

Point Thomson Gas Cycling Project
Response to EIS Data Information Needs
Summer Dredging Schedule

ID 82: How long would the summer dredging period be if we just removed the material to our target elevation (at the location in front of the dock) for major module sealift (dredging to be completed the summer of major module sealift)?

The approximate time to complete the dredging activity would be approximately 30 days assuming that the dredged material can be disposed of at nearby location within the barrier islands. This time period would include time for set up and dredging at the site. In addition, up to 7 days of bathymetry and verification work may be required after completion of the initial dredging activity to verify that proper depths were achieved. Additional time would be required to complete the dredging if areas were found that did not meet the dredging depth criteria. These estimates include approximately 3 days of weather downtime.

The total estimate time for a summer dredging program is 40 days. For comparison the open water barging season is typically estimated as 45 days.

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