

**USEPA Comments and Port Responses – Port of Portland, Terminal 4 Phase I Removal Action  
Year 2 Interim Monitoring Report (Anchor QEA, December 2010)**

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<b>GENERAL COMMENTS</b>					
1.	7	3.3		Please revise the last sentence of the first paragraph of Section 3.3 from "Pursuant to the Biological Opinion, the Port has monitored the habitat material layer over the past 2 years to determine if the habitat layer can be maintained in the long term." to "Pursuant to the Biological Opinion, the Port has monitored the habitat material layer over the past 2 years to determine if the habitat layer is eroding or accreting." Use of the word "maintained" implies active maintenance, which is not occurring.	The suggested change has been made to Section 3.3.
2.	11	3.4		Please elaborate on the observations of non-native species, invasive species and noxious weeds, and note if any removal was completed. Section 4.3 of the IRMP states the Port will remove such species at least twice per year. Prompt removal of individual undesired plants is important to prevent their further establishment throughout the restoration area.	The Port removed invasive species in May and June 2010 in the planted area. Updates related to this have been made to Section 3.4.
3.	12	3.4.1		Please clearly state the willow coverage observed in the areas not disturbed by construction.	The willow coverage observed inside and outside of the areas disturbed by the Wheeler Bay repair construction has been updated to Section 3.4.1.
4.	12	3.4.2		Please clearly state the grass coverage observed in the areas not disturbed by construction.	The grass coverage observed inside and outside of the area disturbed by the Wheeler Bay repair construction has been made to Section 3.4.2.
5.	16	5.2.1		For completeness, please include the proposed future monitoring of the repaired area (as currently contained in Section 11 of the Closure Report) in this section of the monitoring report.	The proposed future monitoring of the repaired area has been added to Section 5.2.