

# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION Division of Spill Prevention and Response

Kiana

Prevention, Preparedness and Response Program

## SITUATION REPORT

### **Kiana Water Treatment Plant Diesel Release**

SITREP #: 1

SPILL #: 15389933501

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 11:15 AM, December 3, 2015

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): City of Kiana

INCIDENT LOCATION: The spill occurred at a fuel supply tank for the water treatment plant located in Kiana,

Alaska.

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: December 1, 2015

**HOW/WHEN SPILL WAS DISCOVERED:** At approximately 7:00 PM on December 1, 2015 it was discovered that the fuel supply tank was overflowing with diesel fuel.

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** The City of Kiana is estimating approximately 2,000 gallons of diesel has spilled onto the ground at the supply tank.

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** The cause of the spill is currently under investigation.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** At this time source control has been established. The fuel transfer was stopped and the tank is no longer spilling diesel.

**RESPONSE ACTION:** Water plant operators and city staff responded after the spill was discovered. The road that runs along the water treatment plant has been blocked off and a dike has been constructed to prevent the fuel from flowing downhill. Recovery of standing free product is currently taking place with spilled fuel being pumped, containerized and drummed before final disposal.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** There are two wells for the city of Kiana that are located approximately 800 feet indirectly downhill from the spill.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** ADEC is mobilizing a responder to Kiana to oversee response actions and assist with cleanup. ADEC will be recommending delineation of the extent of the spill and requesting work and sampling plans to address removal of remaining contamination in the spring.

**WEATHER:** Today: Cloudy, high -12°F, low -17°F, NNE winds 10-15 mph. Tomorrow: Mostly sunny, high -19°F, low -23°F, NNE winds 10-15 mph.

#### **UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: Dan Douglas, Mayor of Kiana

SOSC: Tom DeRuyter, ADEC FOSC: Bob Whittier, EPA Field SOSC: Wes Ghormley, ADEC

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

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Figure 1. Aerial view of the location of the spill and wells downhill from the incident in Kiana, AK. [Image: ANTHC/Google Earth]

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