

**Table 28: Disposal of Dredging**

	<b>Relevant Authorities for this activity</b>	<b>Other Competent Authorities</b>	<b>Other associated organisations</b>
<b>Authorities associated with activity</b>	English Nature (EN), Isle of Wight council, Harbour authorities, Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA), Department of Transport		
<b>Location</b>	There are four dredging disposal (spoil) grounds within the vicinity of the SWMEMS: WO81 West Wight; WO80 Hurst Fort; WO90 Needles; and WO60 Nab Tower.		
<b>Frequency</b>	Unknown		
<b>Potential effects with regards to Reg. 33 advice</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Noise</li> <li>• Visual presence</li> <li>• Smothering</li> <li>• Introduction of synthetic or non-synthetic compounds</li> </ul>		
<b>Research undertaken</b>	In December 2001 CEFAS produced a report Commissioned by DEFRA: The impact of disposal of marine dredged material on the South Wight Maritime and Solent Maritime cSAC, this details amounts of sediment dumped up to 2000.		
<b>Research required</b>	Appropriate Environmental Impact Assessments for new proposals		
<b>Ongoing management</b>	<p>Permission is required from EN for any operation likely to damage a SSSI. EN may consent, assist or advise on any operations listed as 'an operation requiring EN's consent (formerly Operations Likely to Damage, OLD). EN is able to prosecute anyone for damage to a SSSI under the CRoW Act 2000. EN is also able to make byelaws for the protection of a European marine site under Regulation 36 of the Conservation Regulations 1994 but this is considered a last resort in the management of this site.</p> <p>During the management of this activity consultation by DEFRA and Department of Transport as advised by EN, CEFAS and the HA must be undertaken. They may also need to consult with other local authorities or national organisations such as Trinity House.</p>		
<b>Gaps in management</b>			
<b>New actions required</b>	<b>Relevant Authority to implement new actions</b>	<b>Timescale</b>	
1. To be kept informed of results of dogwhelk surveys off Hanover Point via Roger Herbert.	Secretariat	Annual	
2. To be kept up to date regarding information on disposal of dredged spoil - intensity/frequency and data on extent of contamination	Secretariat	Annual	