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# **MEMORANDUM**

From: Dewberry

On behalf of:



New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Environmental Management - Assistant Commissioner's Office Mail Code: 401-03B

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DATE: Monday, July 15, 2013

RE: Superstorm Sandy: State of New Jersey Waterway Debris Removal Project

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#### **NORTHERN REGION:**

## To Date:

• Total cubic yards of debris removed (inland): 7,106

• Total number of large debris recovered: 38 vessels

• Total verified sediment removal (total cubic yards): 81,983

• Total verified acres surveyed by side scan sonar: 32,988

• Estimated hydrographic survey acres: 177

• Total targets identified: 1,896

• Total targets retrieved: 767

• Total targets disqualified/below draft depth: 1,059

## Yesterday's Operations:

• Sediment removal will continue in Von Dohln Marina and the DOT Channel of Smiths Creek. Debris Removal will continue in Weehawken.

## Forecasted Operations:

- Monday: Sediment removal will continue in Von Dohln Marina as well as the DOT Channel of Smiths Creek, Debris removal continues on the Hudson River.
- Four-day outlook: Sediment removal will continue in the Hudson marinas and Smiths Creek. Debris removal will continue on the Hudson River. Debris spotted in the Elizabeth Bay area to be assessed for debris removal.

Estimated Completion Dates of Current Tasks for Northern Region as of 7/12/2013:

Northern Region		
Activity	Estimated Completion	
Debris Removal	Late July	
Marina Sediment Removal	Late October	
DOT Channel Sediment Removal	On Hold	

#### **CENTRAL REGION:**

#### To Date:

- Total cubic yards of debris removed: 61,718
- Total large debris (vessels, cars, etc.): 106 vessels, 4 vehicles
- Total estimated Sediment removed: 31,103
- Total verified acres surveyed by side scan sonar: 53,750
- Estimated hydrographic survey acres: 278
- Total targets identified: 5,111
- Total targets retrieved: 2,146
- Total targets disqualified/below draft depth: 2,965

#### Yesterday's Operations:

- Debris removal crews worked in the Metedeconk River, the Mantoloking area and Island Beach State Park removing debris. Sediment removal and sand screening operations continued in Zone 4.
- Forecasted Operations:
- Monday: Debris removal crews are working in the Mantoloking area and Island Beach State Park in Zones 3, 4, and 7 removing debris. Sediment removal and sand screening operations to continue in Zone 4.
- Five-day outlook: Debris operations have achieved substantial completion and contractor will continue to respond to new debris sighting reports. Sediment removal and sand screening operations to continue in Zone 4. Beach quality sand will continue to be relocated to Brick Beach III.

Estimated Completion Dates of Current Tasks for Central Region as of 7/12/2013:

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Central Region	
Activity	Estimated Completion
Bay/Lagoon Sediment Removal	Late August
Marina Sediment Removal	Early September
DOT Channel Sediment Removal	On Hold



#### **SOUTHERN REGION:**

#### To Date:

- Total cubic yards of debris removed (inland): 17,666
- Total large debris (vessels, cars, etc.): 40 vessels
- Total verified acres surveyed by side scan sonar: 104,691
- Estimated hydrographic survey acres: 177
- Total targets identified: 8,406
- Total targets retrieved: 2,788
- Total targets disqualified/below draft depth: 4,681

## Yesterday's Operations:

- No activities scheduled in Zones 8, 9, and 10.
- Target and debris removal was conducted in Stone Harbor, (Zone 11).

## Forecasted Operations:

- Monday:
  - o No activities scheduled in Zones 9, 10, and 11.
  - o Hazmat pick up at Holgate TOLS in Zone 9.
  - o A preload will be taken for disposal in Zone 11.
  - o Scouting and marking of targets in Zone 8.
  - o Target and debris removal will be conducted in Zone 8.
- Four-day outlook:
  - o Plan and prep for sediment removal will continue in Zones 8 and 9.
  - o Debris will continue to be collected in Zones 8, 9, 10, and 11.
  - o Target and debris removal will continue at 34<sup>th</sup> Street in Ocean City, (Zone 11).

## Estimated Completion Dates of Current Tasks for Southern Region as of 712/2013:

Southern Region		
Activity	Estimated Completion	
Bay Debris Removal	Mid-July	
Delaware Bay Debris Removal	Late July	
Blocked Storm Water Outfall Sediment Removal	Early September	
Lagoon Sediment Removal	Mid-October	
Marina Sediment Removal	Mid-November	
DOT Channel Sediment Removal	On Hold	



Report debris at 1-877-WARN-DEP or at waterwaydebris@dep.state.nj.us.

Additional information available at:

http://www.nj.gov/dep/special/hurricane-sandy/wwdebris.htm

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