

**COMMENCEMENT BAY NATURAL RESOURCE TRUSTEE
LONG TERM SITE STEWARDSHIP PROJECT**

MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – JUNE 7, 2011

As required under Task 2 of the Commencement Bay Natural Resource Trustee Long Term Site Stewardship Project, this memorandum reports on the progress of the project for the previous month. This project was undertaken in connection with the settlement of an enforcement action taken by the United States Environmental Protection Agency for violations of CERCLA.

I. GENERAL SITE OBSERVATIONS

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIONS TAKEN AT EACH SITE DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

Per the scope of work, the City coordinated work with both the Washington Conservation Corps (WCC) and Citizens for a Healthy Bay (CHB). In accordance with the project schedule, site monitoring visits were not performed during the month of May. The next required bi-monthly site monitoring visits will be performed in June by CHB. Specific observations or other actions taken at each site during the reporting period are noted below.

Yowkwala:

- No required site monitoring visit was performed during the reporting period.
- The WCC performed invasive removal at the site with specific attention to pepperweed.

Skookum Wulge:

- No required site monitoring visit was performed during the reporting period.
- CHB conducted an invasive removal event at the site on May 21. Volunteers helped remove approximately 24 cubic yards of ivy, blackberry, curled dock, scott's broom and wild pea from the site.
- The WCC performed invasive and garbage removal and hauled stockpiled material from the CHB volunteer event to the landfill.

Squally Beach:

- No required site monitoring visit was performed during the reporting period.
- The WCC removed garbage and invasives, specifically pepperweed, from the site.

Mowitch:

- No required site monitoring visit or other activities were performed during the reporting period.

Jordan/Lower Hylebos Marsh:

- No required site monitoring visit was performed during the reporting period.
- The WCC performed invasive removal at the site with specific attention to yellow flag iris.

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Middle Waterway – City of Tacoma:

- No required site monitoring visit was performed during the reporting period.
- The WCC performed invasive and trash removal at the site, and brushcut the reed canary grass.

Middle Waterway – Simpson:

- No required site monitoring visit was performed during the reporting period.
- The WCC performed invasive removal at the site.

Olympic View – City of Tacoma and DNR Triangle:

- No required site monitoring visit was performed during the reporting period.
- The WCC performed invasive and trash removal at the site.

Tahoma Salt Marsh:

- No required site monitoring visit was performed during the reporting period.
- The WCC did a garbage sweep at the site and also performed a pepperweed sweep.

Swan Creek:

- No required site monitoring visit was performed during the reporting period.
- The WCC performed invasive removal, specifically targeting policemen's helmet and nightshade on the island, and reed canary grass at the south end of the site. The crew also watered the native plants on the island and strung rope around the parking lot.
- CHB conducted an invasive removal event at the site on May 7. Volunteers helped remove approximately 3 cubic yards of blackberry, curled dock, herb Robert, and policemen's helmet from the site.

II. ACTIVITIES AND DELIVERABLES

DESCRIPTION OF WORK ACTIVITIES COMPLETED DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

- Specific site work activities are described above in Section I.
- An ESP Coordination Meeting with CHB was held on May 3, to discuss work performed during the reporting period and that planned for the next two months.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR THE UPCOMING REPORTING PERIOD

- ESP Coordination Meetings are scheduled for the first Tuesday of each month.
- The City will continue to work with CHB on development and implementation of their 2011 work plan and schedule for community involvement activities. The draft 2011 CHB work plan was developed based on the City's Task List which was included in

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- the Annual Report submitted for Trustee review and approval in October. The CHB work plan will be finalized upon Trustee approval of the City's Task List.
- The City will continue to coordinate WCC work to complete Priority 1 tasks as identified in the proposed 2011 work plan and address Priority 2 tasks as time permits.
 - The City will request reimbursement from the escrow account pending Trustee and EPA approval of the Year 2 Annual Accounting.
 - The City and CHB will perform bi-monthly monitoring at the sites in accordance with the Settlement Agreement.

DESCRIPTION OF DELIVERABLES SUBMITTED DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

- There were no deliverables during the reporting period.

DESCRIPTION OF DELIVERABLES PLANNED FOR THE UPCOMING REPORTING PERIOD

- There are no deliverables planned the upcoming reporting period.

PROBLEM AREAS IDENTIFIED AND PROPOSED SOLUTIONS

- There were no new problems identified during the reporting period.

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