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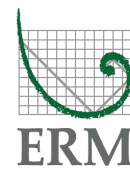
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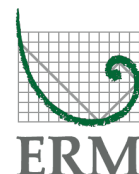
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AT SHA CHAU - April 2010

1.1 BACKGROUND

Since 1992, the East of Sha Chau area has been the site of a series of dredged contaminated mud pits (CMPs) designed to provide confined marine disposal capacity for contaminated mud arising from the HKSAR's dredging and reclamation projects. CMP IVc is presently in operation for backfilling by contaminated mud and is anticipated to reach its capacity in 2010. A series of four newly constructed seabed pits at the East of Sha Chau area, CMP Va-d, will be provided for the disposal of contaminated mud after CMP IVc is full. Dredging operations are now taking place to construct CMP Va. The environmental monitoring and audit (EM&A) programme for the CMPs at the East of Sha Chau area presently covers disposal operations at CMP IVc and dredging operations at CMP V.

1.2 REPORTING PERIOD

This *Monthly Progress Report* covers the monitoring period of April 2010.

1.3 DETAILS OF SAMPLING AND LABORATORY TESTING ACTIVITIES

For CMP IVc, sampling for *Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry Monitoring* was conducted on 21 April 2010. For CMP V, sampling for *Impact Monitoring during Dredging Operations* was conducted on 20 April 2010. A summary of field activities are presented in *Annex A*.

A summary of laboratory analysis results submitted by the Contractor in this reporting month is presented on *Table 1.1*.

Table 1.1 *Summary of laboratory analysis results submitted by the Contractor during the reporting month*

Key Task	Monitoring Component	Results Received from the Contractor
CMP V		
Water Sampling and Chemical Analysis	Impact Monitoring during Dredging Operations	April's sampling: 20 April 2010

1.4 *DETAILS OF OUTSTANDING SAMPLING AND / OR ANALYSIS*

No outstanding sampling and laboratory analysis remained from April 2010.

1.5 *BRIEF DISCUSSION OF THE MONITORING RESULTS*

Results of *Impact Monitoring during Dredging Operations* for April 2010 are presented for CMP V. Detailed results will be discussed in the relevant *Quarterly Reports*.

1.5.1 *CMP V*

Impact Monitoring during Dredging Operations of CMP V – April 2010

Impact Monitoring during Dredging Operations of CMP V was conducted on 20 April 2010. Sampling was conducted during both mid-ebb and mid-flood tides at two Reference (Upstream) stations upstream and five Impact (Downstream) stations downstream of the dredging operations at CMP V. Monitoring was also conducted at the Ma Wan station. At each station, *in-situ* measurements of water quality parameters were taken as well as water samples from three depths in the water column (surface (1m below sea surface), mid-depth and bottom (1m above the seabed)).

Monitoring results are presented in *Figures 1 to 4 of Annex B*. Levels of DO, depth-average Turbidity and TSS complied with the Action and Limit Levels set in the *Baseline Monitoring Report* ⁽¹⁾ (*Tables B1 and B2 of Annex B*).

1.6 *ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR THE NEXT MONTH*

No monitoring activity will be conducted for CMP IVc. *Impact Monitoring during Dredging Operations* for CMP V are scheduled in the next monthly period of May 2010. The sampling schedule is presented in *Annex A*.

⁽¹⁾ ERM (2009) Baseline Monitoring Report. Environmental Monitoring and Audit for Contaminated Mud Pit at Sha Chau (2009-2013) – Investigation. Agreement No. CE 4/2009(EP). Submitted to EPD in September 2009.

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STUDY PROGRAMME

A summary of the Study programme is presented in *Annex C*.

