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**Subject:** RE: New Bedford South Terminal Invasive Species Management Plan - Paul Sneeringer (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Mike:

I was able to talk briefly with Paul Minkin about the general approach of the New Bedford South Terminal Invasive Species Management Plan before he left for the weekend.

Based upon the proliferation of brackish water invasives (phragmites, etc.) on properties adjacent to the South Terminal project site, it is likely impossible to completely get rid of these plants from upland portions of the site. However, normal disruptions and the engineered subsurface at the marine terminal could limit the growth of these invasive plant species. Along the bulkhead and/or shoreline hopefully the water salinities will limit the invasive species growth.

With regards to the aquatic invasive species, the proposed dive surveys should provide some good information on existing conditions. However, it is going to be difficult to prove that the appearance of unsurveyed aquatics are being distributed by new boat traffic at the South Terminal facility rather than other areas of New Bedford Harbor or Buzzard Bay.

Please let me know if you would like the Corps to do a more detailed review of this invasive species management plan. Thanks.

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Paul - here is the New Bedford South Terminal Invasive Species Management Plan,

for your and Paul M's review and comment. Sorry, I thought you already had this.

They reference The Evaluation of Non-Native Plant Species for Invasiveness in Massachusetts, by the Mass Invasive Plant Advisory Group.

Also, I have already requested that they complete the NED mitigation checklist, which will also hopefully provide additional information on invasive species management.

(See attached file: FACILITY\_INVASIVE\_SPECIES\_PLAN\_10-1-12.pdf)

Thanks,

Mike

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