

Ninth update of the 2007 Helicopter Monitoring Program

Floatables:

The New York/New Jersey Harbor complex was monitored for floatables six times from August 4 - August 13. The Harbor Complex was clear of significant floatable debris on August 4 and 7. Floatable flights were cancelled due to rain on the August 10.

On August 8, a slick of light density, approximately 600 yards long, was reported in the Gravesend Bay. A slick of light density, approximately 400 yards long, was reported in the Gravesend Bay. Patches of scattered debris were reported throughout the Upper Harbor. A slick of moderate density, approximately 200 yards long, was reported in the Hudson River.

Two slicks of heavy density. Approximately 200 yards and 50 yards long respectively, were reported in the Hudson River. A slick of heavy density, approximately 400 yards long by 100 yards wide, was reported in the Newark Bay.

On August 9, a slick of light density, approximately 100 yards long, was reported in the Hudson River. A patch of scattered debris, approximately 10 yards long by 10 yards wide, was reported in the Upper Harbor.

On August 11, a slick of moderate density, approximately 300-400 feet long, was reported in the Kill Van Kull. A slick of heavy density was reported in the Gravesend Bay.

On August 13, a slick of light density, approximately 300-400 yards long, was reported in the Arthur Kill.

On August 8, an oily rainbow sheen, approximately 400 yards long and 15 feet wide, was reported in the Kill Van Kull.

All floatable debris slicks consisted of large wood and plastics and were reported to Army Corps of Engineers. The Army Corps of Engineers conducted clean-ups as necessary. The oily sheens were reported to the US Coast Guard.