

Unique Aspects of Capping and Long-Term Monitoring at River Raisin, Michigan

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Background

2012

NAPL and PCBs > 50 mg/kg observed in 1.5 acre area during GLLA 2012 dredging verification sampling

2015

Dredging and Capping remedy approved

2017–2018

Long-term monitoring performed

1997–2012

Two PCB sediment removal projects

2013-2014

Extent and mobility of PCBs and NAPL defined

- Stiff till/weathered rock
- NAPL immobile and PCBs >
 50 mg/kg found as deep as 28
 feet bss

2016

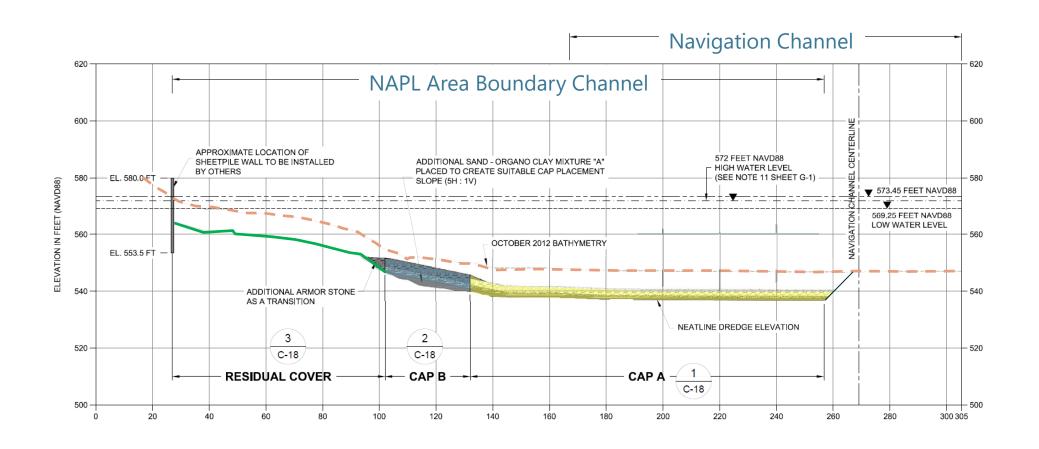
Remedy implemented

Project Participants

- Ford Motor Company
 - Mannik & Smith Group, Inc.
 - Anchor QEA, LLC
 - Sevenson Environmental Services, Inc.
- EPA
 - Great Lakes National Program Office (GLNPO)
 - Environmental Restoration, LLC and J.F. Brennan Co., Inc.
 - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- MDEQ
 - Surface Water Quality Division

The remedy was a joint effort between Ford Motor Company, EPA, and MDEQ.

