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**Agreement No. CE 23/2012 (EP)**  
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**31<sup>ST</sup> MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT FOR MARCH 2015**

**1.1 BACKGROUND**

1.1.1 Since early 1990s, contaminated sediment <sup>(1)</sup> arising from various construction works (e.g. dredging and reclamation projects) in Hong Kong has been disposed of at a series of seabed pits at East of Sha Chau (ESC). In late 2008, a review indicated that the existing and planned facilities at ESC would not be able to meet the disposal demand after 2012. In order to meet this demand, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government (HKSARG) decided to implement a new contained aquatic disposal (CAD) <sup>(2)</sup> facility at the South of The Brothers (SB CMPs) which had been under consideration for a number of years.

1.1.2 The environmental acceptability of the construction and operation of the Project had been confirmed by findings of the associated Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) study completed in 2005 under *Agreement No. CE 12/2002(EP)* <sup>(3)</sup>. The Director of Environmental Protection (DEP) approved this EIA report under the *Environmental Impact Assessment Ordinance (Cap. 499) (EIAO)* in September 2005 (*EIA Register No.: AEIAR-089/2005*).

1.1.3 In accordance with the EIA recommendation, prior to commencement of construction works for the SB CMPs, the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) undertook a detailed review and update of the EIA findings for the SB site <sup>(4)</sup>. Findings of the EIA review undertaken in 2009/2010 confirmed that the construction and operation of the SB site had been predicted to be environmentally acceptable.

(1) According to the Management Framework of Dredged/ Excavated Sediment of ETWB TC(W) No. 34/2002, contaminated sediment in general shall mean those sediment requiring Type 2 – Confined Marine Disposal as determined according to this TC(W).

(2) CAD options may involve use of excavated borrow pits, or may involve purpose-built excavated pits. CAD sites are those which involve filling a seabed pit with contaminated mud and capping it with uncontaminated material such that the original seabed level is restored and the contaminated material is isolated from the surrounding marine environment.<sup>7</sup>

(3) Detailed Site Selection Study for a Proposed Contaminated Mud Disposal Facility within the Airport East/ East of Sha Chau Area (*Agreement No. CE 12/2002(EP)*)

(4) Under the CEDD study *Contaminated Sediment Disposal Facility to the South of The Brothers (Agreement No. FM 2/2009)*



1.1.4 Environmental Permits (EPs) (EP-312/2008/A and EP-427/2011A) were issued by the Environmental Protection Department (EPD) to the CEDD, the Permit Holder, on 28 November 2008 for ESC CMP V and on 23 December 2011 for SB CMPs, respectively. Under the requirements of the EPs, an Environmental Monitoring and Audit (EM&A) programme as set out in the EM&A Manuals <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup> is required to be implemented for the CMPs.

1.1.5 The present EM&A programme under Agreement No. CE 23/2012 (EP) covers the dredging, disposal and capping operations of the SB CMPs as well as ESC CMPs. Detailed works schedule for both CMPs is shown in Figure 1.1. In March 2015, the following works were being undertaken at the CMPs:

- Capping operations at ESC CMPs;
- Capping operations at SB CMP 1; and
- Disposal of contaminated mud at SB CMP 2.

Figure 1.1 Works Schedule for ESC CMPs and SB CMPs

Pit	Operation	2012			2013					2014					2015					2016					2017					
		S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J
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	Backfilling																													
	Capping																													
SB CMP 1	Dredging																													
	Backfilling																													
	Capping																													
SB CMP 2	Dredging																													
	Backfilling																													
	Capping																													

1.2 REPORTING PERIOD

1.2.1 This 31<sup>st</sup> Monthly Progress Report covers the EM&A activities for the reporting month of March 2015.

1.3 DETAILS OF SAMPLING AND LABORATORY TESTING ACTIVITIES

1.3.1 No monitoring activities have been undertaken for ESC CMPs in March 2015.

1.3.2 The following monitoring activities have been undertaken for SB CMPs in March 2015:

- Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry of CMP 2 was undertaken on 4 March 2015; and

(1) ERM (2012) Environmental Monitoring and Audit (EM&A) Manual. Final First Review. Environmental Monitoring and Audit for Contaminated Mud Pits to the South of the Brothers and at East Sha Chau (2012-2017) - Investigation. Agreement No. CE 23/2012(EP). Submitted to EPD in November 2012.  
 (2) ERM (2010) Environmental Monitoring and Audit (EM&A) Manual. Final Second Review. Environmental Monitoring and Audit for Contaminated Mud Pit at Sha Chau (2009-2013) - Investigation. Agreement No. CE 4/2009(EP). Submitted to EPD in November 2010.

- *Water Column Profiling* of CMP 2 was undertaken on 5 March 2015.

#### **1.4**            ***DETAILS OF OUTSTANDING SAMPLING AND/OR ANALYSIS***

1.4.1            No outstanding sampling and laboratory analysis remained for March 2015.

1.4.2            A summary of field activities conducted are presented in *Annex A*.

#### **1.5**            ***BRIEF DISCUSSION OF THE MONITORING RESULTS FOR SB CMPS***

1.5.1            Brief discussion of the monitoring results of the following activities for SB CMPS is presented in this *31<sup>st</sup> Monthly Progress Report*:

- Laboratory analyses of sediment samples collected for *Cumulative Impact Sediment Chemistry of SB CMPS* in February 2015;
- *Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry* of CMP 2 undertaken on 4 March 2015; and
- *Water Column Profiling* of CMP 2 undertaken on 5 March 2015.

