# **Portland Harbor Superfund Site:** Information Management and Institutional Control Plans





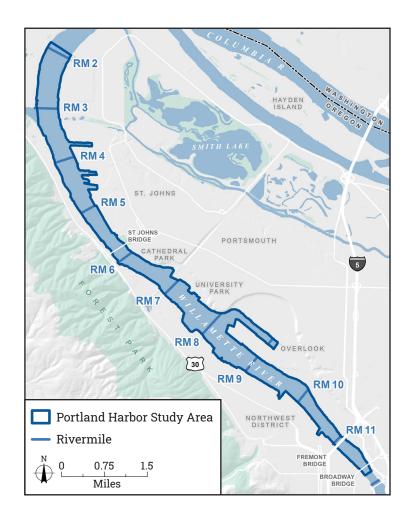
## **Background and overview**

In 2000, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) listed Portland Harbor as a Superfund site. EPA issued its final cleanup plan in 2017. The plan calls for a combination of dredging, capping, and other technologies to reduce risks to human health and the environment. With EPA oversight, performing parties and government agencies will plan, implement, monitor, and document the cleanup throughout the site for many years to come. The State and City are developing plans to guide the management of cleanup data and institutional controls.

## Making Portland Harbor sitewide information accessible and transparent

The Portland Harbor Superfund Site is now in a new phase of the cleanup effort remedial design. The City of Portland and State of Oregon are laying the groundwork to make both site-specific and harbor-wide information publicly accessible and transparent.

The purpose of this effort is to (1) ensure that information and data are presented in a format that is consistent and useful and (2) describe the institutional controls (ICs) and how harbor-wide and site-specific ICs will be documented, tracked and communicated.



## Cleanup data

Sediment, soil, water, and fish tissue contamination results collected at the site before, during, and after the cleanup.

#### Institutional controls

Activity and use limitations (such as fish advisories and zoning restrictions) to reduce people's exposure to contamination during and after the cleanup and to protect the remedy.

## Why this effort matters

YOUR participation is key to letting us know about your information needs during and after the cleanup. Here are some ways people could use the future website:

- Fishers could learn where the fish advisory applies, learn how many fish and which kinds are safe to eat, and check for any changes to the advisory.
- Agencies could identify the location of sediment caps to evaluate new activities.
- Businesses or agencies could find cleanup data to inform management decisions.
- A party collecting cleanup data will be asked to prepare data in a format specific to upload into the database developed based on the IMP.

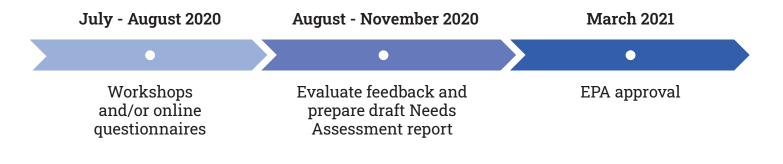
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## **Timeline for the Needs Assessment**

## We want to hear from you!

We are conducting a needs assessment by seeking input from the **community, local businesses, waterfront property owners, public agencies, and Tribes** through workshops and/or online questionnaires. You are invited to share your input on the following:

- What cleanup data and institutional control information should be included.
- Your experience accessing and using Portland Harbor cleanup data.
- Your thoughts on data and information presentation from Portland Harbor and similar projects.
- How this information could assist in agency coordination.



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