



# Marine Technical Sustainability Study

Long-term Fraser Dredging Operations Program

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# Background & Approach

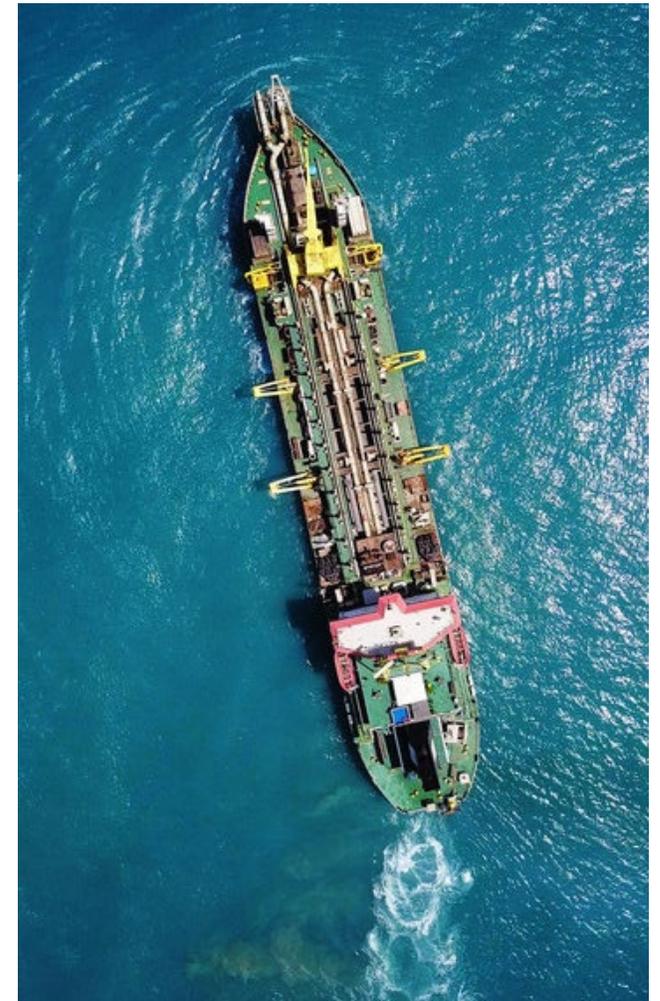
# Background

- VFPA envisions becoming the world's most sustainable port as it  
*“delivers economic prosperity through trade, maintains a healthy environment, and enables thriving communities through meaningful dialogue, shared aspirations and collective accountability”*
- VFPA has joined the Northwest Sea Alliance (NWSA) in marine cargo partnership with the Ports of Seattle and Tacoma
- The voluntary commitment includes reduction of maritime emissions to zero by 2050



# Approach

- Set baseline of dredge emissions, water quality, and in-water noise
- Research and recommend emerging technologies
- Research and recommend operational efficiency improvements to:
  - Reduce environmental impacts
  - Determine optimized dredge size
  - Utilize emerging technologies
  - Utilize alternative fuel sources