Annex A

Sampling Schedule

			2009					2010					
Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry	Code	Frequency	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M
Active-Pit	NCA 1-8	3 times per year	*					*				*	
	NCB 1-8	3 times per year	*					*				*	
Pit-Edge	CPA 1-8	3 times per year	*					*				*	
	CPB 1-8	3 times per year	*					*				*	
Near-Pit	CNA 1-8	3 times per year	*					*				*	
	CNB 1-8	3 times per year	*					*				*	

			J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M
Near-field Stations	RNA 1-9	2 times per year	*					*					
	RNB 1-9	2 times per year	*					*					
Mid-field Stations	RMA 1-9	2 times per year	*					*					
	RMB 1-9	2 times per year	*					*					
Capped Pit Stations	RCA 1-9	2 times per year	*					*					
	RCB 1-9	2 times per year	*					*					
Far-Field Stations	RFA 1-9	2 times per year	*					*					
	RFB 1-9	2 times per year	*					*					

			J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M
Near-Field Stations	TCA	2 times per year	3					3					
	TCB	2 times per year	3					3					
Reference Stations	TRA	2 times per year	3					3					
	TRB	2 times per year	3					3					

			J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M
Near-Pit Stations	INA	2 times per year	*							*			
	INB	2 times per year	*							*			
Reference North	TNA	2 times per year	*							*			
	TNB	2 times per year	*							*			
Reference South	TSA	2 times per year	*							*			
	TSB	2 times per year	*							*			

			J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M
Near Pit Stations	INA 1-5	4 times per year	5	5					5	5			
	INB 1-5	4 times per year	5	5					5	5			
Reference North	TNA 1-5	4 times per year	5	5					5	5			
	TNB 1-5	4 times per year	5	5					5	5			
Reference South	TSA 1-5	4 times per year	5	5					5	5			
	TSB 1-5	4 times per year	5	5					5	5			

			J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M
Ebb Tide													
Impact Station Downcurrent	IPE1	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	IPE2	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	IPE3	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	IPE4	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	IFC1	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
Intermediate Station Downcurrent	INE1	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	INE2	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	INE3	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	INE4	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	INE5	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
Reference Station Upcurrent	RFE1	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	RFE2	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	RFE3	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	RFE4	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	RFE5	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
Flood Tide													
Impact Station Downcurrent	INF1	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	IFC2	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	INF3	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
Intermediate Station Downcurrent	IPF1	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	IPF2	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	IPF3	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
Reference Station Upcurrent	RFF1	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	RFF2	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				
	RFF3	4 times per year	3	3				3	3				

			J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M
Routine Water Quality Monitoring													
Ebb Tide													
Impact Station Downcurrent	IPE1	2 times per year	*							*			
	IPE2	2 times per year	*							*			
	IPE3	2 times per year	*							*			
	IPE4	2 times per year	*							*			
	IPE5	2 times per year	*							*			
Intermediate Station Downcurrent	INE1	2 times per year	*							*			
	INE2	2 times per year	*							*			
	INE3	2 times per year	*							*			
	INE4	2 times per year	*							*			
	INE5	2 times per year	*							*			
Reference Station Upcurrent	RFE1	2 times per year	*							*			
	RFE2	2 times per year	*							*			
	RFE3	2 times per year	*							*			
	RFE4	2 times per year	*							*			
	RFE5	2 times per year	*							*			
Flood Tide													
Impact Station Downcurrent	INF1	2 times per year	*							*			
	INF2	2 times per year	*							*			
	INF3	2 times per year	*							*			
Intermediate Station Downcurrent	IPF1	2 times per year	*							*			
	IPF2	2 times per year	*							*			
	IPF3	2 times per year	*							*			
Reference Station Upcurrent	RFF1	2 times per year	*							*			
	RFF2	2 times per year	*							*			
	RFF3	2 times per year	*							*			

			J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M
Plume Stations	WCP1	6 times per year	2	2				2	2	2			
	WCP2	6 times per year	2	2				2	2	2			



			J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M
Benthic Recolonisation Studies													
Capped Contaminated Mud Pits	CPA 1-3	2 times per year	3					3					
	CPB 1-3	2 times per year	3					3					
	CPC 1-3	2 times per year	3					3					
Reference Stations	RBA 1-3	2 times per year	3					3					
	RBB 1-3	2 times per year	3					3					
	RBC 1-3	2 times per year	3					3					

* = Number of replicates depends on field catch or parameters

Sampling completed

Annex A2 - East of Sha Chau Environmental Monitoring and Audit Sampling Schedule for CMP V (July 2009 - April 2010)

