

MV COUGAR ACE

SALVAGE REPORT # 03

28 JULY 19:00 HS

A – Situation and Today's Actions:

1. MV COUGAR ACE stable with no noticeable changes @ Lat 48° 07'N 173° 14'W. Drifting 100° at 1.3kts. USCGC RUSH on site. USCGC MORGENTHAU en route to rendezvous and relieve USCGC RUSH.
2. UB MAKUSHIN BAY loaded with survey and selected fast response salvage kit departed Dutch Harbor at 16:00 LT with Salvage Master, Salvager Engineer, Naval Architect, Salvage Foreman/Dive Supervisor, Topside Salvor, Owner's Rep and vessel's crew destination MV Cougar Ace.
3. TG EMMA FOSS departed Adak at 15:00 LT with ETA 29/7 PM to assist on casualty towing as needed.
4. Additional salvors and salvage equipment en route to Seattle /Anchorage / Dutch Harbor ETA's within 28-31 Jul.
5. Titan ICS Representative arrive Anchorage and attended meetings with Unified Command, O'Brien's SMT and owners representatives.

B - Weather (Source NOAA / Wilkens):

EASTERN ALEUTIANS CAPE SARICHEF TO NIKOLSKI
400 PM ADT FRI JUL 28 2006

SMALL CRAFT ADVISORY THROUGH SATURDAY NIGHT...
TONIGHT...W WIND 20 KT. SEAS 8 FT. PATCHY FOG.
SAT...SW WIND 25 KT. SEAS 8 FT. PATCHY FOG.
SAT NIGHT...W WIND 25 KT. SEAS 8 FT. PATCHY FOG.
SUN...W WIND 25 KT. SEAS 9 FT.
SUN NIGHT...NW WIND 20 KT. SEAS 7 FT.
MON AND TUE...W WIND 25 KT. SEAS 8 FT.
WED...NW WIND 15 KT. SEAS 6 FT.

Jul 29 00:01 UTC - 09:00 LT : A ridge of high pressure centered near 44N 165W will influence the region over the next 3 days as a couple of minor troughs pass to the north. Moderate to fresh SW'ly winds are expected to decrease to favorable levels as high pressure builds towards the site late in the period.

C - Intentions :

1. Salvage Master and assessment team to arrive at the casualty site and evaluate situation and boarding options.

2. Gather incoming salvage equipment and personnel in Dutch Harbor and load onboard UB REDEEMA / TG SEA VICTORY. Procurement of specific items locally.
3. 0730 conference call to discuss Emma Foss actions to place line on the Cougar Ace
4. 0900 Salvage and technical meeting
5. 1400 Unified Command briefing with updated trajectory of the Cougar Ace movement

D - Salvage Crew :

1. UB MAKUSHAN BAY : Salvage Master, Salvage Engineer, Naval Architect, Salvage Foreman/Dive Supervisor, Topside Salvor, Owner's Rep
2. DUTCH HARBOR : Logistics Coordinator
3. ANCHORAGE / USCG ICS : Titan Representative
4. IN TRANSIT TO DUTCH HARBOR : 1 Diver Medic (DMT), 1 Safety Officer / DMT, 1 Diver/Salvor

E - Summary Vessels Engaged & Status:

1. TG SEA VICTORY - En route Dutch Harbor for refuel ETA 2100 31st
2. UB MAKUSHAN BAY - Departed Dutch Harbor 28 Jul 16:00 LT - En route to casualty ETA 30th July
3. TG EMMA FOSS - Departed Adak 28 JUL 15:00 LT - ETA Cougar Ace 1200 Sat 29 July
4. UB REDEEMA - Dutch Harbor - Stand By for additional salvage equipment & personnel in transit

F - Areas of Concern : Site Safety Plan to cover:

1. CO2 in steering gear room and CO2 storage compartment
2. Gasoline vapors in cargo area from automobile gas tanks
3. Helicopter personnel deployment procedures
4. PPE for cold water operations
5. Use of intrinsically safe communications equipment

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