# **Appendix B. Water Quality Monitoring Results**



# Table B1: Action and Limit Levels of Water Quality for Dredging, Disposal and Capping Activities at ESC CMP V

| Parameters  | Action   | Limit  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| Dissolved Oxygen (DO)   | Surface and Middle Depth <sup>(2)</sup>  | Surface and Middle Depth <sup>(2)</sup>  |  |  |
| in mg L <sup>-1</sup> (Surface, Middle & Bottom) <sup>(1)</sup> | 5%-ile of baseline data for surface and middle layer = <b>3.76</b>                         | 1%-ile of baseline data for surface and middle layer = <b>3.11</b> <sup>(3)</sup>          |  |  |
|   | and  | and  |  |  |
|   | Significantly less than the reference station's mean DO (at the same tide of the same day) | Significantly less than the reference station's mean DO (at the same tide of the same day) |  |  |
|   | Bottom   | Bottom   |  |  |
|   | 5%-ile of baseline data for surface and middle layer = <b>2.96</b>                         | The average of the impact station readings are < 2   |  |  |
|   | and  | and  |  |  |
|   | Significantly less than the reference station's mean DO (at the same tide of the same day) | Significantly less than the reference station's mean DO (at the same tide of the same day) |  |  |
| Suspended Solids (SS) in mg L <sup>-1</sup>                     | 95%-ile of baseline data for depth-<br>averaged = <b>37.88</b>                             | 99%-ile of baseline data for depth-<br>averaged = <b>61.92</b>                             |  |  |
| (depth-averaged) <sup>(5)</sup>                                 | and  | and  |  |  |
|   | 120% of control station's SS at the same tide of the same day                              | 130% of control station's SS at the same tide of the same day                              |  |  |
| Turbidity   | 95%-ile of baseline data = <b>28.14</b>  | 99%-ile of baseline data = <b>38.32</b>  |  |  |
| in NTU  | and  | and  |  |  |
| (depth-averaged) <sup>(4)(5)</sup>                              | 120% of control station's Turbidity at the same tide of the same day                       | 130% of control station's Turbidity at the same tide of the same day                       |  |  |

### Notes:

- 1. For DO, non-compliance of the water quality limits occurs when monitoring result is lower than the limits.
- 2. Action and Limit Levels for DO for Surface and Middle layers were calculated from the combined pool of baseline surface layer data and baseline middle layer data.
- 3. Given the Action Level for DO for Surface and Middle layers has already been lower than 4 mg L<sup>-1</sup>, it is proposed to set the Limit Level at 3.11 mg L<sup>-1</sup> which is the first percentile of the baseline data.
- 4. "Depth-averaged" is calculated by taking the arithmetic means of reading of all three depths.
- 5. For turbidity and SS, non-compliance of the water quality limits occurs when monitoring result is higher than the limits.



## Table B2: Water Column Profiling Results for ESC CMP Vb in December 2022

| Station               | Temp. | Salinity     | Turbidity | ty Dissolved Oxygen |                       | рН      | Suspended Solids      |  |
|-----------------------|-------|--------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------|-----------------------|--|
|                       | (°C)  | (ppt)        | (NTU)     | (%)                 | (mg L <sup>-1</sup> ) |         | (mg L <sup>-1</sup> ) |  |
| WCP 1<br>(Downstream) | 21.67 | 32.57        | 8.17      | 91.85               | 6.69                  | 8.14    | 5.5                   |  |
| WCP 2<br>(Upstream)   | 21.94 | 32.61        | 6.41      | 90.46               | 6.55                  | 8.17    | 7.0                   |  |
| WQO<br>(Dry Season)   | N/A   | 29.35-35.87# | N/A       | N/A                 | >4                    | 6.5-8.5 | 13.1                  |  |

### Notes:

- 1. \*Not exceeding 10% of natural ambient level which is the result obtained from the Reference Station.
- 2. Cell shaded yellow / red indicates value exceeding the Action/Limit levels.
- 3. Cell shaded grey indicates value exceeding the WQO.

Table B3: In-situ Monitoring Results for Routine Water Quality Monitoring of ESC CMPs in December 2022

| Station            | Temp. | Salinity    | Turbidity | <b>Dissolved Oxygen</b> |                       | рН      |
|--------------------|-------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------|
|                    | (°C)  | (ppt)       | (NTU)     | (%)                     | (mg L <sup>-1</sup> ) |         |
| RFF (Reference)    | 23.88 | 30.40       | 11.01     | 85.55                   | 6.06                  | 8.00    |
| IPF (Impact)       | 23.93 | 30.15       | 8.67      | 85.52                   | 6.07                  | 7.96    |
| INF (Intermediate) | 23.92 | 29.90       | 8.12      | 85.98                   | 6.11                  | 8.02    |
| Ma Wan             | 23.76 | 32.13       | 8.13      | 85.20                   | 5.99                  | 8.08    |
| WQO (Dry Season)   | N/A   | 27.36-33.44 | N/A       | N/A                     | >4                    | 6.5-8.5 |

#### Notes:

- 1. \*Not exceeding 10% of natural ambient level which is the result obtained from the Reference Station.
- 2. Cell shaded yellow / red indicates value exceeding the Action/Limit levels.
- 3. Cell shaded grey indicates value exceeding the WQO.



Table B4: Laboratory Results for Dissolved Metals and Metalloid in Routine Water Quality Monitoring of ESC CMPs in December 2022

| Station | As     | Cd     | Cr     | Cu     | Pb     | Hg     | Ni     | Ag     | Zn     |
|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|         | (µg/L) |
| RFF     | 1.75   | 0.03   | 0.09   | 0.71   | 0.05   | 0.018  | 0.81   | ND     | 0.13   |
| IPF     | 1.90   | 0.03   | 0.09   | 0.74   | 0.23   | 0.013  | 0.83   | 0.01   | 0.29   |
| INF     | 1.76   | 0.04   | 0.09   | 0.76   | 0.28   | 0.014  | 0.90   | 0.02   | 0.19   |
| Ma Wan  | 1.68   | 0.02   | 0.13   | 0.59   | 0.20   | 0.016  | 0.51   | ND     | 0.28   |

Note:

Table B5: Laboratory Results for Nutrients and Suspended Solid in Routine Water Quality Monitoring of ESC CMPs in December 2022

| Station | NH <sub>3</sub> | TIN    | BOD₅   | SS     |  |
|---------|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|--|
|         | (mg/L)          | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) |  |
| RFF     | 0.12            | 0.53   | 0.50   | 15.5   |  |
| IPF     | 0.12            | 0.53   | 0.52   | 12.0   |  |
| INF     | 0.12            | 0.57   | 0.57   | 12.0   |  |
| Ma Wan  | 0.16            | 0.33   | 0.55   | 10.5   |  |

WQO of TIN: 0.5 mg/L Dry Season WQO of SS: 13.1 mg/L

#### Notes:

- 1. "<LOR" indicates the concentrations of contaminants are below the limit of reporting.
- 2. Cell shaded yellow / red indicates value exceeding the Action/Limit levels.
- 3. Cell shaded grey indicates value exceeding the WQO.

<sup>1. &</sup>quot;ND" indicates the concentrations of metals and metalloids are not detected.