

Department of the Environment

Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to section 127 of the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999* (CEPA), disposal at sea permit no. 4543-2-03726 authorizing the loading for disposal and the disposal of waste or other matter at sea is approved. The permit is published on the Canadian Environmental Protection Act Registry on Tuesday July 30, 2019.

- 1. Permittee: Fraser River Pile & Dredge (GP) Inc., New Westminster, British Columbia.
- 2. Waste or other matter to be disposed of: dredged material.
- 2.1. Nature of waste or other matter: dredged material consisting of gravel, sand, silt, clay, wood waste, or material typical to the approved loading site, except logs and usable wood. The permittee shall ensure that log bundling strand from waste or other matter approved for loading and disposal at sea is removed prior to disposal at sea.
- 3. Duration of permit: permit is valid from September 7, 2019, to September 6, 2020.
- 4. Loading site(s): various approved dredge sites in southwestern British Columbia.
- 5. Disposal site(s):
 - a. Cape Mudge Disposal Site, within a 0.5-nautical-mile radius of 49.96166° N, 125.08333° W North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83)
 - b. Comox Disposal Site, within a 1-nautical-mile radius of 49.69500° N, 124.74166° W (NAD83)
 - c. Five Finger Island Disposal Site, within a 0.5-nautical-mile radius of 49.25333° N, 123.91166° W (NAD83)
 - d. Malaspina Strait Disposal Site, within a 0.5-nautical-mile radius of 49.75000° N, 124.45000° W (NAD83)
 - e. Point Grey Disposal Site, within a 1-nautical-mile radius of 49.25666° N, 123.36500° W (NAD83)
- f. Thornbrough Channel Disposal Site, within a 0.25-nautical-mile radius of 49.51666° N, 123.47166° W (NAD83)
- g. Watts Point Disposal Site, within a 0.25-nautical-mile radius of 49.64166° N, 123.23500° W (NAD83)





- 6. Method of loading: loading will be carried out using a cutter suction dredge, a trailing suction hopper dredge, a barge-mounted excavator, a clamshell dredge or crane equipped with a clamshell dredge.
- 7. Route to disposal site(s) and method of transport: most direct navigational route from the loading site to the disposal site via pipeline, hopper scow, towed scow or hopper dredge.
- 8. Method of disposal: disposal will be carried out by pipeline, bottom dumping, end dumping or cutter suction dredge.
- 9. Total quantity to be disposed of: not to exceed 90 000 cubic metres, place measure.
- 10. Approvals: the permittee shall obtain from the permit-issuing office a letter of approval for each loading and disposal activity prior to undertaking the work and shall conduct these activities in accordance with the relevant letter of approval. The permittee shall follow the procedures outlined in the document titled: "Multi-Site Dredging Projects Involving Disposal at Sea: Requests for Letters of Approval Standard Procedures" (February 2013).
- 11. Fees: the fee prescribed by the *Disposal at Sea Permit Fee Regulations* shall be paid by the permittee in accordance with those regulations.
- 12. Inspection:
- 12.1. By accepting this permit, the permittee and its contractors accept that they are subject to inspection pursuant to Part 10 of CEPA.
- 12.2. The permittee shall ensure that records of all loading and disposal activities are kept on site for the duration of the permit and are available for inspection by any enforcement officer or analyst, for 2 years following the expiry of the permit.
- 12.3. Ships operating under the authority of this permit shall carry and display a radar-reflecting device at all times mounted on the highest practical location.
- 13. Contractors:
- 13.1. The loading or disposal at sea referred to under this permit shall not be carried out by any person without written authorization from the permittee.
- 13.2. The permittee shall ensure that all persons involved in the loading, transport or disposal activities authorized by this permit conduct these activities in accordance with the relevant permit conditions.
- 14. Reporting and notification:

14.1. The permittee shall provide the following information at least 48 hours before loading and disposal activities commence: name or number of ship, platform or structure used to carry out the loading and/or disposal, name of the contractor including corporate and on-site contact information, and expected period of loading and disposal activities. The above-noted information shall be submitted to the following parties:

For the Department of the Environment:

Department of the Environment Pacific and Yukon Region 201-401 Burrard St Vancouver BC V6C 3S5

Email: ec.immersionenmerrpy-disposalatseapyr@canada.ca

For potentially affected First Nations:

 a. Katherine Wheatley, Major Projects Coordinator Musqueam Indian Band
 6735 Salish Dr
 Vancouver BC V6N 4C4

Email: kwheatley@musqueam.bc.ca

b. Amanda King, Senior Referrals Analyst Tsleil-Waututh Nation 3075 Takaya Dr North Vancouver BC V7H 3A8

Email: aking@twnation.ca

c. Chrystal Nahanee
 Intergovernmental Relations Natural Resources & Revenue
 Squamish Nation
 415 W Esplanade
 North Vancouver BC V7M 1A6

Fax: 604-982-0515

Email: consultation@squamish.net

d. Perry Point
 Fisheries Coordinator
 Snuneymuxw First Nation
 668 Centre St
 Nanaimo BC V9R 4Z4

Email: perry.point@snuneymuxw.ca

14.2. The permittee shall submit a written report to the Minister, as represented by the Regional Director of the Environmental Protection Operations Directorate, Pacific and Yukon Region, within 30 days after the expiry of the permit. This report shall contain the following information: a list of all work completed pursuant to the permit, including the location of the loading and disposal site(s) used, the quantity of matter disposed of at the disposal site(s) and the dates on which disposal activities occurred. The report shall be sent to the Regional Director at the following coordinates:

Regional Director c/o Tiffany Paul Environmental Protection Operations Directorate Pacific and Yukon Region 201-401 Burrard St Vancouver BC V6C 3S5

Fax: 604-666-6800

Email: ec.immersionenmerrpy-disposalatseapyr.ec@canada.ca

14.3. At all times, a copy of this permit and of documents and drawings referenced in this permit shall be available at the loading site and on all powered ships directly engaged in the loading and disposal operations.

15. Special precautions:

- 15.1. The permittee shall submit a written dredged material disposal plan to the Minister, as represented by the Regional Director of the Environmental Protection Operations Directorate, Pacific and Yukon Region, identified in paragraph 14.2, for approval by the Department of the Environment prior to the commencement of the first dredging operation authorized by this permit. The plan shall address procedures to accurately measure or estimate quantities of dredged material disposed of at the disposal site(s), vessel tracking, and a schedule for use of the disposal site(s). Modifications to the plan shall be made only with the written approval of the Department of the Environment.
- 15.2. The loading and disposal at sea referred to under this permit shall be carried out in accordance with the mitigation measures summarized in the document titled "Environmental Protection Plan Fraser River Pile & Dredge (GP) Inc. Multi-site Disposal at Sea Permit #4543-2-03726" (July 2019).
- 15.3 The permittee shall ensure that reasonable efforts are made to provide potentially affected First Nations listed in paragraph 14.1 the opportunity to participate in environmental monitoring of dredge and disposal at sea activities occurring under this permit.
- 15.4. Potentially affected First Nations listed in paragraph 14.1 shall be notified of any modifications to the environmental protection plan.
- 15.5 The permittee shall send all project-related notifications to First Nations identified in paragraph 14.1.

15.6 The permittee shall ensure that dredging, transportation and disposal activities do not impede Fisheries and Oceans Canada's authorized food, social and ceremonial fisheries for Indigenous Peoples.

Saul Schneider Regional Director Environmental Protection Operations Directorate Pacific and Yukon Region

On behalf of the Minister of Environment and Climate Change

Signed on July 18, 2019