PEARCE CREEK Project Update: November 2022



MARYLAND PORT ADMINISTRATION



The Pearce Creek Dredged Material Containment Facility (DMCF) was reactivated in 2017 after installation of an impermeable liner.

MDOT MPA Update

• The Fall 2022 Exterior Monitoring was conduced the week of September 19th. The samples have been received by the lab and are undergoing analysis. The results are anticipated in January 2023. The final report will be ready by May 2023.



NEXT Pearce Creek Implementation Committee meeting To be determined

Meetings are open to the public. For more information, email <u>ecoport@marylandports.com</u>.

For more information on the Pearce Creek project, please visit: <u>www.pearcecreekoutreach.com</u>

The US Army Corps of Engineers, Philadelphia District (CENAP) conducts the required surface water discharge and groundwater monitoring. The voluntary exterior monitoring is conducted by the Maryland Department of Transportation Maryland Port Administration (MDOT MPA).

CENAP Update

- The 2022/2023 dredging cycle has begun and is expected to continue in the Upper Chesapeake through March 31st; the majority of the work will occur from Worton Point to the Sassafras River.
- Approximately 800,000 cy will be dredged during the 2022/2023 cycle. Please note this includes the excessive shoaling material that was dredged earlier this year under an emergency Water Quality Certification (WQC) issued by the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE).
- All material dredged will be placed in the Pearce Creek DMCF.
- A new 5-year WQC was provided by MDE for placement of material in Pearce Creek DMCF.

Thank you for your interest and continued engagement in Maryland's Dredged Material Management Program.

