

STFATE Runs for Manhattan Cruise Terminal Dredged Material Disposal at HARS

ERDC Dredging Operations Technical Support Program (DOTS)

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Response Summary:

Performed STFATE (Short-Term FATE of dredged material placed in open water) model runs of open water disposal of two reaches of Manhattan Cruise Terminal dredged materials at the Historic Area Remediation Site (HARS). Analyzed the standard elutriate test results for the contaminant of concern as part of the Tier 2 analysis. Analyzed the water column toxicity results to determine the dilution required for the limiting permissible concentration as part of the Tier 3 analysis. Summarized the disposal boundary offset values and time to achieve water quality compliance as a function of barge size (3500 and 6000 cubic yards) in a table documenting the results of the review and modeling for the Tier 2 contaminant of concern (Copper) and the Tier 3 limiting permissible concentrations (LPC) for all reaches.

Period of Performance:

Start date: 13 January 2025 Completion Date: 20 January 2025

Benefits of the Response to the USACE Dredging/Navigation Program:

The modeling and analysis provided the technical documentation to demonstrate water column compliance with Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA 103) requirements.

Deliverable:

The technical response to the New York District included STFATE model input and output files, spreadsheet for calculating dilution requirements and materials volumetric fractions, and a table of required placement offsets from the disposal site boundaries and times to achieve water quality compliance within the disposal site for suspended phase toxicity LPC in a Tier 3 evaluation. Evaluation of the standard elutriate results determined that the copper concentration for one reach was in exceedance of acute water quality criteria.



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