

Capability Statement

Dredge Monitoring and Impact Identification

Client: Transnet Capital Projects/HMG Joint Venture

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REQUIREMENTS

- Assessment of the impacts associated with construction of the container berth in Ben Schoeman Dock in the Port of Cape Town, on the marine ecology in the Table Bay region.
- Environmental monitoring of sediment and water quality characteristics at the dredge site at the Ben Schoeman Dock, as well as at the dredge spoil dump site further offshore.

WORK DONE

- Assessment of the impacts associated with construction of the Ben Schoeman Dock in the Port of Cape Town on the marine ecology in the Table Bay region.
- Grab sampling to measure detailed sediment properties in the proposed dredge area
- A detailed survey of sediment properties and macrofauna distribution at two candidate dredge dump sites
- Simulation modelling of the dredging induced turbidity plumes
- Environmental monitoring of sediment and water quality characteristics at the dredge site at the Ben Schoeman Dock, as well as at the dump site further offshore, which involved:

- Continuous monitoring of water quality in the area immediately adjacent to the dredge area using a moored data buoy with real time data transmission
- Measurements of near field turbidity distributions around the operating Trailer Suction Hopper Dredger (TSHD)
- Water quality profiling at the dredge spoil dump site
- A survey of dumped sediment plume behaviour at the dredge spoil dump site
- Continuation of the sediment monitoring programmes at the dredge spoil dump site including monitoring of the distribution of sediment particle sizes, heavy metals and macrobenthos through grab sampling

OUTCOMES:

Lwandle provided good quality, robust data to the client which allowed for the successful completion of the construction phase of the project, and compliance with the environmental management plan.



"Identification and monitoring of the marine impacts associated with capital dredging of the Ben Schoeman Dock at the Cape Town Port"



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