- 1.5.2 ***Cumulative Impact Sediment Chemistry of SB CMPs – February 2015***
- 1.5.3 Monitoring locations for *Cumulative Impact Sediment Chemistry for SB CMPs* are shown in *Figure 1.2*. A total of eleven (11) monitoring stations were sampled in February 2015.
- 1.5.4 Analyses of results for the *Cumulative Impact Sediment Chemistry Monitoring* indicated that the concentrations of most inorganic contaminants, except Arsenic, were below the Lower Chemical Exceedance Level (LCEL) in February 2015 (*Figures 1 and 2 of Annex B*). Concentration of Arsenic exceeded the LCEL at Capped Pit station SB-RCA and SB-RCB and Mid Field station SB-RMA.
- 1.5.5 Whilst the average concentration of Arsenic in the Earth’s crust is generally ~2mg/kg, significantly higher Arsenic concentrations (median = 14 mg/kg) have been recorded in Hong Kong’s onshore sediments <sup>(1)</sup>. It is presumed that the natural concentrations of Arsenic are similar in onshore and offshore sediments <sup>(2)</sup>, and relatively high Arsenic levels may thus occur throughout Hong Kong. Therefore, the LCEL exceedances of Arsenic are unlikely to be caused by the disposal operations at CMP 2 but rather as a result of naturally occurring deposits.
- 1.5.6 For organic contaminants, concentration of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) at Tai Ho Bay Station 2 (THB2) was recorded to be higher than other stations (*Figure 3 of Annex B*). Concentrations of Tributyltin (TBTs) were recorded to be higher at Near-field station SB-RNB and Ma Wan station (*Figure 4 of Annex B*). Total Dichloro-Diphenyl-Trichloroethane (DDT), 4,4’-Dichloro-Diphenyl-Dichloroethylene (4,4’-DDE), Total Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) as well as Low and High Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (MW PAHs) were recorded below the limit of reporting at all stations.
- 1.5.7 Overall, there is no evidence indicating any unacceptable environmental impacts to sediment quality as a result of the contaminated mud disposal operations at CMP 2 in February 2015.
- 1.5.8 ***Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry of CMP 2 – March 2015***
- 1.5.9 Monitoring locations for *Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry for CMP 2* are shown in *Figure 1.3*. A total of six (6) monitoring stations were sampled in March 2015.
- 1.5.10 The concentrations of all inorganic contaminants were lower than the LCEL in March 2015 (*Figures 5-6 of Annex B*).

(1) Sewell RJ (1999) *Geochemical Atlas of Hong Kong*. Geotechnical Engineering Office, Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

(2) Whiteside PGD (2000) Natural geochemistry and contamination of marine sediments in Hong Kong. In: *The Urban Geology of Hong Kong* (ed Page A & Reels SJ). Geological Society of Hong Kong Bulletin No. 6, p109-121