			2009					2010						
			J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	
Baseline Water Quality Monitoring														
Near Field	ESC-WNAA	To be surveyed 24 times (3 days per week during mid-flood and mid-ebb tide of each day) in the month prior to commencement of marine works	*	*										
	ESC-WNAB		*	*										
	ESC-WNAC		*	*										
	ESC-WNAD		*	*										
	ESC-WNBA		*	*										
	ESC-WNBB		*	*										
	ESC-WNBC		*	*										
	ESC-WNBD													
Mid Field	ESC-WMB	To be surveyed 24 times (3 days per week during mid-flood and mid-ebb tide of each day) in the month prior to commencement of marine works	*	*										
	ESC-WMA		*	*										
Far Field	ESC-WFA	To be surveyed 24 times (3 days per week during mid-flood and mid-ebb tide of each day) in the month prior to commencement of marine works	*	*										
	ESC-WFB		*	*										
	MW1		*	*										
Reference Stations	NM1	To be surveyed 24 times (3 days per week during mid-flood and mid-ebb tide of each day) in the month prior to commencement of marine works	*	*										
	NM2		*	*										
	NM3		*	*										
	NM5		*	*										
	NM6		*	*										
Water Column Profiling			J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	
Plume Stations	Upstream			2	2	2	2	2	2	2				
	Downstream			2	2	2	2	2	2	2				
Water Quality Impact Monitoring for Dredging			J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	
Downcurrent Impact Stations	1				*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	2				*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	3				*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	4				*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	5				*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Upcurrent Stations	1				*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	2				*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	MW1				*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

 Sampling completed
 Sampling to be completed

Annex B

Monitoring Results

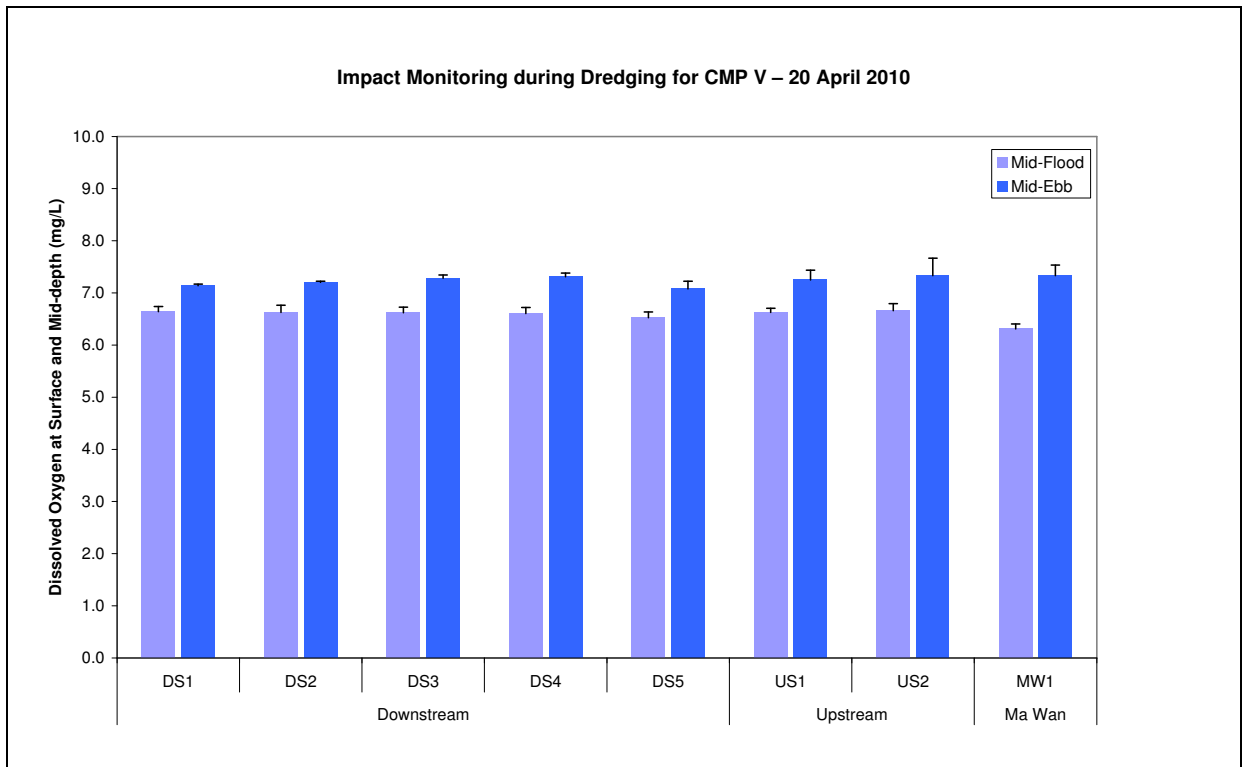


Figure 1: Surface and Mid Depth Averaged DO Level (mean \pm SD) at Downstream (DS1, DS2, DS3, DS4 and DS5 stations), Upstream (US1 and US2 stations) and Ma Wan (MW1 station) during Impact Monitoring for Dredging on 20 April 2010.

