge Work Group

5th Meeting: May 21, 2014, 1:00pm
Portland City Hall, Council Chambers

Agenda – draft

1. Review of CAD Cell site under discussion from 4-15-14
2. Permitting and sediment testing requirements for the specific site.
3. Data collection and subsurface survey requirements.
4. Outreach
5. Requirements for accessing State Bond funds to begin the design and permitting process.
6. Update on Brownfields Grant (if any)
7. Continued discussion of potential entities to act as CAD site applicant/manager
8. Next steps

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.