

July 15, 2020

Hunter Young
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Re: June 2020 Monthly Progress Report
Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Removal Action
EPA Region 10 Docket No. CERCLA 10-2009-0255
Gasco Sediments Site within the Portland Harbor Superfund Site

Dear Mr. Young,

This monthly progress report provides information required by Section VIII, Paragraph 26, of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Removal Action (Order) for actions taken in June 2020 at the Gasco Sediments Site within the Portland Harbor Superfund Site.

1. Actions Taken in This Month and Problems Encountered

The following actions and correspondences occurred in this month:

- June 1 through 30 – Anchor QEA continued analytical laboratory coordination and data validation and initiated evaluation of the *Pre-Remedial Design Data Gaps Work Plan* (Work Plan) sampling results.
- June 15 – Anchor QEA submitted the May Gasco Sediments Site monthly progress report.
- June 16 – Anchor QEA submitted the *Sufficiency Assessment*.
- June 26 – Anchor QEA performed the monthly visual monitoring of the shoreline area in the direct vicinity of the pilot cap.

2. Results of Sampling, Tests, and Other Data Received

The results of the monthly visual monitoring of the shoreline area in the direct vicinity of the pilot cap are provided as Attachment A. Some preliminary and final validated data were received that were collected as part of the Work Plan.

3. Schedule of Activities for the Next Month

Anchor QEA anticipates the following activities to occur in the next month:

- Submit the July Gasco Sediments Site monthly progress report.

- Complete monthly visual monitoring of the shoreline area in the direct vicinity of the pilot cap area.
- Continue analytical laboratory coordination and data validation and evaluation of the Work Plan sampling results.

4. Anticipated Problems and Proposed Resolutions

No problems or unforeseen conditions were encountered.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,



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Attachment

Attachment A Monthly Visual Monitoring Report for Pilot Cap Vicinity

Visual Observations Log Form

June 26, 2020

Project: NW Natural – Gasco

Project Number: 000029-02.64, Task 4

Location: NW Natural “Gasco” Site

Monitoring Period: Monthly (Year 14)—June 2020

Observations Started: June 26, 2020 @ 14:30

Observations Concluded: June 26, 2020 @ 15:30

Photographs Taken: Yes: No:

Recorded by: Douglas Laffoon

Weather Conditions

Sunny, 84°F, light wind from the northwest

Wave Action Observations

Very light wave action (0.1–0.2 foot in height)

Tidal Conditions

Willamette River level on 6/26/2020 ranged in elevation 7.27 to 8.22 feet. The Willamette River level during the photos in this report is approximately 7.73 feet measured at 14:45 (River Level Elevation Datum: Morrison Gage Height).

Observations of Erosion/Deposition

No erosion was evident along the shoreline. Some minor woody debris was noted along the shoreline.

Observations of Long-term Controls (i.e., oil booms, organo-clay mat, etc.)

During the observation, the PacTerm containment boom was in place, as normal, from dock to dolphin. The three buoys identifying the cap area to mariners were in place as installed. The positions of the PacTerm oil boom and warning buoys are shown in Photo 1.

Previously exposed organoclay mat material segments were not visible due to high river water elevations (Photo 2).

Other Comments

No sheen was observed. Photo 3 shows the water surface and shoreline immediately downriver of the sediment cap.

Photos

Photo 1
PacTerm Oil Boom Placement from Dock to Dolphin with Three Mariner Warning Buoys at Pilot Cap Area (6/26/2020)



Photo 2
Mat Material Not Visible Due to High River Water Elevation (6/26/2020)



Photo 3
Conditions Immediately Downriver of Cap Area (6/26/2020)

