

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION**  
**Division of Spill Prevention and Response**  
**Prevention and Emergency Response Program**

**SITUATION REPORT**

**INCIDENT NAME:** F/V Mar-Gun Grounding St. George Island

**SITREP #:** 16

**SPILL NUMBER:** 09259906401

**LEDGER CODE:** 14251760

**TIME/DATE OF SPILL:** The US Coast Guard (USCG) Sector Anchorage notified ADEC at 6:15 AM on March 5, 2009 that the F/V Mar-Gun, a 112-foot trawl vessel had run aground with five (5) people on board and was taking on water.

**TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT:** 12:00 PM on Monday, April 6, 2009

**TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT:** 12:00 PM on Thursday, April 9, 2009

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** An unknown amount of diesel fuel has been released. 18,371 gallons of fluids have been removed from the vessel.

**LOCATION:** North shoreline of St. George Island, at approximately Latitude 56° 36' N, Longitude 169° 36' W. St. George Island is one of the Pribilof Islands located in the Bering Sea approximately 250 miles northwest of Unalaska.

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** The cause of the grounding is being investigated by the USCG.

**POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP):** Margun Enterprises, LLC.

**RESPONSE ACTION:** Salvors conducted vessel, helicopter and fabrications operations during the past weekend.

On board the vessel, crews cleaned and dewatered the engine room and the #1 fish hold; continued shoring up leaks and installing patches; began structural welding and installation of under-deck reinforcements and chipped away ice on deck to make room for fabricated parts and other equipment required for vessel recovery.

Three fishing nets are being consolidated on the vessel for removal to make more room for recovery operations.

During helicopter operations the salvors transferred fabricated parts to the vessel and returned two empty drums to the vessel for collection of oily pads from daily engine room clean-up. Incineration operations are continuing as weather permits.

Fabrication continued in the harbor on fixtures for reinforcement of structural members for the Mar-Gun.

The M/V Makushin Bay, which had departed for Dutch Harbor to retrieve heavy offshore anchors, suffered a critical engine failure and has been removed from service for this project. The M/V Redeemer, which is scheduled to be released from the shipyard in Dutch Harbor on Tuesday, April 7, will be mobilized as a replacement vessel and will load the offshore anchors in Dutch Harbor and proceed to St. George Island as soon as possible.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** There have been no reports of impacted wildlife at this time.

A replacement transformer for the city transformer which failed in a recent storm has arrived and been installed.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** Continue operations on board vessel and in temporary fabrication locations to prepare for vessel recovery.

Plans have been developed and approved for utilizing a loader to pull the two heavier nets across the shoreline and up to a road where they can be loaded into a dump truck and transferred to the harbor. The lighter net will be removed in a helicopter operation.

**WEATHER:** Cloudy with scattered rain and snow showers and dense fog reducing visibility to one quarter mile or less, highs in the mid 30s, with south winds 5 to 20 mph becoming west 10 to 25 mph in the afternoon.

**UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: Kristina O'Connor (PRP)  
 F.O.S.C. : CDR Joseph LoSciuto (USCG)  
 S.O.S.C. : Gary Folley (ADEC)  
 L.O.S.C : Sally Mercurief (St. George Traditional Council)

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Gary Folley, ADEC, 262-5210 ext 234  
 Weld Royal, ADEC Public Information Officer, 465-5009/321-5491

A Unified Command Web site has been established at  
<http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/perp/mar-gun>

**AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST**

This sitrep has been distributed via email to the Governor's office, Senator Begich's office, ADF&G, ADNR, SECC, USEPA, USDOJ, NMFS, USFWS, and USFS in addition to the following.

<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>Sent Via</b>		<b>Telephone</b>	<b>Facsimile</b>
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St. George Traditional Council	Maxim Malavansky Jr	Fax		859-2447	859-2251
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