

*Oiled Debris Burns
During the MV
Selendang Spill Cleanup*



Oiled Debris Burns

- Performed under an Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation Open Burn Permit granted May 4th, 2005.
- Open Burn procedures include:
 - Pre-burn notifications include City of Unalaska (Public Safety), FAA (Cold Bay), Land owners adjacent to the burn site, USCG, ADNR, ADEC field OPS.

Open Burn Procedures

- Firebreak 15 feet wide around the burn pile
- Pump setup with hose for water, or bucket brigade with 5 gal. container, and hand tools (shovels, rakes, fire extinguisher) at burn site
- Burning to occur in winds under 25 mph
- No burns within 25 feet of structures and archeological sites

Open Burn Procedures

- No burning of polyurethane or oil-based products in a way that gives off toxic, gases or particulate matter that will affect near by persons
- One person at the burn at all times
- Fire to be completely extinguished before leaving

Oiled Driftwood



Debris gathered into the burn pile



Fire control in place, the burn is initiated



The burn well under way



The burn near completion



Scarce Driftwood is a Resource



Driftwood is used for smoking fish by the people of the Aleutians.

Because driftwood is generally scarce in the treeless Aleutian Islands, crews will burn only oiled driftwood and leave clean sections on the beaches.



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