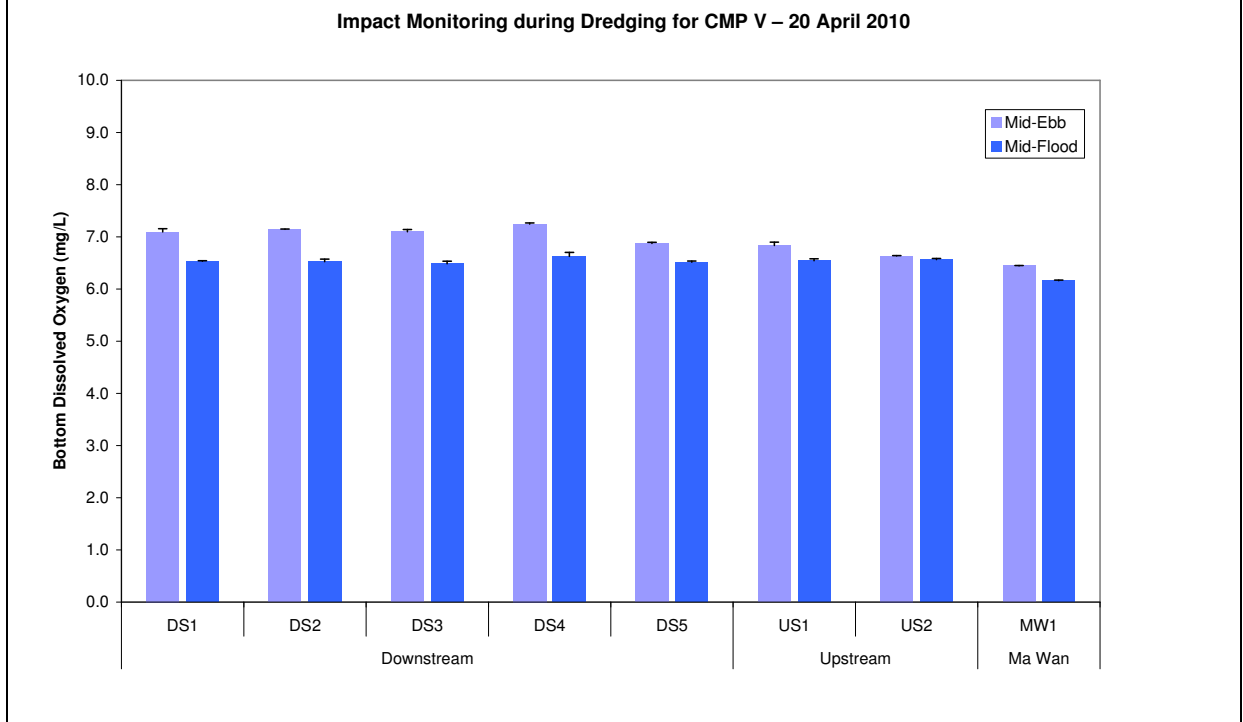


Figure 2: Bottom DO Level (mean \pm SD) at Downstream (DS1, DS2, DS3, DS4 and DS5 stations), Upstream (US1 and US2 stations) and Ma Wan (MW1 station) during Impact Monitoring for Dredging on 20 April 2010.

