

**Statement on Hudson River Demobilization Plan  
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and NOAA  
Federal Hudson River Natural Resource Trustees**



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The Hudson River valley is a unique and nationally significant ecological, cultural and economic resource. Under Federal Superfund law, GE is responsible for both the remediation – cleanup – of the PCB contamination, and the restoration of injured natural resources through the Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration process. Now is the time for GE to thoroughly address their PCB contamination of the Hudson River.

Although the dredging has removed some of the contamination, it has not addressed nor compensated the public for injuries to natural resources. Trustees have determined that GE's PCBs have injured groundwater, fish, waterfowl, surface water, and navigational services of the Hudson River for decades, and these injuries will continue well into the future. On behalf of the American people, including all New Yorkers, the Trustees will continue to vigorously pursue measures to ensure GE meets its obligations and to recover damages to restore the natural resources of the Hudson River.