

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: F/V Johnny A Sinking

SITREP #: 1

SPILL NUMBER: 05119920601

LEDGER CODE: Not currently assigned

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: The vessel sank at approximately 5:00 AM on July 25, 2005. The U.S. Coast Guard reported the vessel sinking to ADEC at 8:10 this morning.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 3:00 PM, July 25, 2005

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

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Diesel fuel. The total amount of product spilled is unknown, although a light sheen was reported to have been observed around the vessel. Approximately 5000 gallons of diesel was on board the vessel at the time that it sank.

LOCATION: Whitestone Harbor, located approximately 13 miles east of Hoonah on Chichagof Island; 30 miles southwest of Juneau.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The 58' fishing seiner hit a rock on the way into the harbor and sank. A U.S. Coast Guard casualty investigation has been initiated and is ongoing.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): John Hinchman, vessel owner. Robert James Day, Jr., vessel operator.

RESPONSE ACTION: The crew of the F/V Johnny A was safely rescued this morning with no injuries reported. They were transported to Auke Bay this morning by a USCG small boat where PERP staff interviewed.

The vessel's manager is mobilizing a diver from Hoonah to seal the fuel vents and contracted Southeast Alaska Lighterage (SEAL), to provide pollution response. SEAL is underway to the scene to deploy boom around the vessel and begin lightering operations. The initiation of the lightering operations should begin tonight or tomorrow morning.

SOURCE CONTROL: Fuel vents will be secured by a contract diver.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: There have been no reports of oiled wildlife. Resources in the area include: commercial and sport fisheries in Whitestone Harbor and Chatham Strait; several species of shorebirds also inhabit nearby tide flats and marshes.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Lightering operations to remove fuel from the boat will be initiated to mitigate additional discharge until the vessel can be re-floated. Both ADEC and USCG maintain response equipment caches in Hoonah that are available for use. USCG and ADEC will continue to monitor the situation.

WEATHER: Cloudy, rain likely. Temperature 58° F, East winds 4 knots.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander:	Jay Kaino, RP
F.O.S.C.:	Cdr. John Sifling, USCG
S.O.S.C.:	Bob Mattson, ADEC
Field S.O.S.C.:	Lester Leatherberry, ADEC

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Bob Mattson, SOSC. (907) 465-5349.

AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST

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