Pier Removal Reaches Halfway Point

As of May 11th, we are estimating that the project will be a little over 50% complete. Here are some brief updates on a few items:

- **Project Schedule** – Reed & Reed projects that the removal of the breasting platform will be completed by the end of May. This puts them right on schedule to complete the in-the-water work by the end of June. Once the breasting platform is removed they will move on to removing and cleaning up the remains of the north mooring dolphin. R&R estimates that only about 25% of the fill remains within the collapsed structure (see photo).

- **Breasting Pier Removal** – R&R is making good progress on the removal of the breasting platform – the main section of the pier. This structure consists of three interconnected cells. The southerly cell has been completely removed. The concrete cap on the other cells was removed and the corroded portion of the sheet piling cut off. They are now using two cranes to remove the fill from the remaining cells. They have the barges set up so that the material goes directly into trucks as it is brought ashore. Once the cells are empty, the sheet piling will be removed.
• **Safety** – The pace of activity at Mitchell Field has increased over the past couple of weeks so safety remains a primary concern. The number of trucks hauling material from Mitchell Field has increased so please be attentive when you are on the access road and do not park on the pavement. If you bring your dog(s) to Mitchell Field please keep it/them on a leash when you are on the access road. Everyone must stay out of the fenced area. There are more vehicles moving around within the work area especially at the head of causeway at the waterfront. And with nicer weather finally arriving, please stay away from the work area if you go down on the beach.

• **Bandstand Concerts** – The concerts at the bandstand will go on as normal this summer – see the schedule on the Town’s website. The contractors are required to shut down early on Thursdays and they do not work on Sundays. Parking will need to be adjusted this summer so alternative parking will be provided. Look for directional signs when you arrive to get to the new parking area in the lower field.