Impact Monitoring during Dredging for CMP V – 20 April 2010

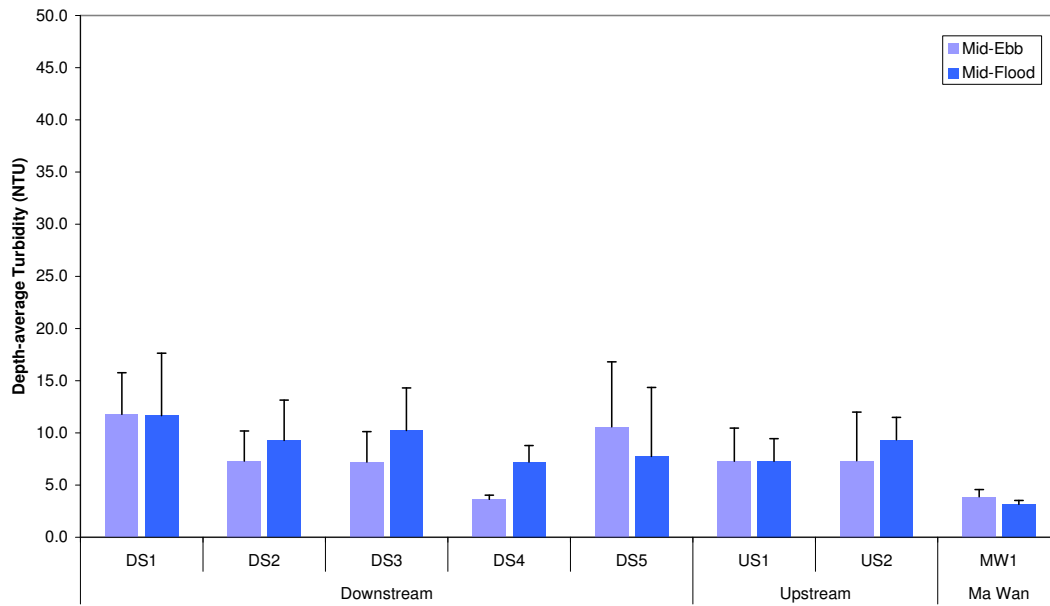


Figure 3: Depth-average Turbidity (mean \pm SD) at Downstream (DS1, DS2, DS3, DS4 and DS5 stations), Upstream (US1 and US2 stations) and Ma Wan (MW1 station) during Impact Monitoring for Dredging on 20 April 2010.

Impact Monitoring during Dredging for CMP V – 20 April 2010

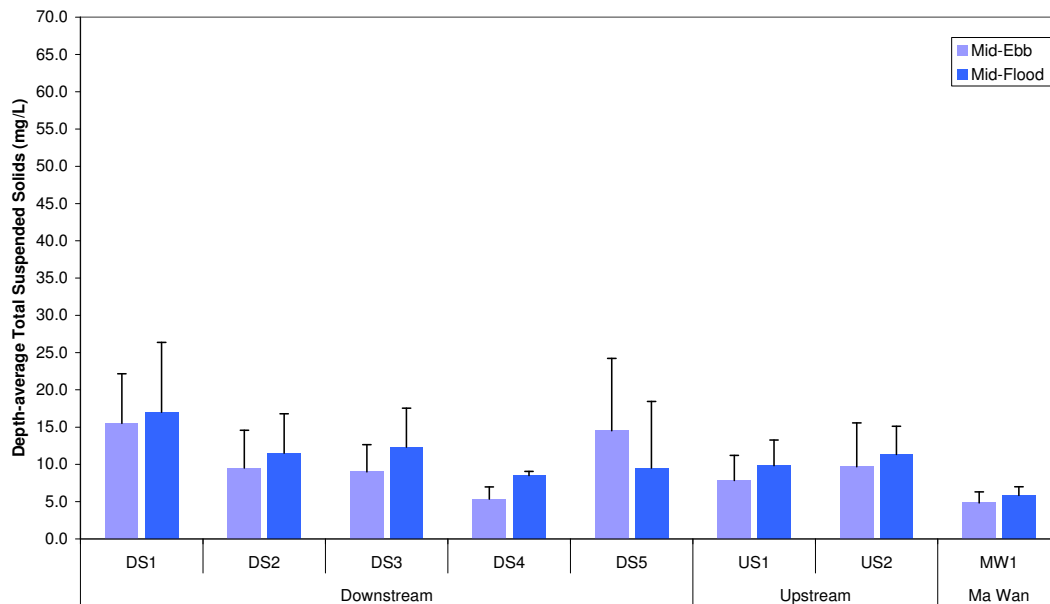


Figure 4: Depth-average Suspended Solids (mean \pm SD) at Downstream (DS1, DS2, DS3, DS4 and DS5 stations), Upstream (US1 and US2 stations) and Ma Wan (MW1 station) during Impact Monitoring for Dredging on 20 April 2010.

