

Advanced Conference

CERCLA + MTCA + Sediments

Contamination, Cleanup & Revitalization

What are we accomplishing and are we doing it fast enough?



September 18, 2017
Washington Convention Center
Seattle, WA

7:45-8:15 - REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

A REPORT FROM THE US ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

**8:15-9:00 Superfund Priorities & Latest Developments at US EPA
Recommendations from the Superfund Task Force**

Cyndy Mackey, Director

Office of Site Remediation Enforcement

Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance

US Environmental Protection Agency

&

Jim Woolford, Director

Office of Superfund Remediation and Technology Innovation

Office of Land and Emergency Management

US Environmental Protection Agency

9:00-9:15 - BREAK

LAWS, REGULATORY PROGRAMS, AND CLEANUP PROJECTS

9:15-9:45 - Creative Legal Strategies for Sediment Cleanup & Cost Allocation

Kurt Peterson

Foster Pepper PLLC

9:45-10:15 – Washington Department of Ecology’s Toxics Cleanup Program: Policies and Priorities

Richelle Perez

Policy & Technical Support Supervisor, Toxics Cleanup Program
WA Department of Ecology

10:15-10:45 - Update on CERCLA Sediment Sites in the Northwest

Cami Grandinetti

Office of Environmental Cleanup
US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10

10:45-11:00 - BREAK

CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION AND CLEANUP

11:00-11:30 – Protecting Our Investment in Cleaning up Sites – Climate Change Adaptation

Chance Asher

Sediment Policy Program Lead, Toxics Cleanup Program
WA Department of Ecology

11:30-12:00 - Incorporating Climate Change Adaptation into Sediment Remedies

Benjamin Starr, P.E.

Integral Consulting

12:00-1:00 - LUNCH (Provided)

IMPORTANT TECHNICAL ISSUES

1:00-1:30 - Regulating Bioaccumulatives - Issues and Challenges

David Fox

Chief, Dredged Material Management Office
US Army Corps of Engineers, Seattle District

1:30-2:00 - Understanding Sediment Transport to Allocate Liability

Patrick McLaren, PhD., P. Geo

SedTrend Analysis Limited
Brentwood Bay, BC

2:00-2:15 - BREAK

CASE STUDIES

2:15-2:45 - City of Tacoma: Transforming and Revitalizing Contaminated Waterfront

Mary Henley

Environmental Services Project Manager

City of Tacoma

2:45-3:15 - Port of Everett - Integrating Cleanup with Economic Development

Erik Gerking

Director of Environmental Programs

Port of Everett

3:15-3:45 – Portland Harbor: Oregon’s Strategy for Moving forward with Cleanup & Revitalization along the Willamette River

Jim McKenna

Portland Harbor Policy Analyst

Governor Kate Brown’s Natural Resources Office

3:45-4:00 - BREAK

THOUGHTS ON IMPROVING CLEANUP OF SEDIMENTS

4:00-5:00 - Speaker and Audience Discussion of These Questions:

- *Technical, regulatory, legal, or societal – what do you see as the greatest challenge in cleaning up river systems?*
- *If you could change one thing about how we clean up rivers, what would it be?*
- *What are the best ideas out there that we could implement right now to make a difference?*

Moderator:

Teresa Michelsen, PhD

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