

Cement Stabilization for Managing Oil-Impacted Dredged Material Planned for Disposal in a CDF



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Middle Harbor Redevelopment Project (Existing)



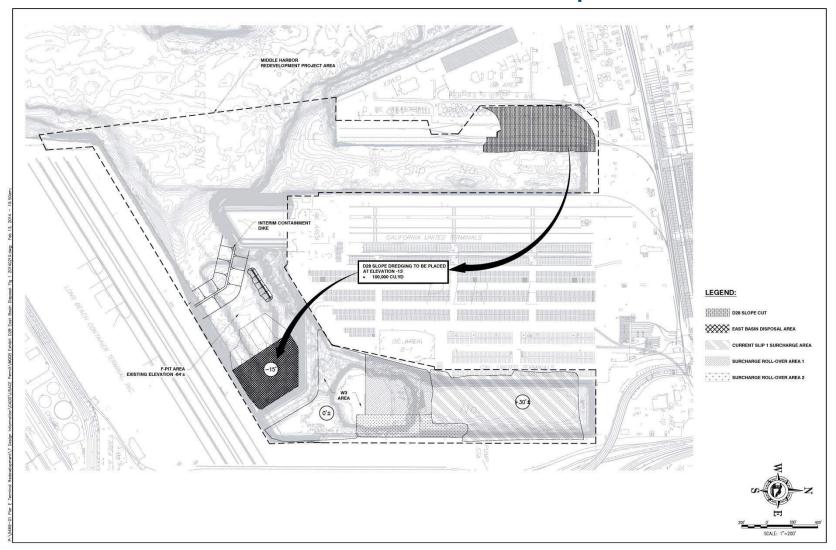
 Consolidate two irregular older facilities into one efficient, 345-acre, rectangular-shaped terminal

Middle Harbor Redevelopment Project (Completed)



 Construction will occur in two phases, each with multiple stages, over a 10-year period

The Middle Harbor Redevelopment Site



Oil Timeline of Events

- April 2013
 - Oil sheen first encountered along
 D28 cut
 - Stop work ordered by the Port
 - Developed BMPs with Coast Guard to manage sheen
 - Absorbent pads and booms in water and barge
 - Disposal to fill site behind containment dike after "cleaning" to keep isolated from F berth
 - Dredging resumed within 7 days
 - PTS Services added to construction team to provide 24/7 services during dredging of D28







Oil Timeline of Events



• April 2014

- Dredging D28 cut Manson encountered free product oil
- Old, heavy, weathered material mixed with
 1,100 cy of sand

- Exceeded capabilities of existing BMPs
- Dredging suspended immediately
- Port CM started looking for solutions

BMPs Considered

- Potential options considered removing the oil from the barge or hauling to a waste facility for disposal
 - Removal of oil using a vacuum truck
 - Ineffective after 3 days of pumping and remixing in barge
 - Costs and schedule delays not manageable
 - Upland disposal
 - Required permitting and constructing an offloading area
 - Securing a contract for waste disposal
 - Loss of sandy material from the fill site
 - Estimated costs of \$300,000 per barge for disposal
 - Binding of oil with amendments

Oil Amendment

- Previously developed and demonstrated for CSTF
- Project needs during active construction
 - Cost-effective amendment
 - Constructible and acceptable by the contractor
 - Minimal schedule impacts
 - Oil remains bound after placement in CDF; however, could not solidify in barge
 - Acceptable to the agencies







Bench-Scale Pilot Study

- Study objectives
 - Use cement- and noncement-based additives
 - Multiple test concentrations
 - Simulate barge mixing using excavator or clamshell bucket
 - Test for leaching in seawater
 - Consider potential for delays between treatment and disposal





Bench-Scale Pilot Study

- Study design
 - Sample preparation
 - Used 5-gallon HDPE buckets
 - Each contained approximately
 6 inches of dredged sediment
 - 1-3 inches of overlying water
 - Layer of oil
 - Binding agents
 - Portland cement
 - Crudesorb (CETCO Corp.)
 - Concentrations ranging from 2-10%
 - Monitor for 48 hours





