## St. Louis River Area of Concern Contaminated Sediment Remediation Sites





## Sediment Remediation Options

**Dredging** is the removal of sediment from the bottom of a waterway to permanently eliminate contaminated sediments or to deepen channels. Dredging eradicates risks from legacy contamination and eliminates waterway use restrictions. **Capping** is the placement of material on top of contaminated sediment to isolate and bury the contamination. Capping requires long-term monitoring and maintenance, and may require controls or restrictions on uses of the waterway. **Monitored natural recovery (MNR)** relies on natural processes to decrease sediment concentrations to acceptable levels within a reasonable timeframe.

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	Newton Creek/Hog Island InletCleanup Completed 1997 to 2005• Contaminated sediment excavated from a 1.8 mile creek and 18-acre bay• More than 44,000 cubic yards of petroleum and PAH contaminated sediment removed• DNR surveys in 2016 found the Total PAH cleanup goal of 2.6 mg/kg is still being met			
	Howards Bay, Hughitt and Cummings SlipsCleanup Completed in 2021• Contaminants: lead, organotin, mercury, PAHs• 118,660 cubic yards of dredging and 1.5 acres of enhanced natural recovery• 84,133 cubic yards of dredged material beneficially reused to improve landfill cover• 1 sunken fish tug removed• Landfill cap seeded with native plants• To be developed in 2023 with a walking trail, benches, and open-sided shelter			
	Vunger LandingCleanup Construction in 2022 & 2023Remediate contaminated sedimentsIn-water construction 2022 through 2023Wisconsin work to start in 2023Contaminants: PCBs, dioxin, and metals			
	Hallett Dock 8/C. Reiss Coal SlipRemedial Design Completed in 2022• Assessment of sediment chemistry, benthic toxicity and benthic community• Partnership agreements developed between EPA, C. Reiss Co and DNR• Contaminated sediments are contributing to beneficial use impairments• Contaminants: PAHs and petroleum sheen			
	<ul> <li>C Street Slip (footprint expanded beyond SWL&amp;P site) Remedial Design in 2023</li> <li>2022 – Sampling completed to delineate extent of mercury contamination</li> <li>EPA and SWL&amp;P consider source control project, including DNR to cleanup MGP and mercury waste in a combined project</li> <li>Evaluating options to remediate mercury contaminated sediments</li> <li>Contaminants: PAHs and VOC impacts from manufactured gas plant, mercury from undetermined legacy source</li> </ul>			
Oil Barge Dock Slip       Feasibility Study in 2023         • Remedy selection and design       • Assessment of sediment chemistry, benthic toxicity and benthic community         • Contaminated sediments are contributing to beneficial use impairments         • Contaminants: historical coal and petroleum operations				
General Mills Slip       Feasibility Study in 2023         • Remedy selection and design       • Assessment of sediment chemistry, benthic toxicity and benthic community         • Contaminated sediments are contributing to beneficial use impairments       • Contaminants: metals, PAHs and organotin				
Tower Avenue Slip       Feasibility Study in 2023         • Remedy selection and design       • Assessment of sediment chemistry, benthic toxicity and benthic community         • Contaminated sediments are contributing to beneficial use impairments       • Contaminants: metals, PAHs and organotin				
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