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Table B1: Impact Water Quality Monitoring for Dredging Activities during Mid-ebb Tide for 20 April 2010

Station	Downstream (Impact)		
Time (hh:mm)	16:06-16:48		
Monitoring Depth (m)	Depth Average	Surface and Middle	Bottom
D.O. (mg/L)	N/A	7.20	7.09
Turbidity (NTU)	8.10	N/A	N/A
SS (mg/L)	10.77	N/A	N/A
Remarks	Dredging works were observed.		

Station	Upstream (Reference)		
Time (hh:mm)	15:45-16:00		
Monitoring Depth (m)	Depth Average	Surface and Middle	Bottom
D.O. (mg/L)	N/A	7.29	6.74
Turbidity (NTU)	7.31	N/A	N/A
SS (mg/L)	8.75	N/A	N/A
Remarks	Dredging works were observed.		

Station	Ma Wan		
Time (hh:mm)	17:35-17:40		
Monitoring Depth (m)	Depth Average	Surface and Middle	Bottom
D.O. (mg/L)	N/A	6.51	6.45
Turbidity (NTU)	3.88	N/A	N/A
SS (mg/L)	4.83	N/A	N/A
Remarks			

Compliance with Action and Limit Levels

Parameter	Action Level		Limit Level		Mean Value at Impact Stations	Mean Value at Reference Stations	Compliance with Action level	Compliance with Limit Level
	Impact Stations	Comparison between I and R ^(a)	Mean Value at Impact Stations	Comparison between I and R ^(a)				
DO (Bottom)	< 2.96	R significantly greater than I (t-test, p < 0.05)	< 2.00	R significantly greater than I (t-test, p < 0.05)	7.09	6.74	Y	Y
DO (Surface and Mid Depth)	< 3.76	R significantly greater than I (t-test, p < 0.05)	< 3.11	R significantly greater than I (t-test, p < 0.05)	7.20	7.29	Y	Y
Turbidity (Depth-averaged)	> 28.14	I ≥ 1.2 R (8.77)	> 38.32	I ≥ 1.3 R (9.50)	8.10	7.31	Y	Y
SS (Depth-averaged)	> 37.88	I ≥ 1.2 R (10.50)	> 61.92	I ≥ 1.3 R (11.38)	10.77	8.75	Y	Y

Table B2: Impact Water Quality Monitoring for Dredging Activities during Mid-flood Tide for 20 April 2010

Station	Downstream (Impact)		
Time (hh:mm)	09:52 - 10:35		
Monitoring Depth (m)	Depth Average	Surface and Middle	Bottom
D.O. (mg/L)	N/A	6.60	6.54
Turbidity (NTU)	9.22	N/A	N/A
SS (mg/L)	11.77	N/A	N/A
Remarks	Dredging works were observed.		

Station	Upstream (Reference)		
Time (hh:mm)	10:40 - 10:53		
Monitoring Depth (m)	Depth Average	Surface and Middle	Bottom
D.O. (mg/L)	N/A	6.64	6.56
Turbidity (NTU)	8.31	N/A	N/A
SS (mg/L)	10.58	N/A	N/A
Remarks	Dredging works were observed.		

Station	Ma Wan		
Time (hh:mm)	08:22 - 08:27		
Monitoring Depth (m)	Depth Average	Surface and Middle	Bottom
D.O. (mg/L)	N/A	6.31	6.16
Turbidity (NTU)	3.15	N/A	N/A
SS (mg/L)	5.83	N/A	N/A
Remarks			

Compliance with Action and Limit Levels

Parameter	Action Level		Limit Level		Mean Value at Impact Stations	Mean Value at Reference Stations	Compliance with Action level	Compliance with Limit Level
	Mean Value at Impact Stations	Comparison between I and R ^(a)	Mean Value at Impact Stations	Comparison between I and R ^(a)				
DO (Bottom)	< 2.96	R significantly greater than I (t-test, p < 0.05)	< 2.00	R significantly greater than I (t-test, p < 0.05)	6.54	6.6	Y	Y
DO (Surface and Mid Depth)	< 3.76	R significantly greater than I (t-test, p < 0.05)	< 3.11	R significantly greater than I (t-test, p < 0.05)	6.60	6.64	Y	Y
Turbidity (Depth-averaged)	> 28.14	I ≥ 1.2 R (9.97)	> 38.32	I ≥ 1.3 R (10.80)	9.22	8.31	Y	Y
SS (Depth-averaged)	> 37.88	I ≥ 1.2 R (12.70)	> 61.92	I ≥ 1.3 R (13.76)	11.77	10.58	Y	Y