Bench-Scale Pilot Study

- 2% by weight, dry Portland cement (Type II/V)
- 5% by weight, dry Portland cement (Type II/V)
- 3% by weight, dry Portland cement (Type II/V), and increased overlying water levels to between 2 and 4 inches to evaluate the need for dewatering prior to mixing in the amendment
- 10% by weight, dry Crudesorb
- 5% by weight, dry Crudesorb
- 4% by weight, Portland cement (Type II/V) as a slurry, minimal overlying water







Bench-Scale Pilot Study Results

- Both 3% and 5% Portland cement amendments sufficiently bound oil
- Maintained binding ability for 48 hours
- Amended material combined with raw seawater to simulate the release of amended material produced no sheen
- 4% cement as a slurry was easier to mix and retained binding capacity
- Removing overlying water prior to amendment resulted in less cement to achieve binding
- None of the treatments below 5% resulted in solidified product

Bench-Scale Pilot Study Results



Prior to Amendment



4% Cement Slurry Immediately After Mixing



24 hours Post Amendment with Seawater

Bench-Scale Pilot Study Results



5% Crudesorb Immediately After Mixing



5% and 10% Crudesorb 24 hours After Mixing

POLB Middle Harbor Sediment Amendment

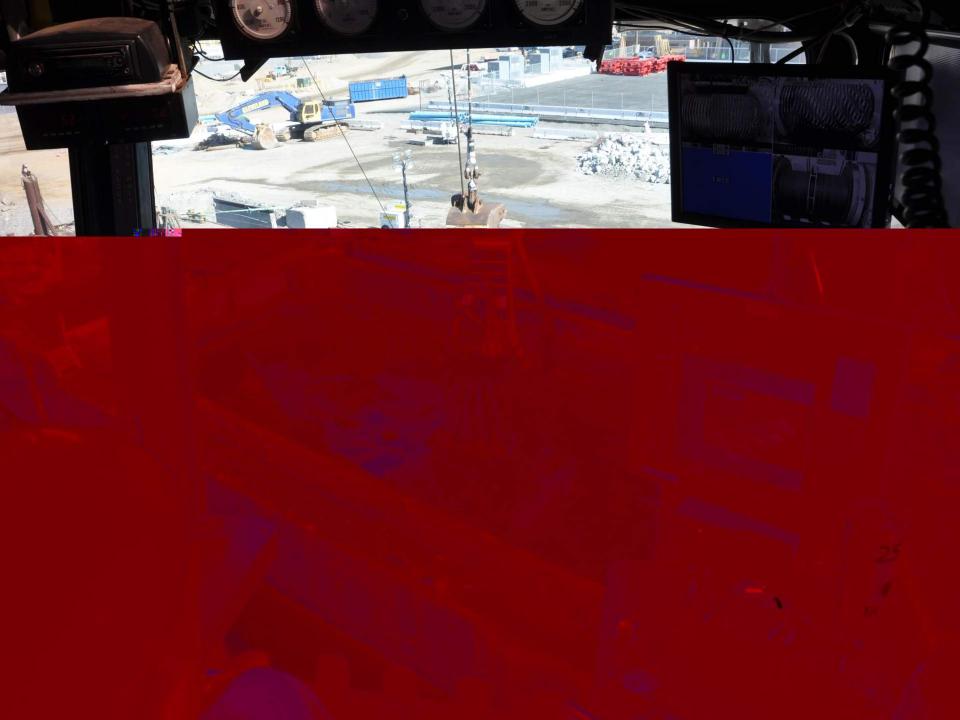




- 100 cy of cement slurry was added to 1,100 cy of impacted sediment
 - 3% by weight of cement
- Sediment and cement slurry was mixed
 - 7-cy clamshell bucket
 - 30 to 60 minutes