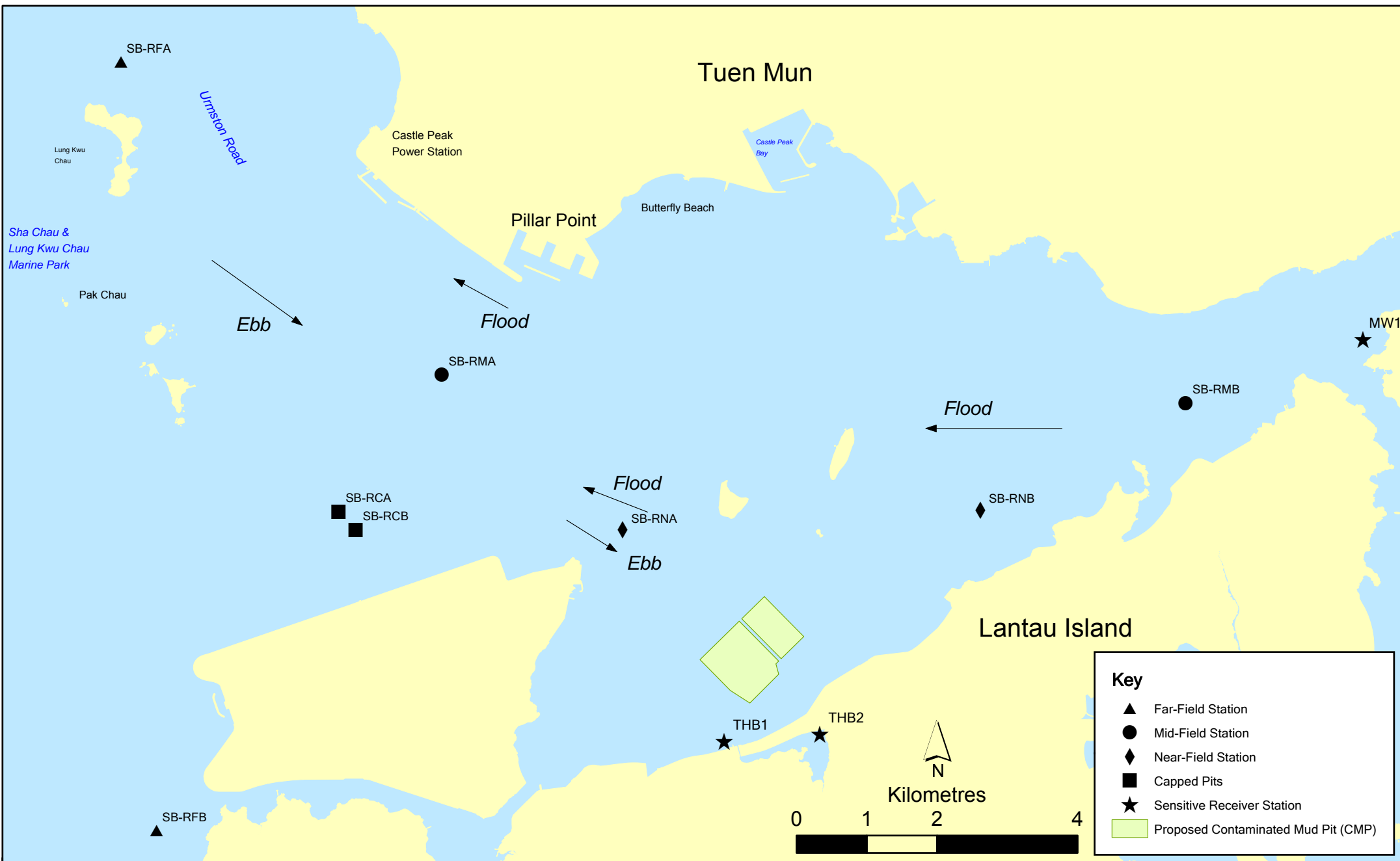
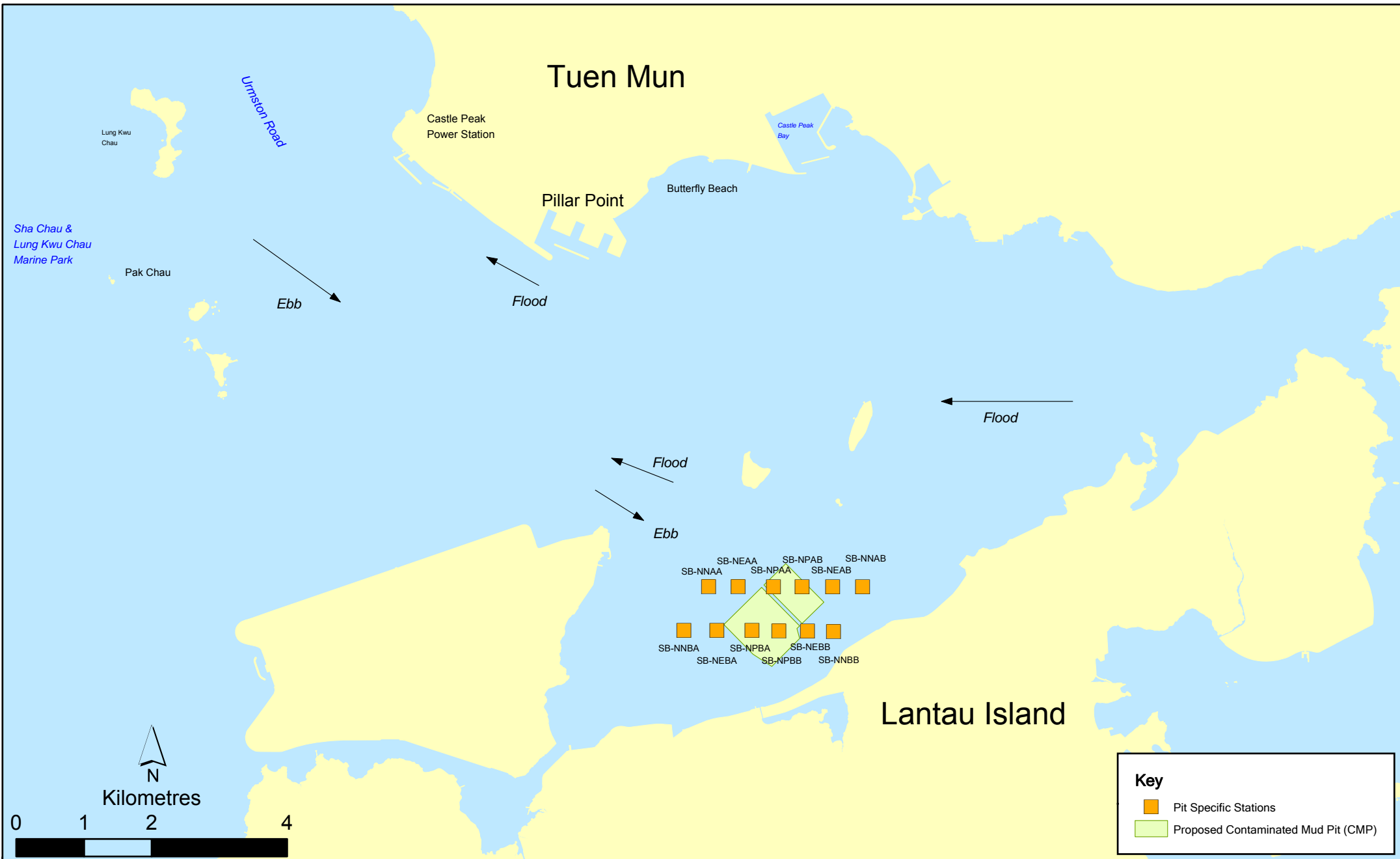


Figure 1.2

Cumulative Impacts Sediment Quality Monitoring Stations for South Brothers Facility



**Key**

- Pit Specific Stations
- Proposed Contaminated Mud Pit (CMP)

Figure 1.3

Pit Specific Sediment Quality Monitoring Stations for South Brothers Facility

1.5.11 For organic contaminants, the concentrations of TOC were similar amongst stations in March 2015 (*Figure 7 of Annex B*). TBTs concentrations were observed to be slightly higher at Pit Edge station SB-NEBB in March 2015 (*Figures 8 of Annex B*). Total DDT, 4,4'-DDE, Total PCBs, Low and High MW PAHs were below the limit of reporting at all stations in March 2015.

1.5.12 Overall, there is no evidence indicating any unacceptable environmental impacts to sediment quality as a result of the contaminated mud disposal operations at CMP 2 in March 2015. Statistical analysis will be undertaken in the quarterly report to investigate whether there are any unacceptable impacts in the area caused by the contaminated mud disposal.

