

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: F/V Nordic Viking Grounding

SITREP #: 4

SPILL NUMBER: 07229920201

LEDGER CODE: 14240160

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: At approximately 10:35 P.M. on July 21, 2007, the F/V Nordic Viking ran aground at Port Gravina near Olsen Bay, Prince William Sound. The vessel operator reported to the Coast Guard that at least one fuel tank holding an estimated 3,500 gallons of diesel had been breached and was releasing fuel into the water.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 1:00 P.M. on July 27, 2007

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 1:00 P.M. on July 30, 2007

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: The Coast Guard and local responder on scene have confirmed, through sounding and the removal of all the fuel off the vessel, that the day tank released 3,500 gallons of diesel fuel into the water after the grounding.

LOCATION: Near Olsen Bay in Port Gravina, Prince William Sound, Alaska at a location of 40° 42' Latitude 146° 11' Longitude, approximately 55 miles SW of Valdez.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The cause of the grounding is under investigation by the Coast Guard.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Bill Prout, Northern Seiners Inc.

RESPONSE ACTION: Response contractors completed work on the vessel's hull by making repairs inside and having divers patch small weeps below the water line. Response crews continued to maintain containment boom around the vessel and used sorbent materials to recover any oils that were being released from the vessel.

An overflight was completed of the spill area the afternoon of July 26, 2006. Response vessels on scene were directed to small patches of fuel along the shoreline but were unsuccessful in recovering any measurable amounts of fuel.

One Shoreline Cleanup Assessment Team (SCAT) consisting of two ADEC, one Coast Guard, one U.S Forest Service, and a PRP contractor are on scene, and will be recommend to the Unified Command, any shoreline cleanup needed for the impacted shoreline.

Upon recommendations from the SCAT team, on-shore workers have removed 18 trash bags of heavily oiled eel grass in the vicinity of a small stream on the eastern shoreline at the entrance of St. Matthews Bay. Sorbent sweep has also been place at the head of the small stream to reduce oiling in the backshore area.

SOURCE CONTROL: All the fuel has been removed from the F/V Nordic Viking. Response crews continue to maintain containment boom around the vessel and are using sorbents to recover oils that are being released from the vessel. Temporary repairs have been made to the vessel's hull to keep water from leaking into the vessel.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: Marine waters of Port Gravina and Olsen Bay. There have been no reports of injured wildlife. All wildlife observations are being reported back to the command center in Valdez. Sensitive resources in the Port Gravina area include anadromous streams, marine mammals and sea birds.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: The Shoreline Cleanup Assessment Team (SCAT) will continue to examine impacted beaches. In the event that fuel contamination is on the shoreline, an assessment will be done to determine if a cleanup is needed.

The Tug Redoubt is expected to arrive at 12:30 P.M. today and make preparations for towing the Nordic Viking to Seward, AK. This action will happen only upon the approval of the Coast Guard after submittal and review of the final draft of the transit plan.

The Department of Fish and Game will be announcing the reopening of the commercial fishery in the Port Gravina area which is expected to start tomorrow morning.

WEATHER: Today: Cloudy with scattered showers becoming isolated by late afternoon. Northwest winds to 10 knots, becoming Southwest this afternoon, seas 3 ft. Winds are expected to stay below 15 knots and seas below 3 ft through Monday.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Doug Larson, Hudson Marine
 F.O.F.C.: LCDR Matt Jones, USCG
 S.O.S.C.: John L. Brown, ADEC
 Field S.O.S.C.: John Engles, ADEC

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AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST

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Nordic Viking Spill Overflight Ruff-n-ready, Nordic Viking, Alaska Challenger, and a mini-barge all rafted up.



N 60° 43.292' W 146° 12.768'

582 ft

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Photograph provided by John Engles, ADEC