

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: F/V Wild Horses

SITREP #: 1

SPILL NUMBER: 06239901501

LEDGER CODE: N/A

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: January 15, 2006 time unknown. The US Coast Guard reported the spill to ADEC at 11:22 a.m., January 15, 2006.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 1:30 p.m., January 17, 2006.

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

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: The volume of the product spilled is estimated by the ADEC responder to be 10 gallons of diesel. It is unknown at this time of how much fuel was on board the vessel.

LOCATION: The vessel sank at the Whittier Ocean Dock.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The F/V Wild Horses sank while it was tied to the pilings. Harbor staff checked on the vessel on Saturday at 4:00 p.m. the boat was afloat and lines secured. The cause of the sinking is unknown at this time.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): James Corbin owner of F/V Wild Horses

RESPONSE ACTION: The Whittier harbormaster accessed the ADEC response container in Whittier and deployed containment boom around the vessel. An ADEC responder on site on Sunday observed light rainbow sheen inside the containment boom and a dull gray sheen on the outside of the containment boom. The PRP is tending to the containment boom and oil sorbent materials every two hours. The U.S Coast Guard held a conference with the PRP, Harbor Master and City Manager in preparing a salvage plan. The PRP has proposed to use a crane lift, float bags, and dewatering to re-float the vessel. The U.S Coast Guard still has not received a written salvage plan from the PRP.

The U.S Coast Guard has been in contact with the Alaska State Ferry Services to verify the sunken vessel is not a hazard to navigation.

SOURCE CONTROL: None at this time, fuel vents will be plugged by the diving team, prior to moving the vessel.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: Marine waters of the Whittier Ocean Dock. There have been no reports of oiled wildlife.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: The PRP should have a finalized written salvage plan ready for review by the U.S. Coast Guard, ADEC, and the city of Whittier, today or tomorrow. ADEC will be on site during the recovery of the vessel. ADEC will also require a decontamination plan for the containment boom used.

WEATHER: Periods of rain and snow, partly cloudy and windy, 27 degrees, winds East at 10 to 15 mph.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander:	James Corbin
F.O.S.C.	MST1 Mike Mitchell
S.O.S.C.	Gary Folley
Field S.O.S.C.	

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Henderson, ADEC (907) 269-7532.

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F/V Wild Horses looking down on the wheel house