#### 1.5.13 *Water Column Profiling of CMP 2 – March 2015*

1.5.14 *Water Column Profiling* was undertaken at a total of two sampling stations (Upstream and Downstream stations) on 5 March 2015. The water quality monitoring results have been assessed for compliance with the Water Quality Objectives (WQOs) through a review of the Environmental Protection Department (EPD) routine water quality monitoring data for the dry season period (November to March) of 2004 – 2013 from stations in the North Western Water Control Zone (WCZ), where SB CMP 2 is located. For Salinity, the average value obtained from the Reference stations was used for the basis as the WQO. The monitoring results were also compared with the Action and Limit Levels set in *Baseline Monitoring Report* (see *Table C1 of Annex C* for details).

#### *In-situ Measurements*

1.5.15 Analyses of results for March 2015 indicated that levels of Salinity, Dissolved Oxygen (DO) and pH complied with the WQOs at both Downstream and Upstream stations (*Table C2 of Annex C*). DO and Turbidity at all stations complied with the Action and Limit Levels (*Table C1 and C2 of Annex C*).

#### *Laboratory Measurements for SS*

1.5.16 Analyses of results for February 2015 indicated that the Suspended Solid (SS) levels at both Upstream and Downstream stations complied with the WQO and the Action and Limit Levels (*Tables C1 and C2 of Annex C*).

1.5.17 Overall, the monitoring results indicated that the mud disposal operation at CMP 2 did not appear to cause any deterioration in water quality during this reporting period.

## **1.6**            *ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR THE NEXT MONTH*

1.6.1            The following monitoring activities will be conducted in the next monthly period of April 2015 for SB CMPs:

- *Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry of CMP 2;*
- *Water Column Profiling of CMP 2; and*
- *Routine Water Quality Monitoring of CMP 2.*

1.6.2            No monitoring activity is scheduled to be conducted in the next monthly period of April 2015 for ESC CMPs.

1.6.3            The sampling schedule is presented in *Annex A*.

## **1.7**            *STUDY PROGRAMME*

1.7.1            A summary of the Study programme is presented in *Annex D*.

Annex A

## Sampling Schedule





Annex A1 - Environmental Monitoring and Audit Sampling Schedule for East of Sha Chau (September 2012 - February 2017)

		2012				2013					2014					2015					2016					2017																	
		S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F
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Annex A2 - Environmental Monitoring and Audit Sampling Schedule for South of The Brothers (July 2012 - February 2017)

			2012					2013					2014					2015					2016					2017																		
			J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F
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Notes:  
 "n" = Number of replicates depends on parameters  
 Naming of stations are tentative only and will be subjected to changes



Annex B

## Graphical Presentations

**Cumulative Impact Sediment Chemistry for Metal and Metalloid Contaminants at SB CMPs  
February 2015**

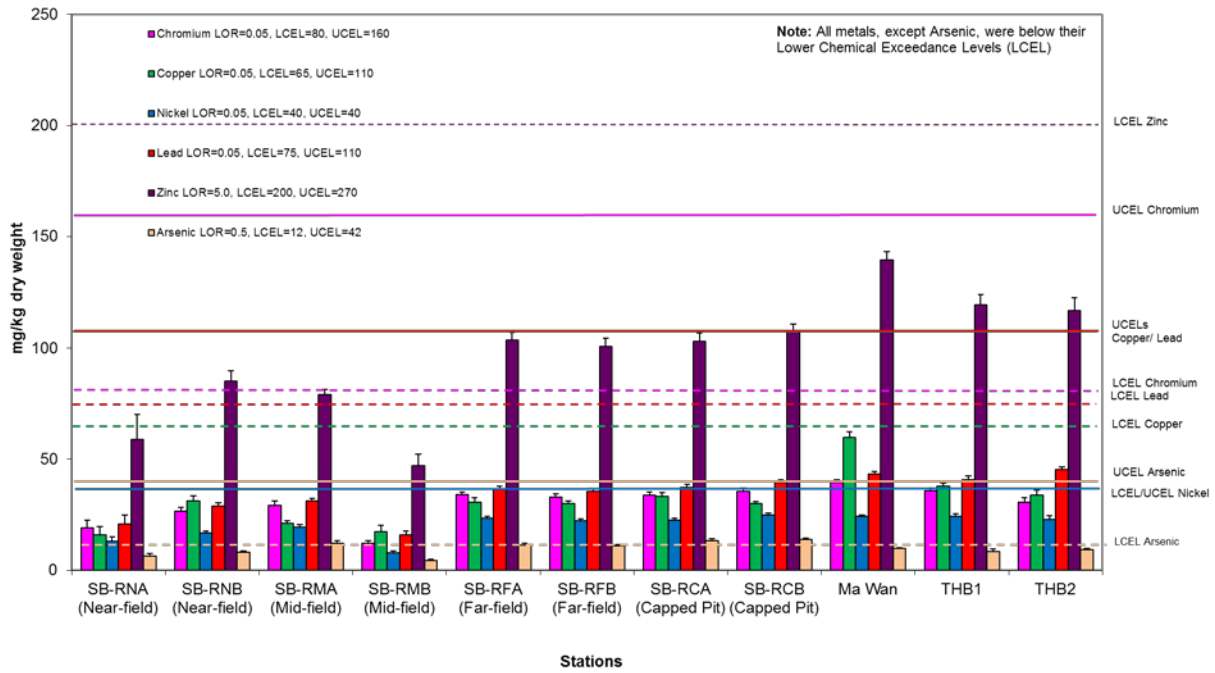


Figure 1: Concentration of Metals and Metalloid (Cr, Cu, Ni, Pb, Zn, As; mean +SD) in sediment samples collected from Cumulative Impact Sediment Chemistry Monitoring for SB CMPs in February 2015.