# Data Collection - Synergy

- Current Air Emissions Regulations



**B.C. Low Carbon Fuel Standard**

- Tailpipe Emissions Analysis



# Data Collection – Industry Collaborators





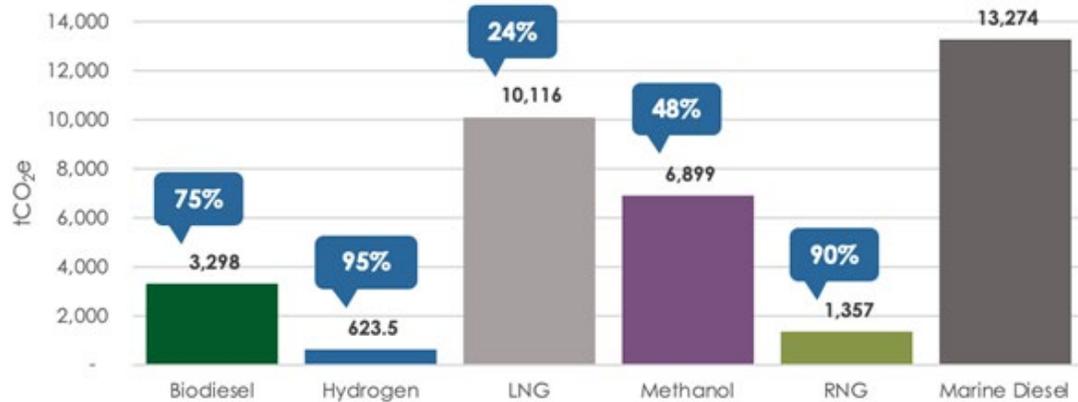
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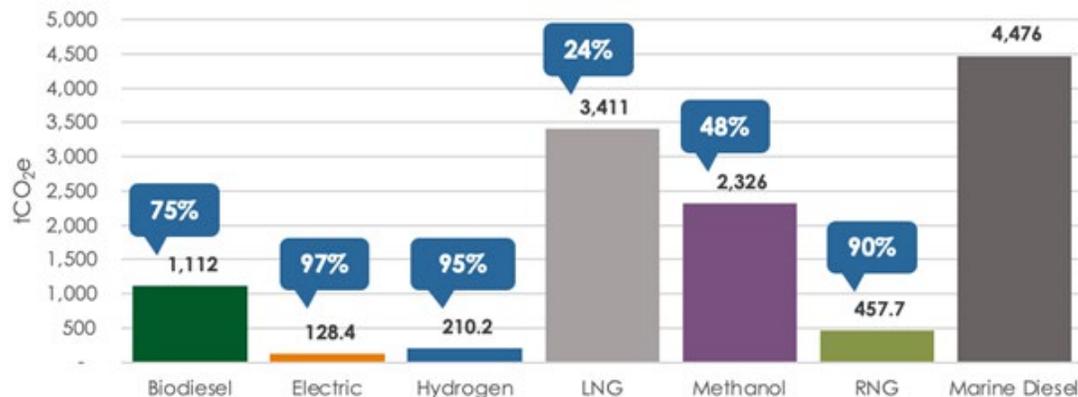
Biodiesel	LNG	RNG	Blue Hydrogen	Green Hydrogen
Organic Biomass – Canola, Corn, Soybeans, Spent Cooking Oil	Decomposition of organic matter into natural gas cooled to ~-260° F	Biofuel that has been refined to higher purity standards	A derivative of natural gas through SMR, CO <sub>2</sub> capture for disposal or beneficial use	Generated through the electrolysis of water
Commercially available in Vancouver	<b>Commercially available in Vancouver</b>	Commercially available in Vancouver	<b><u>NOT</u></b> Commercially Available in Vancouver	<b><u>NOT</u></b> Commercially Available in Vancouver
Typical Dredge Equipment	Dual Fuel TSHD	Dual Fuel TSHD		IHC Royal Low Energy Adaptive Fuel (LEAF) Dredge
Challenges	Infrastructure Development		~2.5x less energy dense than LNG Must be stored at ~ -250° C	

