

Technical Subcommittee

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Contracts 1 - 3

- Archeological Artifacts
 - How can we be assured smaller artifacts are preserved & not lost in flurry of work?
- Sediment and dust control, storm water control plans by GE contractors
 - CAG would like chance to review
- Noise
 - Awaiting sensitive receptor information (forthcoming on CD)
 - Hope dredging near sensitive receptors can have reduced hours, context specific

Contracts 1 - 3

- Traffic
 - GE, DOT, municipalities in conversation
 - CAG/Saratoga wants to see plan
- Water Treatment Chain
 - How will fine particulates from bag filters be disposed of?
 - Discharge criteria as required by DEC
 - Carbon and bag filters used rather than UV as at Hudson Falls due to volume of water
- Covering of barges
 - EPA to request as CAG has requested

Contracts 4 & 5

- **Dredging**

- TSS standard for GE contractor 1/10 of EPA standard
- Contracts partly performance based, & in some areas like Griffin Island, control technologies prescribed
- However, concerned about how EPA oversee GE in turn overseeing contractors and subcontractors -- what happens if contractors don't meet this GE standard?
- Additional controls would move from sheet piling to silt curtains, and effectiveness would be monitored. Is this preventative enough?

- **Fish Monitoring**

- On-going. In general, levels vary but overall stable at this time
- Will be done during dredging
- Ensure networks of fishermen identified for rapid communication (overlap with and message to boaters too)
- Increased monitoring/education/posting during dredging?

Contracts 4 & 5

- Oversight
 - DEC/EPA take some % of split samples
 - QAPP due 30 days after CD entered covering many details of monitoring
- Near Shore Dredging
 - Concern remains about leaving behind PCBs
 - Would like more data for near shore concentrations -- will get more during Phase I during dredging
 - Will have prior to Phase II - more samples collected this summer
 - GE will need EPA approval to leave area
 - If capped, GE responsible for at least 30 years for O&M of each one

Contracts 4 & 5

- Health Effects
 - Any health effects to swimmers, boaters, paddlers, during dredging?
 - Notice to these publics during dredging?
 - Additional monitoring for water supplies during dredging?
- Habitat
 - Some concern about what species planted

Next Steps

- TOSC possible additional grant monies via new Headquarters monies -- Subcommittee to work with Dan to develop proposal
- Subcommittee to conference in two weeks on habitat issues
- Contracts 3 to 6 comments due May 24
- Compiled comments on 1 & 2, EPA to distribute to CAG