**Cumulative Impact Sediment Chemistry for Metal Contaminants at SB CMPs  
February 2015**

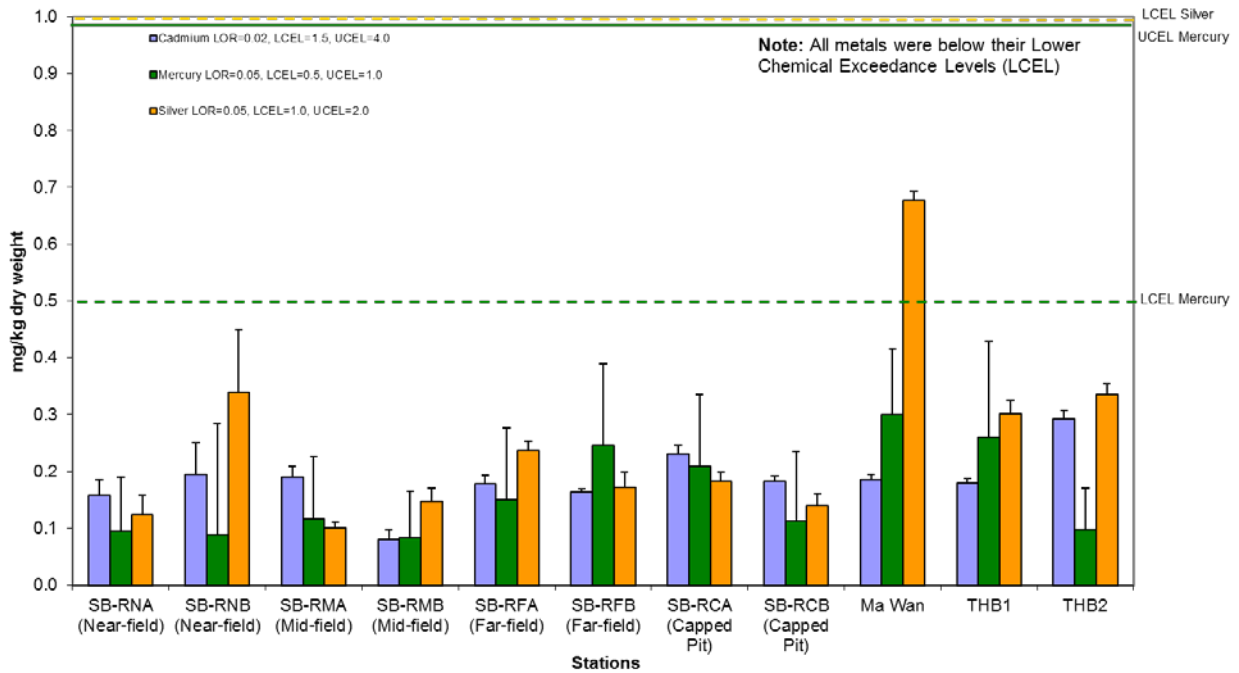


Figure 2: Concentration of Metals (Cd, Hg, Ag; mean +SD) in sediment samples collected from Cumulative Impact Sediment Chemistry Monitoring for SB CMPs in February 2015.

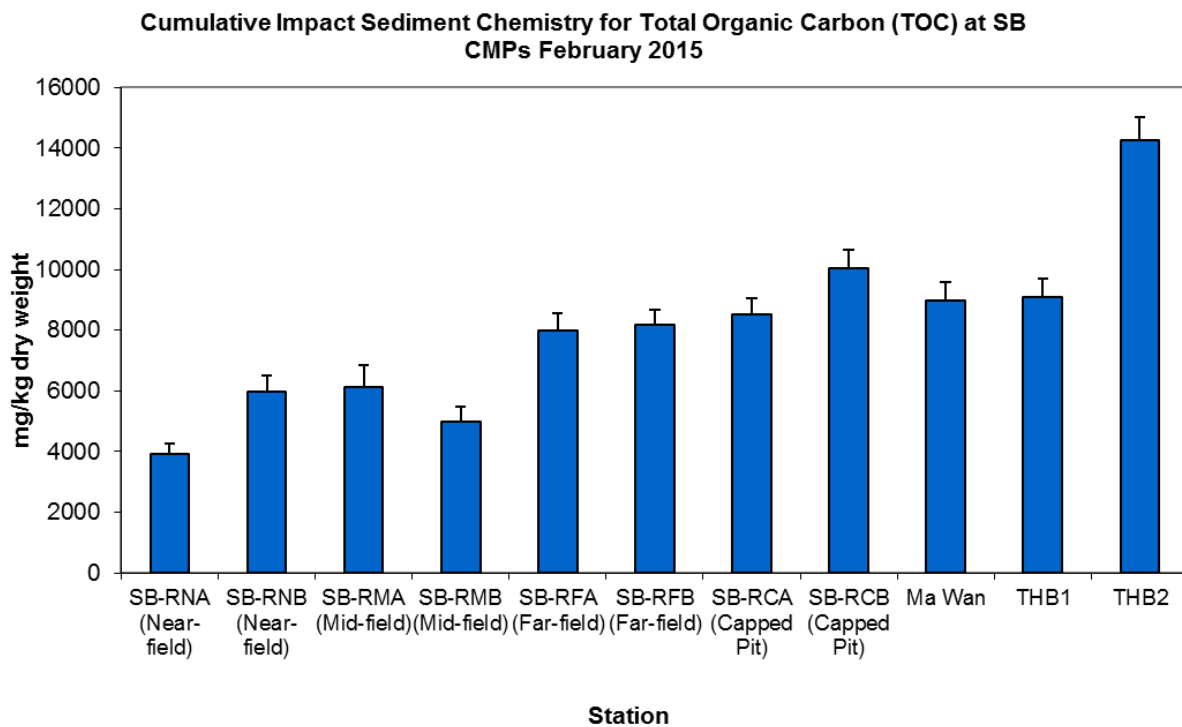


Figure 3: Concentration of Total Organic Carbon (mg/kg dry weight; mean +SD) in sediment samples collected from Cumulative Impact Sediment Chemistry Monitoring for SB CMPs in February 2015.