# Emerging Fuel Technologies

LIFECYCLE GHG EMISSIONS BY FUEL TYPE FOR THE TSHD



LIFECYCLE GHG EMISSIONS BY FUEL TYPE FOR THE CSD



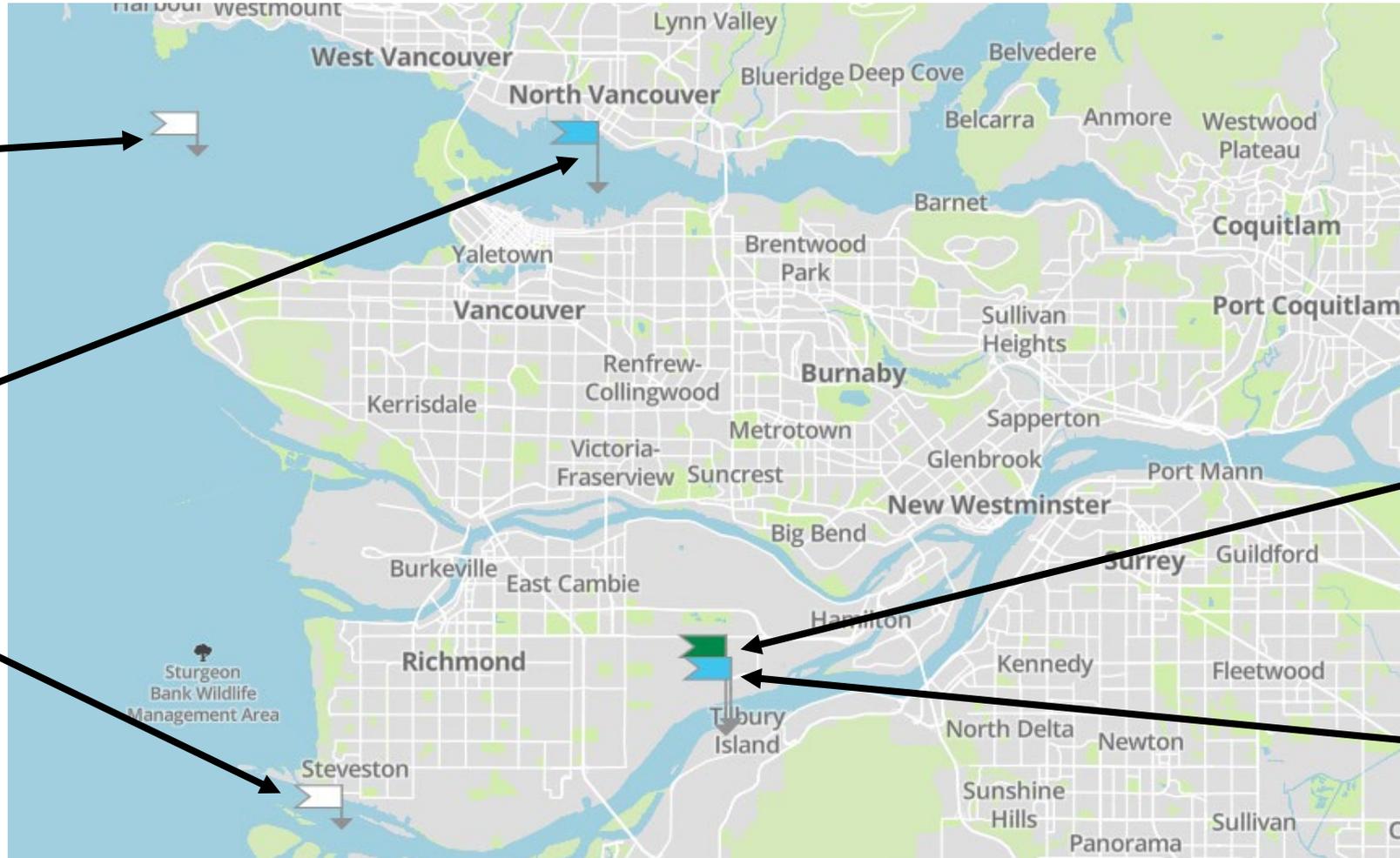
- Lifecycle analysis accounts for emissions produced at every step of production chain through transportation and combustion
- All alternative fuel options result in reduction in emissions over total lifecycle
- Electric power not considered for TSHD

# Emerging Fuel Technologies

Ship-to-Ship Bunker  
**Operator:** Cryopeak  
LNG Solutions  
**Start Date:** 2023

Ship-to-Ship +  
Shore-to-Ship Bunker  
**Operator:** Seaspan  
**Start Date:** TBD

