

**Update to the Deltaport Third Berth Community Liaison Committee  
June 26, 2007**

**Noise**

- VPA has been doing construction noise monitoring since the commencement of the project.
- The emerging issue is that when the FRPD Dredge "Columbia" returned for fitting out the ladder pump the silencers identified by FRPD as a potential method to abate noise had not been fitted to the dredge and a second generator to power the ladder pump for the deep dredging is now in place.
- VPA retained BKL Consultants to conduct a detailed acoustic assessment of the construction and operation of Deltaport and the Westshore operations. During the week of June 18th, Mr. Doug Kennedy met with the various residents that had expressed noise concerns (Mr. Vic Rivers, Mr. Steve Kinsey) to understand the type of noise and the time when there is the most disturbance. On June 25, acoustic profile recorders were installed at Deltaport and at the residence of Mr. Vic Rivers. In addition a meteorological station was installed at Mr. Rivers residence to collect data in conjunction with the existing Westshore metrological station.
- Acoustic data will be analyzed over a two-week period, however, if exceedences are identified early in the recording process the VPA will require the contractor to stop all dredging operations from 11:00 PM to 7:00 AM until an effective noise abatement program is in place to allow night time dredging to continue. The silencers alone as originally proposed may not be adequate until tested and the additional generator is now a secondary noise source.
- In regard to the exceedences BKL will assess the type an intensity of the noise source and the meteorological conditions to develop an exceedence level that can be measured closer to the dredge to address the delay in driving down to the TFN lands or the BC Ferry Causeway to take measurements.
- VPA and the consultant are working directly with the residents that have reported noise concerns and will share the results of investigations and mitigation with them and the rest of the DCLC.