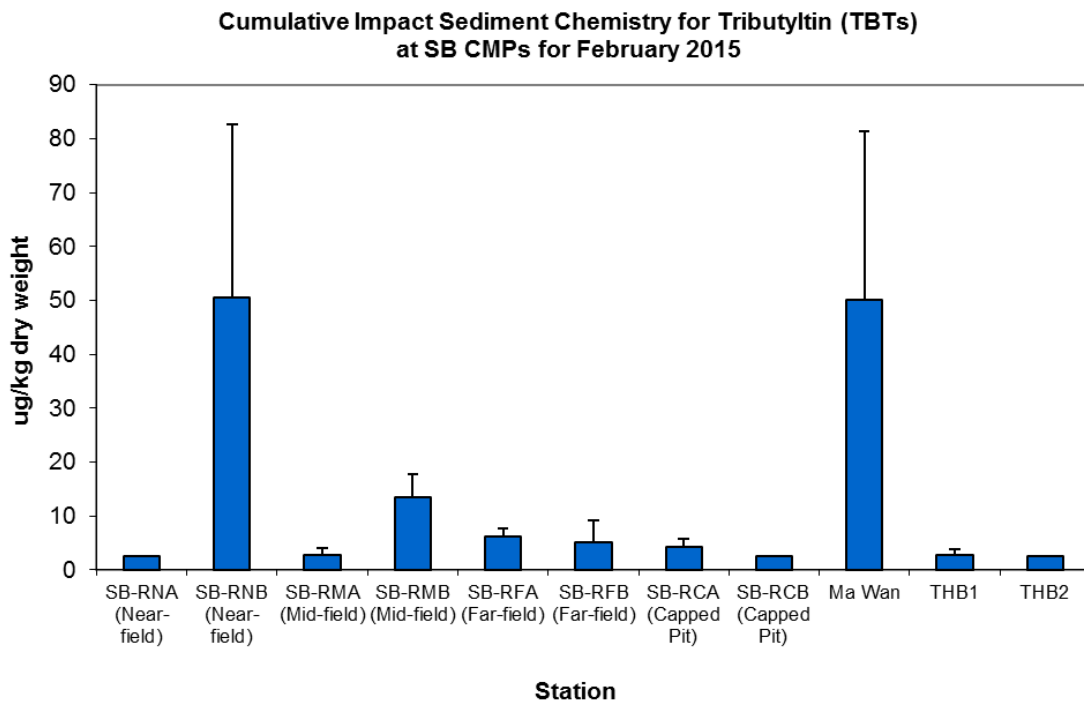


Figure 4: Concentration of Tributyltin ( $\mu\text{g TBT/kg}$ ; mean +SD) in sediment samples collected from Cumulative Impact Sediment Chemistry Monitoring for SB CMPs in February 2015.

**Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry for Metal and Metalloid Contaminants at SB CMP 2  
March 2015**

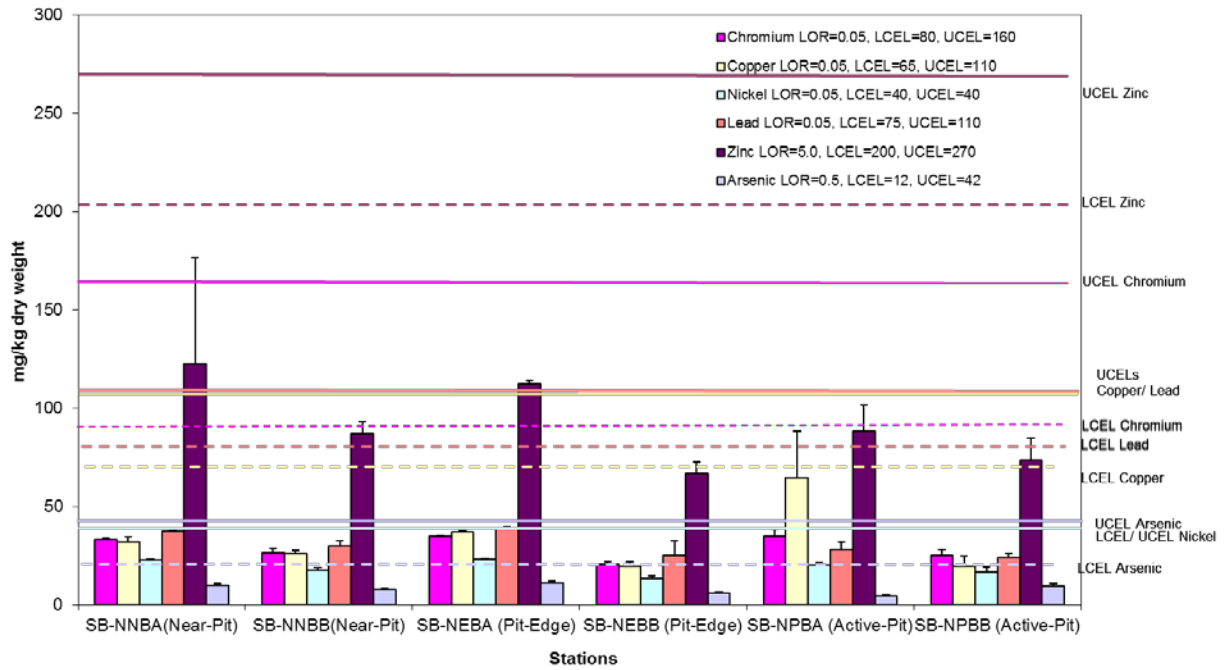


Figure 5: Concentration of Metals (Cr, Cu, Ni, Pb, Zn, As; mean +SD) in sediment samples collected from *Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry Monitoring* for SB CMP 2 in March 2015.

**Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry for Metal Contaminants at SB CMP 2  
March 2015**

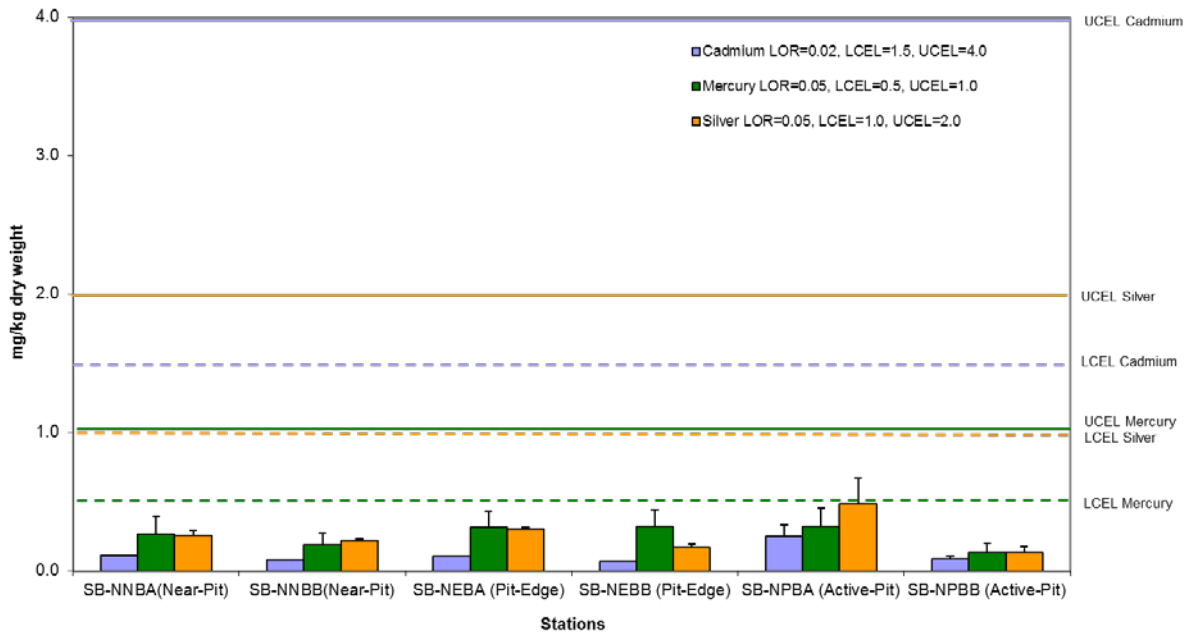


Figure 6: Concentration of Metals (Cd, Hg, Ag; mean +SD) in sediment samples collected from *Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry Monitoring* for SB CMP 2 in March 2015.

Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry for Total Organic Carbon (TOC) at SB CMP 2  
March 2015

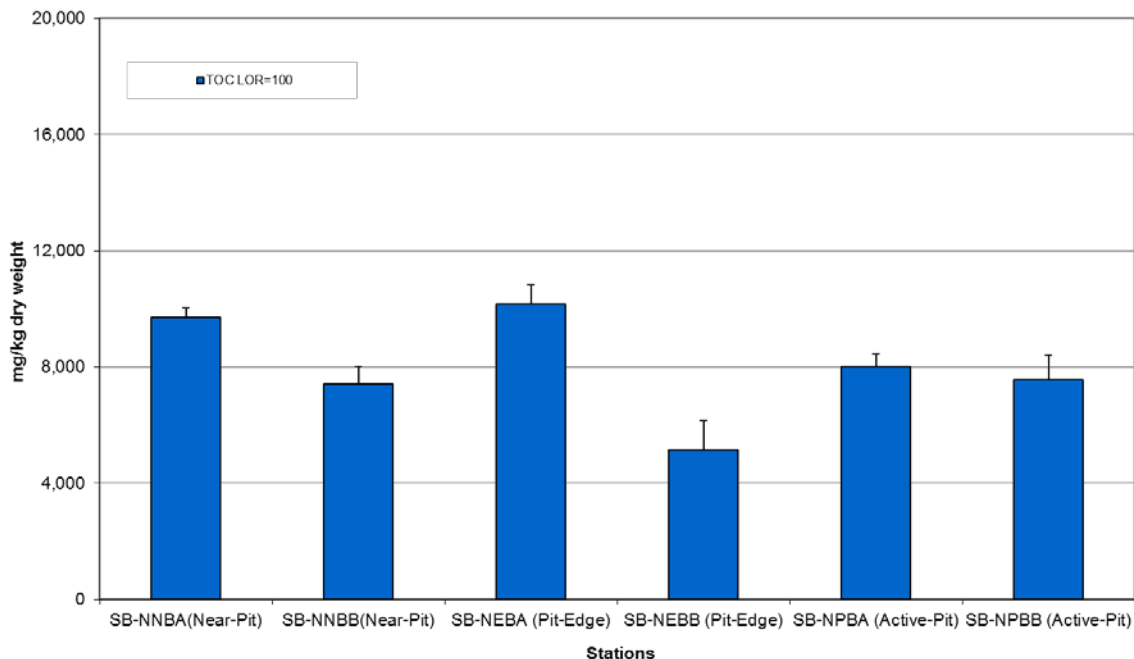


Figure 7: Concentration of Total Organic Carbon (mg/kg dry weight; mean +SD) in sediment samples collected from *Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry Monitoring* for SB CMP 2 in March 2015.

Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry for Tributyltin (TBT) at SB CMP 2  
March 2015

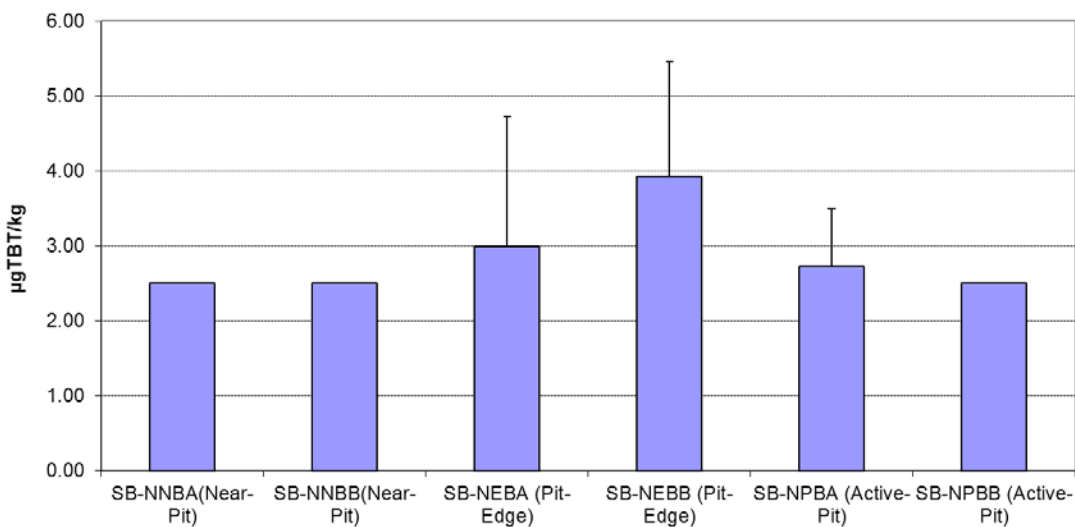


Figure 8: Concentration of Tributyltin (µg TBT/kg; mean +SD) in sediment samples collected from *Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry Monitoring* of SB CMP 2 in March 2015.

Annex C

## Water Quality Monitoring Results



**Table C1 Action and Limit Levels of Water Quality for Dredging, Backfilling and Capping Activities for SB CMPs**

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Action Level</b>	<b>Limit Level</b>
Dissolved Oxygen (DO) <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>Surface and Mid-depth</u> <sup>(2)</sup> The average of the impact, WSR 45C and WSR 46 station readings are < 5%-ile of baseline data for surface and middle layer = <b>4.32 mg L<sup>-1</sup></b>  and  Significantly less than the reference stations mean DO (at the same tide of the same day)	<u>Surface and Mid-depth</u> <sup>(2)</sup> The average of the impact, WSR 45C and WSR 46 station readings are < <b>4 mg L<sup>-1</sup></b>  and  Significantly less than the reference stations mean DO (at the same tide of the same day)
	<u>Bottom</u> The average of the impact, WSR 45C and WSR 46 station readings are < 5%-ile of baseline data for bottom layers = <b>3.12 mg L<sup>-1</sup></b>  and  Significantly less than the reference stations mean DO (at the same tide of the same day)	<u>Bottom</u> The average of the impact station, WSR 45C and WSR 46 readings are < <b>2 mg L<sup>-1</sup></b>  and  Significantly less than the reference stations mean DO (at the same tide of the same day)
Depth-averaged Suspended Solids (SS) <sup>(3)(4)</sup>	The average of the impact, WSR 45C and WSR 46 station readings are > 95%-ile of baseline data for depth average = <b>21.60 mg L<sup>-1</sup></b>  and  120% of control station's SS at the same tide of the same day	The average of the impact, WSR 45C and WSR 46 station readings are > 99%-ile of baseline data for depth average = <b>40.10 mg L<sup>-1</sup></b>  and  130% of control station's SS at the same tide of the same day
Depth-averaged Turbidity (Tby) <sup>(3)(4)</sup>	The average of the impact, WSR 45C and WSR 46 station readings are > 95%-ile of baseline data = <b>25.04 NTU</b>  and  120% of control station's Tby at the same tide of the same day	The average of the impact, WSR 45C and WSR 46 station readings are > 99%-ile of baseline data = <b>32.68 NTU</b>  and  130% of control station's Tby at the same tide of the same day

**Notes:**

- (1) For DO, non-compliance of the water quality limits occurs when monitoring result is lower than the limits.
- (2) The Action and Limit Levels for DO for Surface & Middle layers were calculated from the combined pool of baseline surface layer data and baseline middle layer data.
- (3) "Depth-averaged" is calculated by taking the arithmetic means of reading of all three depths.
- (4) For turbidity and SS, non-compliance of the water quality limits occurs when monitoring result is higher than the limits.

**Table C2** *Water Column Profiling Results for SB CMP 2 on 5 March 2015*

Stations	Temp (°C)	Salinity (ppt)	Turbidity (NTU)	Dissolved Oxygen (%) (mg L <sup>-1</sup> )		pH (mg L <sup>-1</sup> )	Suspended Solids (mg L <sup>-1</sup> )
WCP 1 (Downstream)	18.52	30.59	5.93	92.66	7.23	8.01	7.35
WCP 2 (Upstream)	18.58	30.40	10.23	93.45	7.29	7.99	10.23
WQO (dry season)	N/A	27.44- 33.43#	N/A	N/A	>4	6.5-8.5	13.7

**Note:** #Not exceeding 10% of natural ambient level which is the result obtained from the Reference Station.

Annex D

## Study Programme