Ship-to-Ship Bunker  
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**Start Date:** 2023



Tilbury LNG  
Liquefaction Facility  
**Operator:** Fortis BC  
**Start Date:** Currently  
Operational

Truck-to-Ship Bunker  
**Operator:** Fortis BC  
**Start Date:** Currently  
Operational

# Emerging Fuel Technologies



## Low Energy Adaptive Fuel (LEAF) dredge

- Small format developmental hopper dredge
- Powered by green hydrogen
- Designed for littoral maintenance dredging of the Dutch coastline
- Development started 2019, received AIP 2021
- Expected completion 2024

Dual-fuel TSHD in production/operation for:



# Environmental Impact

- Water Quality

- Draghead Selection

- Draghead selection based on riverine, maintenance characteristics



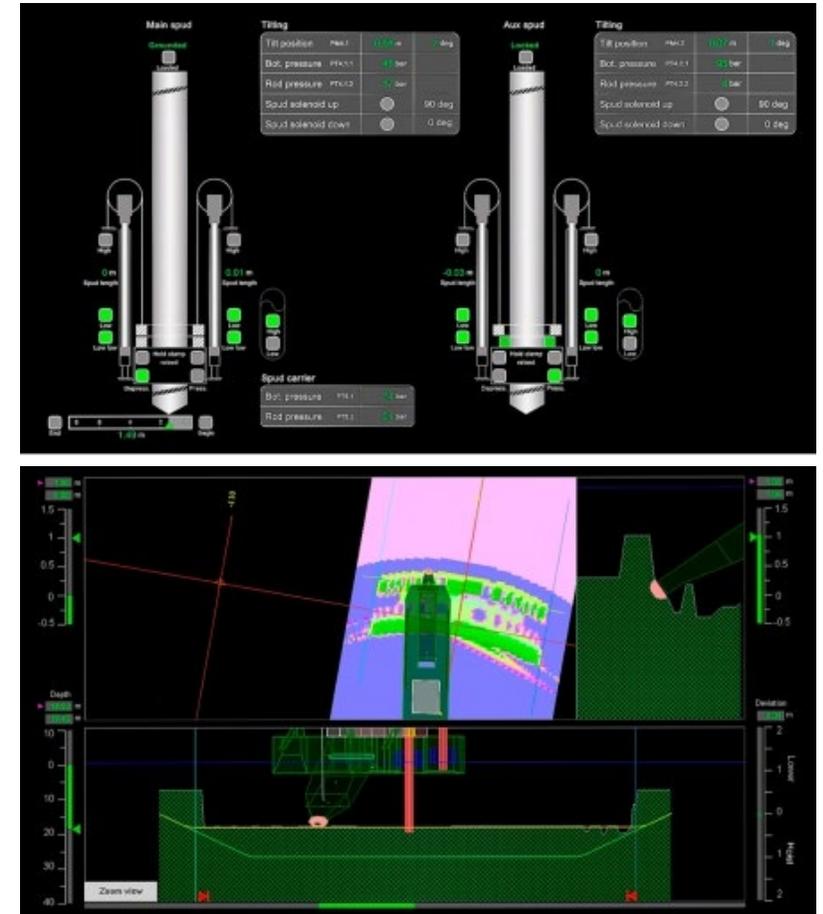
- Overflow Valves

- Butterfly (“Green”) Valves
    - IHC Royal Plumigator



# Automation

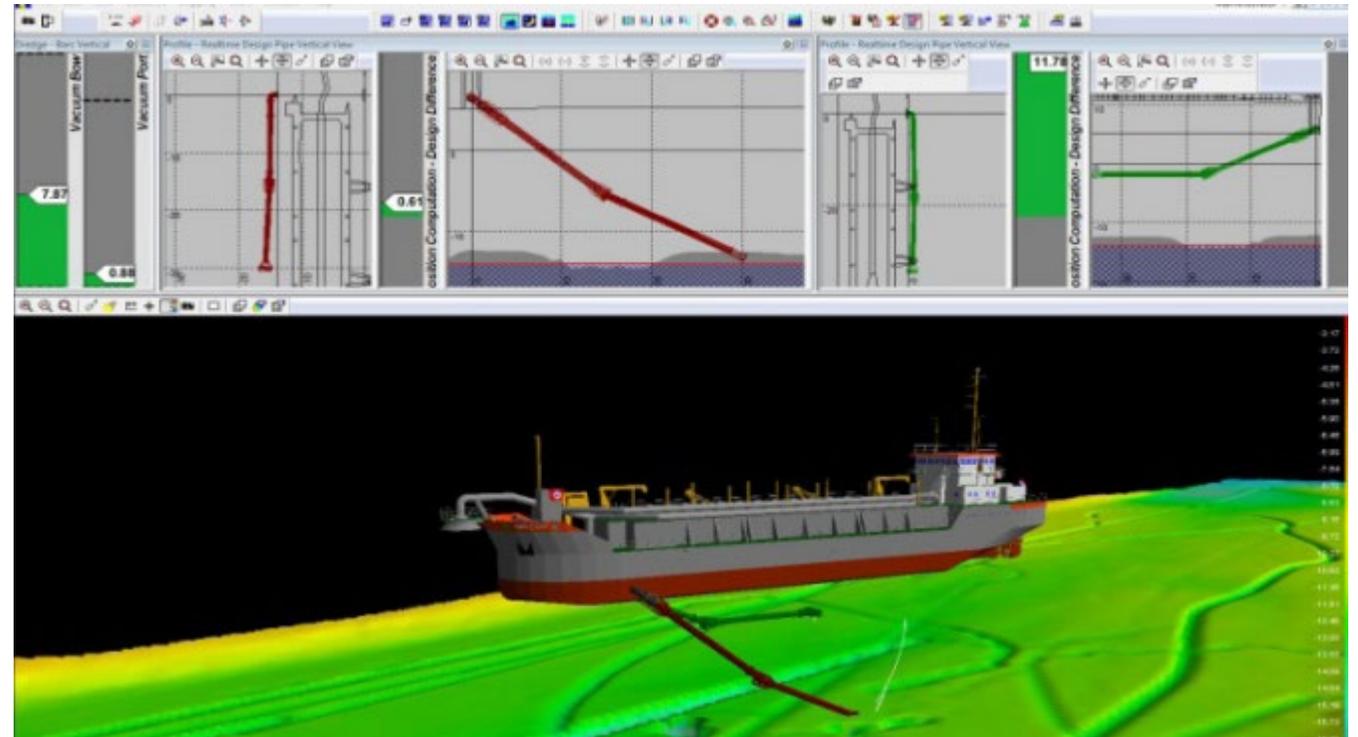
- Installed on new or existing dredges
- TSHD Automation platforms optimize dredge performance efficiency by monitoring and modifying:
  - Intake material density
  - Draghead position
  - Flow speed
  - Visor control
  - Volume of solids in hopper
  - Suction strength
  - Pipeline wear
  - Gantry positioning
  - Draft
  - Swell compensation



Examples of DCS automation retrieved from IHC Royal

# Visualization

- Teledyne PSD
  - Integration of hydrographic survey equipment and sensors
  - Feeds data collected during active dredging to the operating matrix
  - PDS provides ability to target clean-up work or avoid obstructions without survey downtime



Example of PDS visualization retrieved from Teledyne



# Specifications Assessment

# Conclusion

- Recommendations made to the port authority are intended to:
  - Reduce air emissions, turbidity, and in-water noise
  - Introduce developmental alternative fuels
  - Integrate emerging technologies such as automation, new equipment, and visualization to increase efficiency
  - Identify optimal dredge size to meet port authority objectives
  - Support port authority in its initiatives to become the World's most sustainable port

# Thank you!

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