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I strongly advise that the Port of Olympia's amendment to the 2008 agreed order be revised to include the following:

A clean up project by design should focus on the hot spots with the highest level of contamination. Navigation dredging in less contaminated areas such as the West Bay berthing areas and the East Bay Marina is clearly a move by the Port to support its Marine Terminal as opposed to a clean up effort based on science. Navigation dredging is a blatant waste of taxpayer dollars and is unacceptable in a serious clean up effort.

Surface dioxin contamination in Budd Inlet indicates it is likely legacy pollution from Cascade Pole. Budd Inlet should be sampled according to DNAPL protocols which require numerous core samples down to the first aquitard.