WODA ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ON DREDGING

The World Organisation of Dredging Associations (WODA) recognizes that carefully designed and well executed dredging conducted in an environmentally sound manner contributes to a stronger economy. WODA believes that dredging projects can be conceived, permitted, and implemented in a cost-effective and timely manner while meeting environmental goals and specific regulatory requirements. WODA is committed to the development and implementation of appropriate environmental safeguards and performance guidelines for construction, maintenance, mining and remedial dredging.

Beneficial use of dredged materials is encouraged. Open lines of communication among stakeholders, such as port interests, dredging contractors, regulatory agencies, other business interests, environmental interest groups, and the public, should be standard elements of any project. WODA encourages investment in and expeditious transfer of new technologies, and the development of new, more efficient techniques for improving the evaluation and safe handling of dredged material.

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