

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: Pile Bay Road Tanker Trailer Spill

SITREP #: 14

SPILL NUMBER: 09269915701

LEDGER CODE: 14274760

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: Alaska State Troopers notified ADEC at 7:30 PM on June 6, 2009

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 2:00 PM on August 5, 2009

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 2:00 PM on August 12, 2009

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: The Potential Responsible Party (PRP) reported to the Alaska State Troopers that the tank trailer contained an estimated 9,500 gallons of diesel fuel before the incident. ADEC staff on scene reviewed the loading records for the tanker trailer and the emergency off-loading and estimated the spill to be approximately 1,400 gallons.

LOCATION: Pile Bay Road, Lake Iliamna. Pile Bay Road is located approximately 170 miles to the southwest of Anchorage, on the northeast end of Lake Iliamna. The exact spill location is 59° 45.474'N / 153° 50.734'W.

CAUSE OF SPILL: Upon further investigation it was determined that the 9,500-gallon tractor trailer fuel tank was unhitched from the towing vehicle at approximately 2:00 PM on June 6, 2009. At about 7:00 PM the fuel trailer was found on the ground with the landing gear collapsed. During the collapse, the landing gear punctured the front holding tank of the trailer, creating a hairline crack along a weld and a hole about the size of a quarter in the tank.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Iliamna Development Corporation (IDC), Iliamna AK

RESPONSE ACTION: ADEC and Bristol Environmental staff is on scene at Pile Bay waiting for the equipment to arrive from Iliamna to start the clearing of the leased property for the soil remediation site. High winds up to 50 mph have happened marine vessel transportation on Lake Iliamna. Current weather on the lake is favorable and the equipment is expected to arrive today.

IDC responders worked on all three of the stockpile berms fixing minor erosion from past rain and flooding events. IDC responders also switched out the protective water boom with 24 in fast water boom in attempt to better capture and contain the fuel sheen at the river's edge.

On August 4, 2009 ADEC completed a second review and approved the Waste Management Plan Revision 1, submitted by Bristol Bay Environment on behalf of IDC.

IDC personnel continue to monitor the sheen at the river's edge. Absorbent pads and sausage boom placed there to collect the sheen are being replaced when they become saturated with fuel. Levels of sheen observed at the river's edge continue to fluctuate with weather conditions and changing levels of the river.

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

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: ADEC will remain on site to oversee the preparation of the soil remediation site and relocation of the three stockpiles. ADEC will also be on site during the monitoring well installation and backfilling of the spill excavation area. Once the backfilling of the exaction is completed, IDC will chase any remaining contamination along the new road bed.

ADEC and IDC will continue to monitor the sheen, and maintain the boom and sorbent materials at the river's edge.

WEATHER: Today, cloudy with rain showers, variable winds 10 mph. Highs, 50 to 60, lows 40 to lower 50s. Thursday through Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain on Thursday, variable winds to 15 mph, highs 40s to possible mid 50s and lower 60s.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Bill Miller, General Manager (IDC)
 F.O.S.C. : Matt Carr (EPA)
 S.O.S.C. : Gary Folley (ADEC)

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: John Brown, ADEC, 269-7688

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Sand bags place along the stockpile berm to help minimize erosion.
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