

Second update of the 2013 Helicopter Monitoring Program

Floatables:

The New York/New Jersey Harbor Complex was monitored for floatables four times from June 1 – June 7, 2013. Floatable flights were not conducted on June 3 and 7 due to poor weather. The Harbor was clear of significant floatables on June 1, 4, and 5.

On June 6, a floatable slick, approximately ½ miles long and one foot wide, was reported in the Newark Bay.

The floatable debris slick consisted of wood, plastic and paper, was reported to the Army Corps of Engineers, and cleanup was conducted as necessary.

Sampling:

Water quality samples were collected at 26 locations from Rockaway to Shinnecock Inlet, on June 5. Samples were given to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to conduct bacteriological analyses. These samples help fulfill NYSDEC's commitments to the National Shellfish Sanitation Program.