Dredge Material Disposal Fee Modification

Rule Making

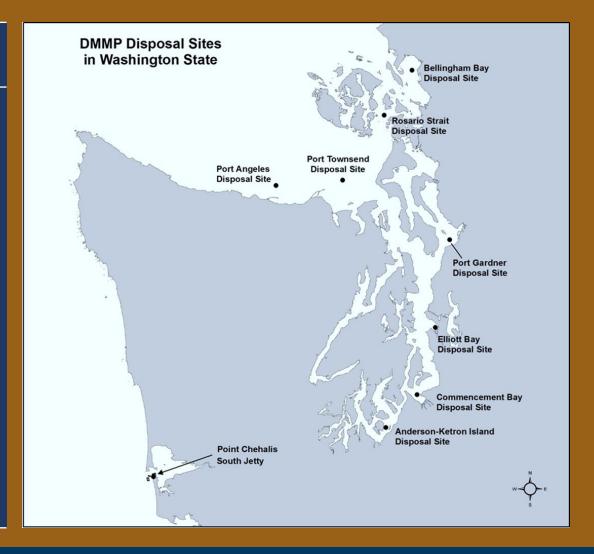


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Dredge Material Disposal Sites

Water Body	Site Name	Site Type
Puget Sound	Anderson/Ketron	Nondispersive
	Bellingham Bay	Nondispersive
	Commencement Bay	Nondispersive
	Elliott Bay	Nondispersive
	Port Gardner	Nondispersive
	Rosario Strait	Dispersive
	Port Townsend	Dispersive
	Port Angeles	Dispersive
Grays Harbor	Point Chehalis	Dispersive
	South Jetty	Dispersive



Dredged Material Disposal Fee

Disposal Site Location	Current Fee per cubic yard	Minimum Fee
Puget Sound	\$0.45	\$2,000
Grays Harbor	\$0.10	\$300
Damage Fee (all sites)	\$5.00	-

RCW 79.105.520 - Fees for use of aquatic land dredged material disposal sites authorized

The department shall estimate the costs of site management and environmental monitoring at aquatic land dredged material disposal sites and may, by rule, establish fees for use of the sites in amounts no greater than necessary to cover the estimated costs. All such revenues shall be placed in the aquatic land dredged material disposal site account under RCW 79.105.510

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Fees will be charged at rates sufficient to cover all departmental costs associated with management of the sites. Fees will be reviewed and adjusted annually or more often as needed.



Program Costs per cubic yard of material

Site Monitoring	Program Compliance	Fund Management	Total Cost
\$0.53 - \$0.77	\$0.08 - \$0.75	\$0.03 - \$0.20	\$0.70 - \$1.51



Projected Program Costs

Activities	Future Cost Projections	Notes
Site Monitoring Costs	\$250,000	Projected non-dispersive site monitoring costs (chemical and biological).
Program Compliance Costs	\$50,000	Funding for additional studies to meet federal and state requirements to ensure sites are allowed to remain open.
Fund Management Costs	\$24,000	Costs associated with fund management (e.g., use authorization development and management and invoicing).
Targeted Minimum Fund Balance	\$400,000	Funding to cover unexpected monitoring or studies, DNR administrative costs, and a buffer for unanticipated costs or when revenue is less than projected.



Proposed Changes to WAC 332-30-166

Puget Sound Disposal Fee per cubic yard	Implementation timeline	Grays Harbor Disposal Fee
\$0.45	Until June 30, 2022	\$0.10
\$0.75	July 1, 2022- June 30, 2025	\$0.15
\$0.95	July 1, 2025 - thereafter	\$0.20

Minor Language Changes proposed:

- Removal of interagency open water disposal site evaluation committee and replaced with Dredged Material Management Program (DMMP).
- Language changes to be consistent with current DNR operations (*lease* changed to *authorization*, *dumping* to *disposal*)



Disposal Fee Rule Making Timeline

May 2021 Initial
Outreach

June 10, 2021 CR-101 Oct. 15, 2021 CR-102 Dec. 1, 2021 Public Hearing Dec. 15, 2021 Comments Due Feb. 7, 2022 Rule Final

More materials and information available to public on the **DNR Dredge Material Website**

- DNR Rule Making Website
- CR-102 Rule Making Filing
- Dredge Material Factsheet
- Frequently Asked Questions

- Small Business Economic Impact Statement
- Public Hearing Presentation
- Link to contact: dmmp@dnr.wa.gov