Note: (a) I = Impact; R = Reference Stations

Annex C

Study Programme

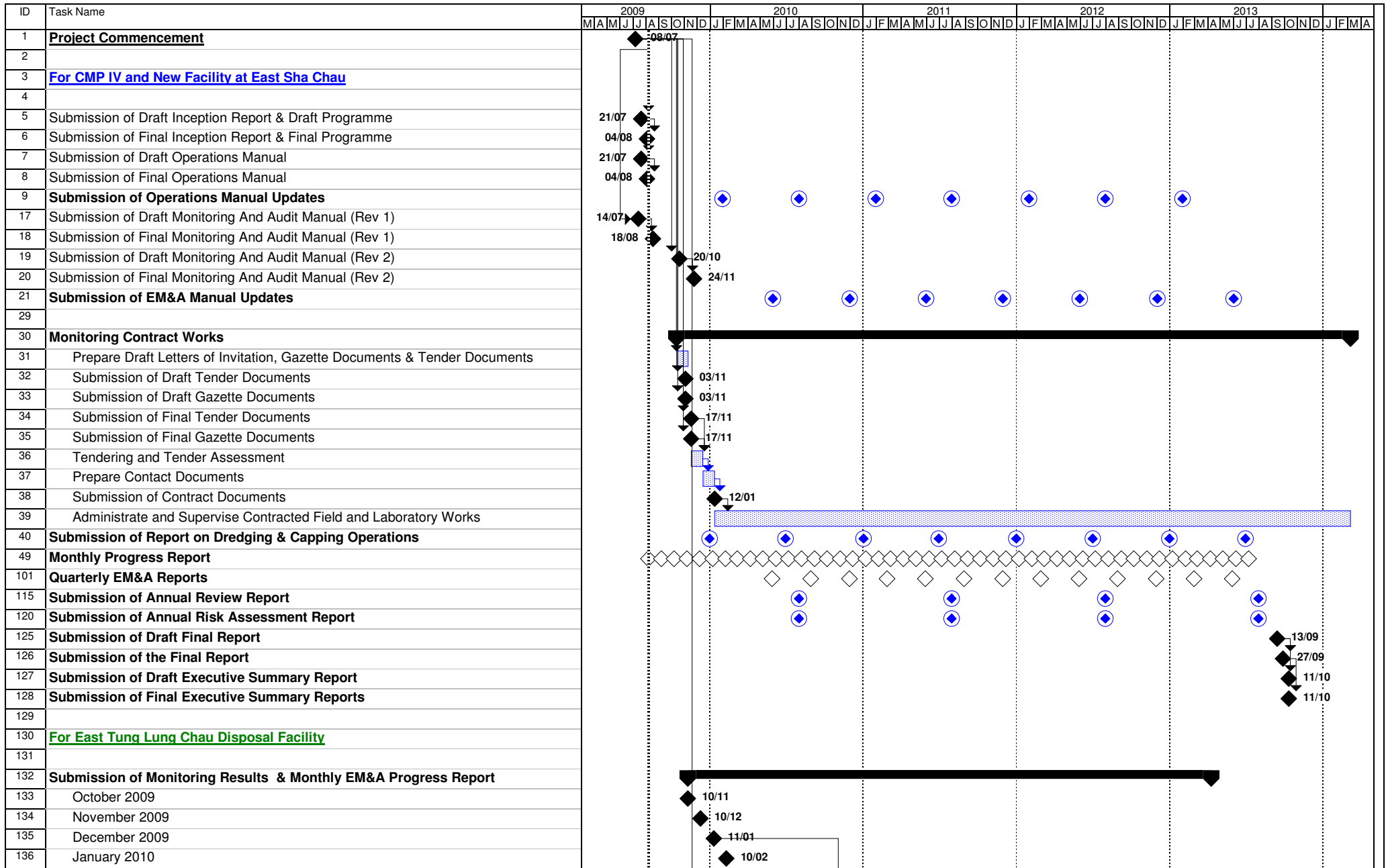