Remedial Design



Construction – Sheetpile Installation



2016 Sheetpile Installation

Construction – Dredging





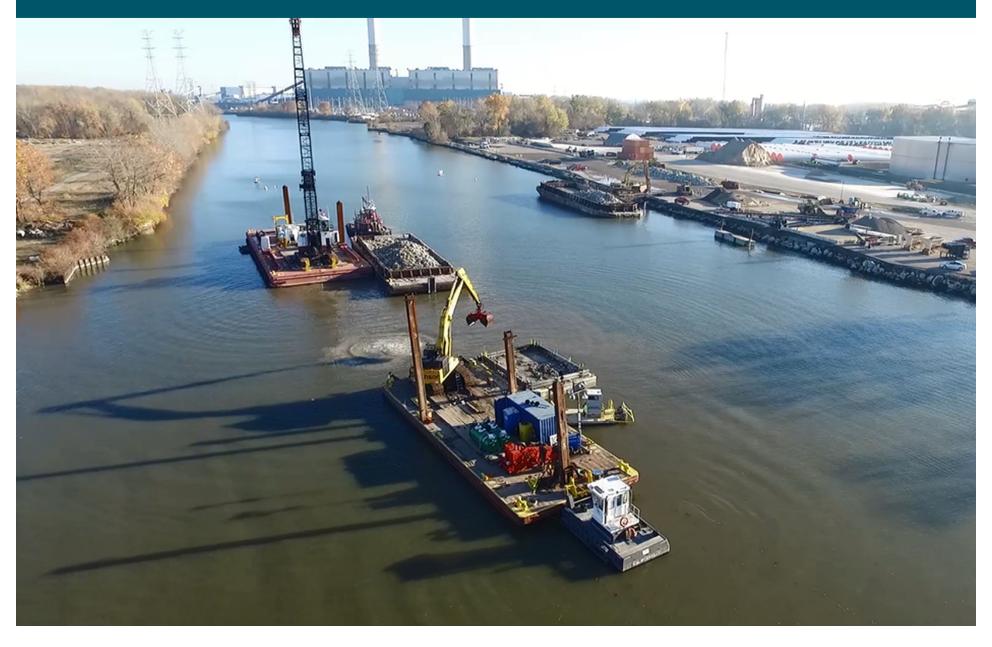


2016 Sediment Remediation at River Raisin¹

Construction – Sediment Processing



Construction – Capping



Remediation Statistics

- Removed 29,465 cy (ave 330 cy/day)
- Calciment® and Type II Portland cement (6% ave) for stabilization
- 62,293 tons (1,353 truckloads) stabilized sediment hauled off site as TSCA waste
- Capping completed in 2-week Port shutdown window
 - Sand and organoclay blended onshore (hoppers with augers, conveyors)
 - Sand leveling and sand/organoclay placed inside moonpool
 - Filter gravel and armor stone placed without moonpool







Project Challenges

- Very stiff glacial till
- Depth of NAPL/PCBs
- Vessel traffic scheduling and coordination
- Landfill material acceptance
- Procurement and contracting
- Two-week cap schedule







Implementation Costs

Activity	Entity	Cost (M)
Sheetpile Installation	EPA	\$0.4
Dredging and Processing	Ford	\$5.4
Sediment T&D	EPA	\$5.4
Fill Material Purchase & Delivery	EPA	\$2.5
Capping	Ford	\$1.3
Total		\$15.0

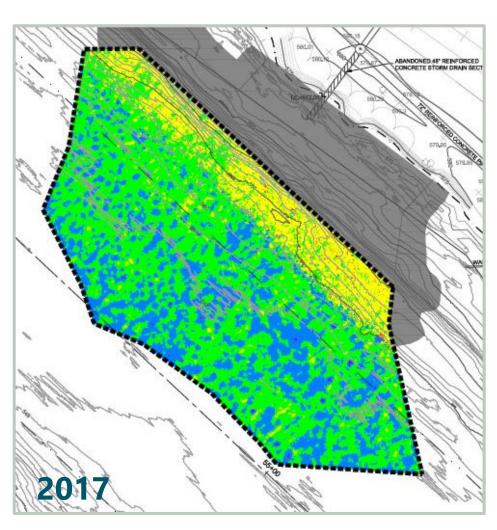
Monitoring Activities Completed to Date

Activity	Baseline (2016)	Year 1 (2017)	Year 2 (2018)
Bathymetry		√	√
Sediment Probing		√	\checkmark
Sediment Sampling (Within Cap Area)		√	✓
Sediment Sampling (Outside Cap Area)		√	✓
SPMD	√	√	√
SPME		√	√

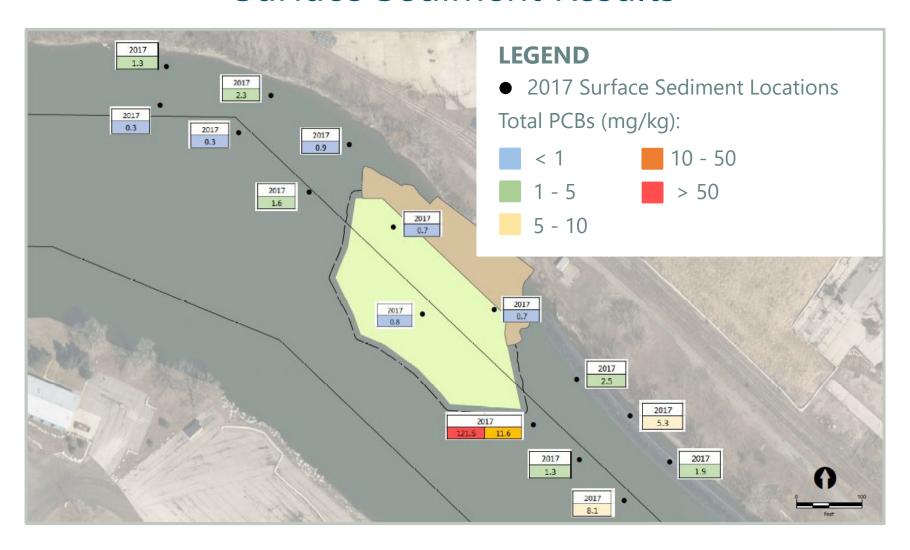
Post-Construction Bathymetry Results

ELEVATION DIFFERENCE (FT)	COLOR	AREA (SF)	AREA (%)
-1.0 to -0.5		12	0.024%
-0.5 to 0.0		218	0.44%
0.0 to 0.5		8051	16%
0.5 to 1.0		27910	57%
1.0 to 2.0		12957	26%
2.0 to 5.0		80	0.16%

