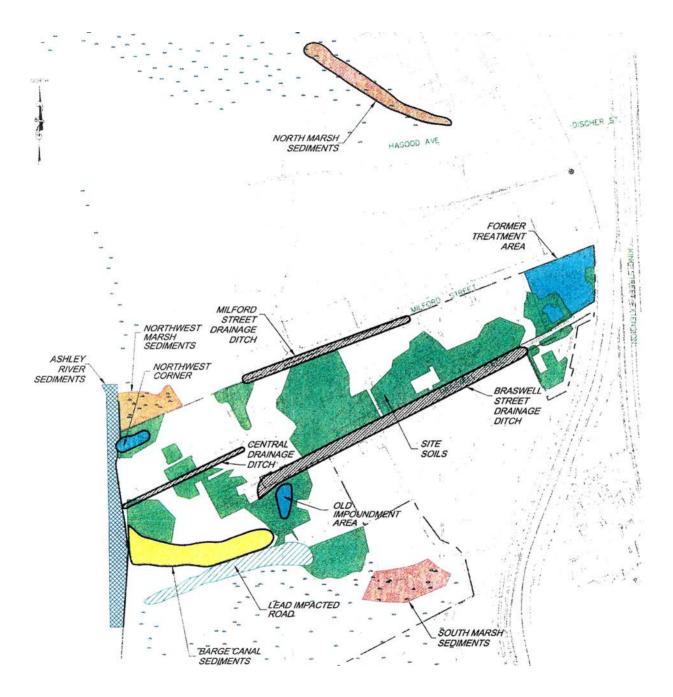
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Ashley River

- Tidally influenced range 5 to 6 feet ■ PAH & creosote contamination with depth Area of Potential Ecological Concern (APEC) = 3 acres■ 1,500 feet of near shore sediment/100 feet wide Former 30 feet deep navigation channel ■ No specific cleanup # issued
 - Defined area & Performance Standards

Plan A – Enhanced Sedimentation

Short term effectiveness during construction

 Provide cover to mitigate contact/transfer to food chain

Long term effectiveness/permanence

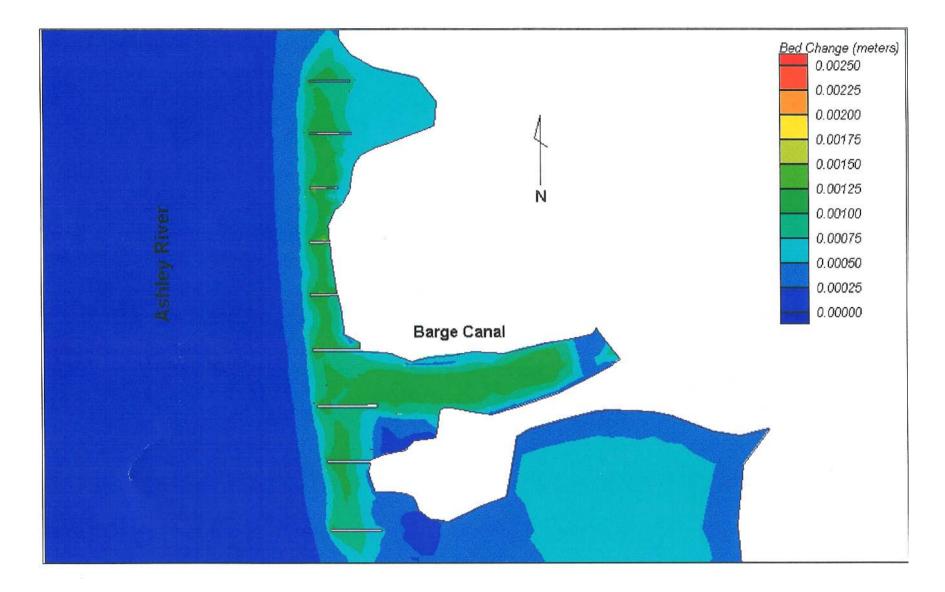


Figure 7: Areas of sediment accumulation after 4 days - Dike Plan

Constructability Concerns

Geotechnical limitations/steep slopes

Affected property owner

Existing structures

Plan B – Engineered Subaqueous Cap

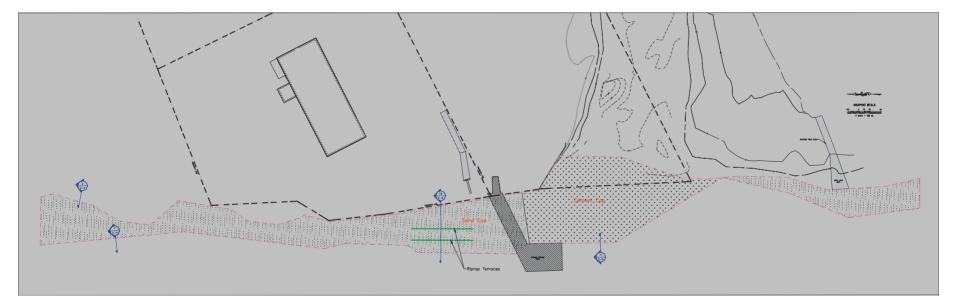
■ Non woven Geotextile Consolidation concerns Thickness monitoring ■ 12 inch minimum thickness 18 inches placed Property owner objection 2 ft elevation increase would limit access Spud Barge traffic impacts on cover Institutional controls? ... no thanks

Plan C

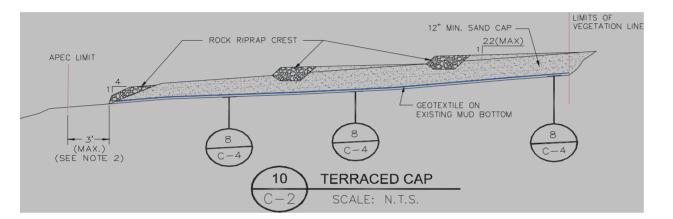
2 acre subaqueous sand/geotextile cap

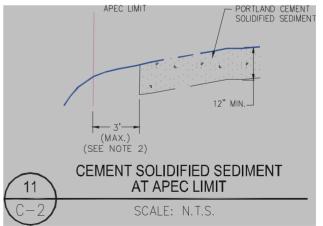
I acre solidified/stabilized by Williams Environmental

Sand Cap/Solidification Plan View



Cap Cross Sections





Solidification/Stabilization Benefits Solidified sediment less permeable than sand ■ Minimal elevation increase (+ 4 to 6 inches) Forms more cohesive layer to withstand erosion

Allowed spud barge operation



In-Situ S/S Methodology

- Upper 2 feet mixed with cement-based grout + proprietary chemical
- Wide tracked excavator with floatation hull
- Tubular injector with four mixing tines and manifold
- Quick cure time created a "work" platform
- Reagents fed through hoses from upland batch plant
- Work hours two hrs. each side of low tide(s)



Work Summary

■ 181,303 gallons of reagent ■ 632 tons cement 3,971 gallons of proprietary chemical ■ 160,000 gallons of water ■ 33,000 square feet x 2 feet depth = 2,450 CY ■ 35 work days ■ Total Cost = \$561,154 (\$230/CY)





















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