

Port Gamble Bay Cleanup CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Recent Activities: 01/04/2016

Please note the site is closed to the public! You are welcome to watch from the Port Gamble bluff. Cleanup work continues in full swing, with dredging, capping and material delivery during the daytime shifts, and intertidal work during the nighttime low tides.

The Port Gamble Bay Cleanup activities the past week included:

- The shoreline bank excavation/capping is complete for SMA-2.
- 2,059 tons of clean materials for capping arrived onsite last week, (63,200 tons to date).
- 2,889 piles have been removed.
- Fifteen loads of concrete debris were trucked off-site for disposal (2,144 tons to date).
- Over 18,000 cubic yards of sediments were removed during the intertidal excavation.
- 17,516 cubic yards of wood waste and sediments have been dredged from the subtidal area.
- Continued sampling to confirm sediment cleanup, and water quality monitoring is performed to ensure protection of the bay.

Some key planned actions during the next few weeks include:

- Ongoing work includes stockpiling and loading an array of capping materials. Import of materials will slow with the January 14, 2016 deadline for year-one in-water work.
- Nighttime shoreline bank excavation and capping is complete but additional habitat substrate material will be added to the south end of SMA-2 during next week's night time low tides.
- Dredging efforts encountered significant wood debris resulting in slow progress using a closed environmental bucket. There are now two subtidal dredging operations but some dredge work in SMA-2 will need to be finished in year two. Most of the current dredge work is to follow-up after core samples showed additional dredging is needed to complete removal of wood waste.
- Capping will continue through mid-January but some capping within SMA-2 will also need to be finished in year two.
- More in-water monitoring cores and surveys will be conducted to verify dredging and capping.
- Truck traffic remains heavy, please be careful in town! 60 -70 roundtrip truck trips per day.

Questions or concerns? Project information line: 888-707-8663; email: info@PortGambleBayCleanup.com

