



**Public Meeting for the Hart-Miller Island
Dredged Material Containment Facility
North Cell Habitat Development**

Hart-Miller Island (HMI) has been an active placement site for material dredged from the Port of Baltimore and some portions of the Baltimore and Chesapeake Bay navigation channels. Construction of Hart-Miller Island was initiated in 1981 and the island began to receive dredged material in 1984. The ~1,100- acre placement facility is divided into two cells, the North Cell, which is 800 acres and the South Cell, which is ~300 acres. No new material has been placed in the South Cell since 1990 and the cell has been developed into a managed wildlife habitat. Dredged material will continue to be placed in the North Cell until the maximum elevation is reached or mandated closure occurs on December 31, 2009. As stated in the Master Plan, goals for the North Cell are to establish wildlife habitat and passive recreational opportunities. In order to achieve these goals, the Maryland Port Administration (MPA) authorized studies to develop preliminary closure concepts in 2004. A pre-feasibility study was undertaken through which concepts were identified. The concepts were presented to the public in 2006 and preferred concepts were selected for further study. The MPA is conducting two public meetings to update the public on the progress of HMI and to solicit public comments on the preferred concepts. The North Cell Habitat Development Team and Working Group will continue to refine the preferred concepts using input received from these meetings. The MPA invites interested individuals, agencies, and organizations to attend a public meeting to ask questions and submit comments. The public is asked to remember that information presented at these meetings is still conceptual; final implementation of the chosen concept may take as long as 10-15 years. MPA personnel, as well as supporting staff will be available to provide information and answer questions.

Tuesday, October 28, 2008

6:30 PM poster session

7:00 PM presentations

Chesapeake High School, Auditorium

1801 Turkey Point Road

Baltimore, MD. 21221

Wednesday, October 29, 2008

6:30 PM poster session

7:00 PM presentations

Sparrows Point High School, Auditorium

7400 North Point Rd

Baltimore, MD 21219

If you cannot attend either meeting and/or wish to comment or have any questions, you may contact Mr. Nathaniel Brown at the Maryland Port Administration, 2310 Broening Highway, Baltimore, Maryland 21224-6621 or at the following e-mail address: nbrown2@marylandports.com