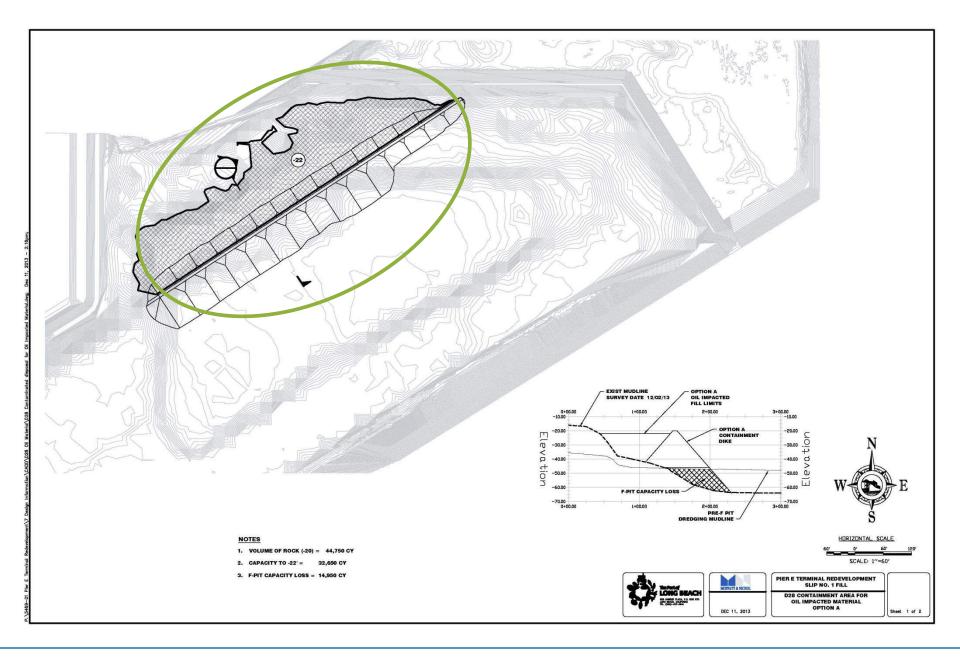






- After mixing, five samples collected from both ends of barge
 - Sent to laboratory for elutriate analysis
- Barge was delivered to East Basin fill area
 - BMPs in place prior to barge arrival
 - Oil response team immediately mobilized for light oil sheen







- Water quality monitoring
 - 24 hour post placement
- Visual monitoring
 - For 48 hours post placement



Pilot Study Analytical Results

- Elutriate testing on amended sediment
- Water column monitoring
 - Standard monitoring at project boundary
- Metals, PAHs, total petroleum hydrocarbons
- All measured values below standards

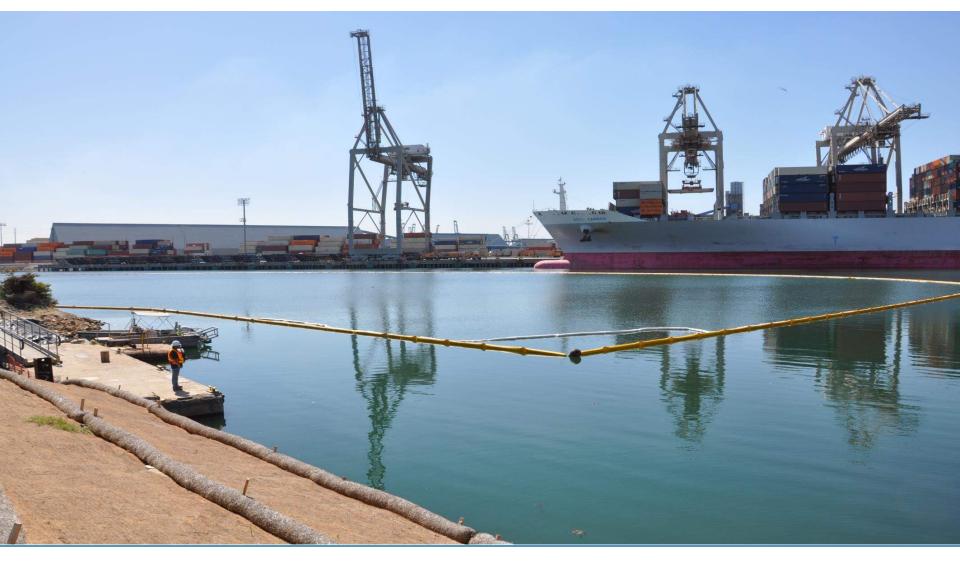












Full-Scale Field Pilot Study Conclusions

- Amending dredged material with cement slurry was effective for binding oil within sediments
- Minor oil sheen observed after treatment was consistent with routine disposal events
- Water quality monitoring and elutriate testing confirm the successful binding of oily materials
- Removing standing water prior to treatment most effective
- Costs per barge for cement treatment is \$25,000 plus equipment rental

Questions/Discussion