Compared to 2016
As-Built Survey

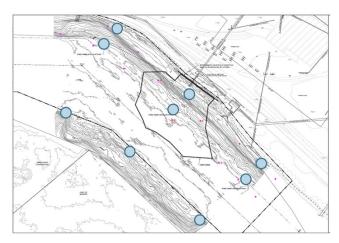


Surface Sediment Results



SPMD Sampling

- LDPE sleeve filled with triolein (oil)
- Deployed several weeks, to obtain timeintegrated sample – represent surface water
- Nine locations some disturbed



- Redeployment over time allows for relative comparison of PCB levels
- PCBs detected in SPMDs, higher downstream of NAPL Area





SPME Sampling

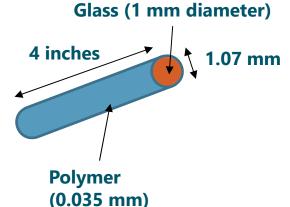
- Polymer coating absorbs PCBs
- Extended deployment
- Three monitoring ports
 - Sample porewater above organoclay
- PCBs detected in SPME
 - Similar concentrations to SPMD-calculated surface water



Sampler tip

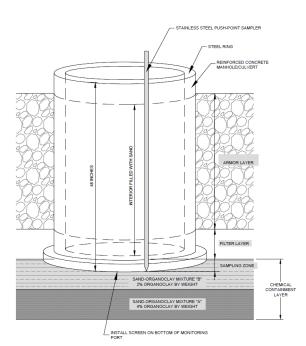


Sampler tip with one fiber



Entire push-point sampler

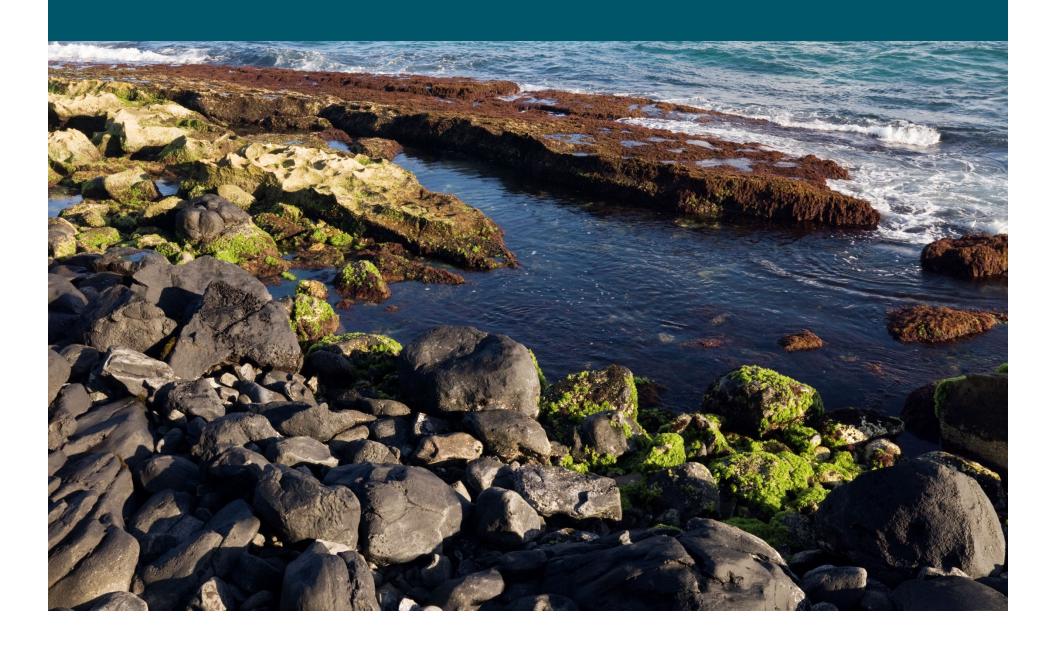




Lessons Learned

- Expect change and adaptation
- Multi-contractor/owner implementation can work
- No substitute for extensive communications
- Landfill workability criteria presents challenges
- Expect PCBs in chemical containment layer after placement (entrained surface water)

Questions/Discussion



References

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