

## Interim SEG Meeting Summary October 3, 2006

Attendees: Teri Beard, Larry Keegan, Hope Moorer, Tom Wright

The following tasks for the project were discussed:

- Modeling – mitigation runs are ongoing. Should be finished in December or January and then will need to be in a report form. The memorandum from the recent agency meetings are being finalized and will be posted on the website. The chloride model is in the external review process. The DO model is working on mitigation to determine how many DO units need to be used and where they should be placed in the river.
- Coastal erosion additional analysis – ERDC presentation
- CSS GA – site survey report may be finalized by November meeting.
- Air quality report – has gone to EPA for review
- TMDL – the final decision is supposed to be published by the end of October. may or may not happen.
- Sediment – a meeting was held to discuss additional sediment testing to deal with the naturally occurring cadmium in the channel sediments. Important for bio-uptake – how cadmium moves up and through the food chain
- Aquifer – still in external review
- Economics – a meeting will be called once all work is complete. Ship wake analysis has been posted.
- Ballast water – lawsuit on the West Coast brought to move the issue from Coast Guard regulation to EPA and the judge agreed. It seems EPA doesn't want this but they have yet to make a formal statement on the verdict. The Coast Guard has firmed up ballast water regulations in the last few weeks for all ports.
- Impact/Mitigation workshop – now slated for April/May and will tackle both issues at the same meeting. There was discussion regarding notice of follow-up on questions from the public – whether at a SEG meeting or via the Corps process. A reminder was made of the public hearing currently scheduled for August after the EIS is released which could be an additional venue to address impact/mitigation questions from the public.

### Recommended Agenda Items to SEG Facilitator

- Model update
- Coastal erosion additional analysis (brief presentation)
- CSS Georgia (if site survey report is finalized)
- TMDL issue update
- Economics (possible presentation on ship wake analysis)
- Ballast water - update

Next SEG meeting – November 14, 2006

Next Interim SEG meeting – December 12, 2006

If SEG meeting is scheduled for January, would be held on January 9<sup>th</sup> (the second Tuesday of the month)