Figure 4.1 - Study Programme



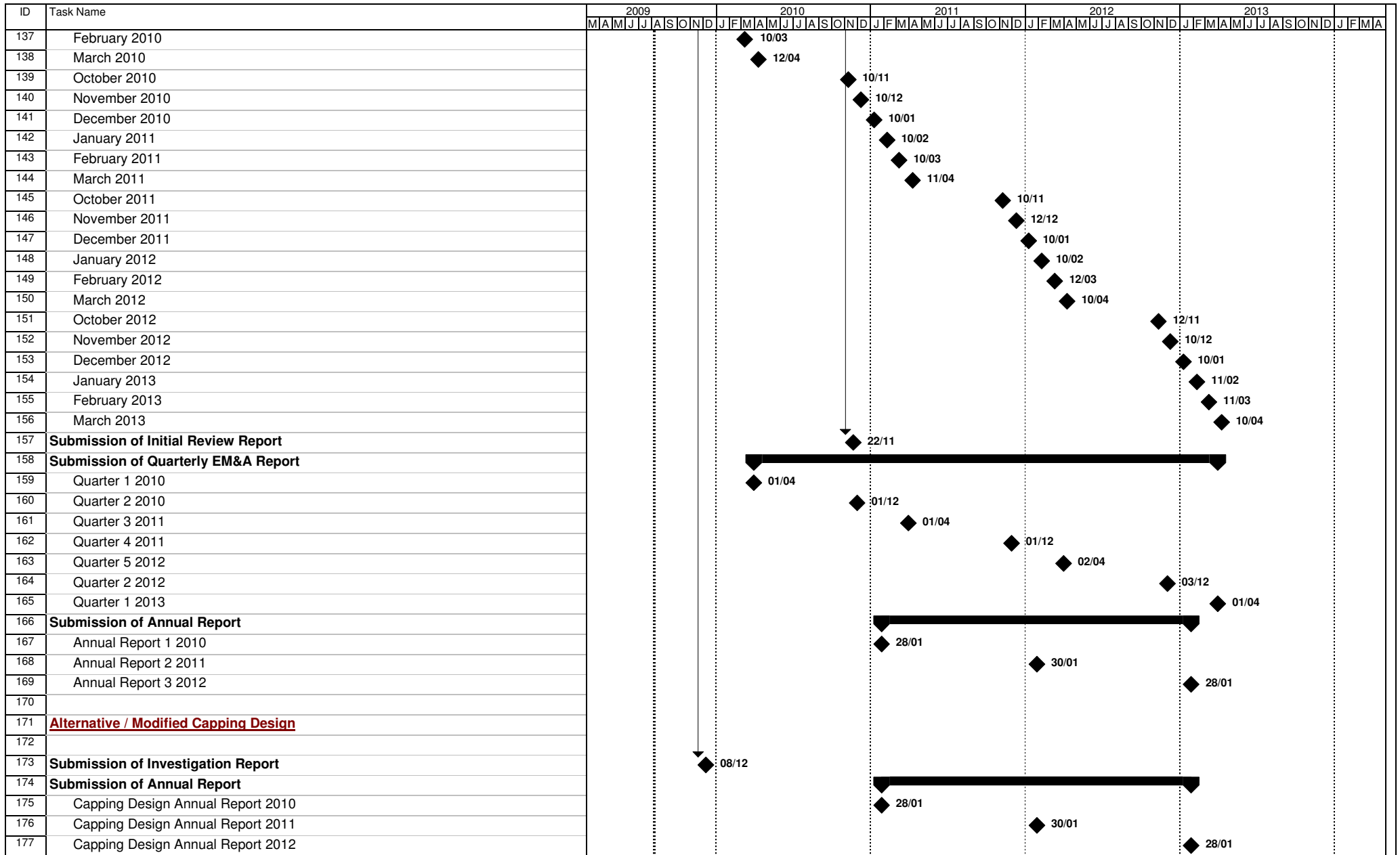


Figure 4.1 - Study Programme

