



ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
Division of Spill Prevention and Response
Prevention Preparedness and Response Program
SITUATION REPORT (SITREP)

APL Yard Diesel Release Kodiak

SITREP #: 1

SPILL #: 19239907501

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 2:00 p.m. March 17, 2019

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): American President Lines LTD (APL)

INCIDENT LOCATION: APL yard, east of the intersection of Anton Larsen Bay Road and Old Tom Stiles Road, Kodiak

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: Overnight on March 15-16, 2019

HOW/WHEN SPILL WAS DISCOVERED AND REPORTED: The spill was reportedly discovered at 9:00 a.m. on March 16th. Environmental Contracting Solutions, Inc. (ECS), a consultant for APL notified the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) at 12:00 p.m. ADEC personnel notified the United States Coast Guard (USCG) Marine Safety Detachment (MSD) Kodiak and the National Response Center at 12:20 pm.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: A fuel line of a refrigeration unit on the APL yard leaked overnight. The fuel was diesel and the quantity that reportedly leaked was 1,369 gallons. Rainfall caused the fuel to enter runoff in a drainage ditch adjacent to the yard. Water and fuel flowed in the drainage ditch, into culverts that entered the Buskin River, and finally into St. Paul Harbor.

CAUSE OF SPILL: Under investigation.

SOURCE CONTROL: The entire contents of the fuel storage was reportedly empty when the release was discovered.

RESPONSE ACTION: APL contracted ECS to respond to the spill. APL and ECS personnel used check dams, trenching, and absorbent materials in the drainage ditch to prevent more fuel from entering the culverts and river. APL and ECS personnel also placed boom at the inlets and outlets of the culvert. After receiving the report MSD Kodiak personnel and the USCG fire department immediately arrived on scene of the incident to assist in the response activities. ECS initiated an aerial survey of the river, estuary, and harbor. United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) personnel began conducting wildlife surveys.

APL contracted Alaska Chadux Corporation (Chadux) in the afternoon of March 16th to respond to the spill. Chadux arrived in Kodiak in the evening on March 16th. ADEC personnel arrived in Kodiak in the morning on March 17th.



RESOURCES AT RISK OR AFFECTED: The Buskin River is the main subsistence and sportfishing river in Kodiak. The Buskin River State Recreation Area is used by Kodiak residents. Recreational and subsistence fishing takes place in the river and St. Paul Harbor.

Boat harbors approximately a mile from the outlet of the Buskin are home to recreational and commercial vessels.

Buskin River and wetlands complex are known to support chum, coho, pink, and sockeye salmon, Dolly Varden, and steelhead trout spawning and rearing habitat. Pacific razor clam beds are located in nearshore waters by the mouth of the Buskin River and may be harvested by subsistence users.

The impacted area provides wintering habitat for waterfowl, including Steller's eider, emperor goose, and yellow-billed loon. A number of other species, such as the black oystercatcher, marbled murrelet, peregrine falcon and bald eagle are present year round.

Multiple species listed under the Endangered Species Act are likely present in the area including Northern sea otters, Steller sea lion, and humpback whales. Other marine mammals that may be present are sperm whales, killer whales, harbor seals, harbor porpoise, Dall's porpoise and Minke whales.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: ECS and Chadux are assessing impacts to the river and marine environments. ECS and Chadux, on behalf of APL, are coordinating operations with federal and state agencies to ensure that response strategies are protective of important resources.

WEATHER: Currently light rain mid 40's, wind 18 MPH. Forecast through tomorrow calls for rain and snow mid 30's to low 40's, wind 7 MPH. High tides today at 11:26 a.m. Low tides today at 6:25 p.m. High tides for March 18th at 1:00 a.m. and 12:31 p.m. Low tides for March 18th at 6:22 a.m. and 7:15 p.m.

UNIFIED COMMAND:

Incident Commander: American President Lines LTD.

State On-Scene Coordinator: ADEC

Federal On-Scene Coordinator: USCG

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT DISTRIBUTION: As situation warrants

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**PHOTOGRAPH FROM APL- AERIAL SURVEY OF BUSKIN RIVER AT ENTRANCE TO ST. PAUL HARBOR
MARCH 16, 2019**

AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST: This situation report was distributed to the agencies listed on the standard distribution list, which includes the governor's office, State Emergency Operations Center, U.S. Department of the Interior, National Marine Fisheries Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and other state agencies. This situation report was also distributed to the following agencies and stakeholders:

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