

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: FV Valiant Maid

SITREP #: 2

SPILL NUMBER: 03229923001

LEDGER CODE: 14113560

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: 4:00 p.m., August 18, 2003

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 10:30 a.m., August 20, 2003

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 12:00 p.m., August 21, 2003

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Unknown volume of diesel fuel. The vessel owner reported a total of 700 gallons of diesel was on board the vessel at the time of the sinking. Based upon reports from the divers and the positioning of the vessel, it is believed that the starboard tank fuel was released. The volume in this tank has been estimated to be 250 gallons.

LOCATION: Spike Island, Cordova, Latitude 60.32.957N, Longitude 145.46.438 W

CAUSE OF SPILL: The 42 gross ton wooden vessel hit a rock, split apart and sank in 45' of water off Spike Island.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Edward Builderback, vessel owner.

RESPONSE ACTION: Divers were successful in sealing the fuel vents. On-water observations reported only light residual sheening apparently released from the engine spaces.

Responders from the Native Village of Eyak continue to respond to the incident to recover residual oiling released from the vessel. Containment boom, 1500 feet, and sorbent sweep, 1000 feet, are being maintained at the sunken vessel location to capture these residual sheens.

ADEC staff remain in Cordova and Valdez to provide support and oversight of the response.

SOURCE CONTROL: The local diver from the FV Neptune plugged the fuel vents last night. Plans are being developed to access and remove fuel in the vessel's port tank.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: Marine waters and the rock shores of Spike Island. Sea otters, diving ducks, eagles, and sea gulls have been observed in the vicinity of the spill. The Native Village of Eyak qualified individual that is on scene noted that wildlife impacts are not readily apparent – i.e., wildlife in the area has not been observed preening excessively. ADF&G and ADNR have been advised of the incident.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Continue to maintain boom and source control. ADEC staff will continue to work with the U.S. Coast Guard to respond to the incident. This morning's plans are to roll the vessel from its port side to starboard to access the port fuel tank. At slack water (1:00p.m.), salvors will attach a flange to the port tank to pump off the remaining estimated 400 to 450 gallons of fuel.

WEATHER: Rain, overcast, 52 degrees F.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Commander Mark Swanson, US. Coast Guard
 F.O.S.C. : Commander Mark Swanson, US. Coast Guard
 S.O.S.C. : Gary Folley, ADEC
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