



**Meeting Date: April 7, 2015**

### **LOCAL CHANNEL DREDGING PROGRAM**

#### **Ladner Harbour**

- All dredging is now complete in the channels identified in the Phase I scope of this project.
- Port Metro Vancouver will be working with funding partners to determine future dredging activities, primarily maintenance dredging based on the remaining funds. Fund availability will be clear by end of April.

### **HABITAT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM**

#### **Salt Marsh Restoration at Roberts Bank and Boundary Bay update**

- Port Metro Vancouver has completed a recent site visit to Boundary Bay, and plans to remove two large pieces of debris in the vicinity of the saltmarsh restoration sites (i.e. a small boat and tire) in April. A shore-line cleanup is tentatively being planning by the Rotary Clubs of Tsawwassen and Ladner. The date for the shore-line cleanup has not yet been scheduled.

#### **Glenrose Tidal Marsh Project update**

- Port Metro Vancouver visited the site recently this spring. The March 4<sup>th</sup> visit showed signs of certain marsh species (Baltic rush, Spike rush, Tapered rush) re-emerging after winter, whereas other species (sedge and cattail) were likely still dormant from the overwintering phase. The March 20<sup>th</sup> visit showed signs of plant growth of most of the marsh species, including rush species as well as sedge and cattail.

#### **Proposed Westham Island Canoe Pass Tidal Marsh Project**

- Port Metro Vancouver has provided Delta Farmer's Institute with follow up information regarding their specific concerns, including memos from Moffat & Nichol (coastal engineering firm) and Hemmera (environmental consultancy) and will continue to engage with both Corporation of Delta and DFI regarding the Westham Island Canoe Pass Tidal Marsh Project.