

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: Pile Bay Road Tanker Trailer Spill

SITREP #: 3

SPILL NUMBER: 09269915701

LEDGER CODE: 14274760

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: Alaska State Troopers notified ADEC at 7:30 PM on June 6, 2009

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 2:00 PM on June 11, 2009

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 2:00 PM on June 12, 2009

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: The Potential Responsible Party (PRP) reported to the Alaska State Troopers that the tank trailer contained an estimated 9,500 gallons of diesel fuel before the incident. ADEC staff on scene reviewed the loading records for the tanker trailer and the emergency off loading and estimated the spill to be approximately 1,200 to 1,500 gallons.

LOCATION: Pile Bay Road, Lake Iliamna. Pile Bay Road is located approximately 170 miles to the southwest of Anchorage on the northeast end of Lake Iliamna. The exact spill location is 59° 45.474'N / 153° 50.734'W.

CAUSE OF SPILL: Upon further investigation it was determined that the 9,500-gallon tractor trailer fuel tank was unhitched from the towing vehicle at approximately 2:00 PM on June 6, 2009. At about 7:00 PM the fuel trailer was found on the ground with the landing gear collapsed. During the collapse the landing gear punctured the front holding tank of the trailer creating a hairline crack along a weld and a hole about the size of a quarter in the tank.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Iliamna Development Corporation, (IDC) Iliamna AK

RESPONSE ACTION: On June 10, 2009 Bristol Environmental staff arrived on scene to assist with the further delineation of the spill impacted areas. Assessment work and contamination removal on the leading edge, (spill area closest to the river) continued through the day. The cleanup on the area leading edge has encountered numerous large boulders and what appears to be a bedrock bench. A plan to address these issues is under development.

Response personnel continue to monitor the sheen at the water's edge; the sheen continues to be light in nature. In addition, response personnel shortened the containment boom length to help minimize shoreline impacts on the downstream side at the water's edge. Absorbent sausage boom and pads are being replaced if they become water logged or saturated with fuel. Currently only light staining has been observed on the absorbent materials and no sheen has been observed outside of the containment boom.

Response crews pumped 200 gallons of diesel fuel from one of the two tankers which had a small leak (drip) earlier in the week. The second tanker will have 200 gallons removed today.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: There have been no reports of impacted wildlife at this time.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Responders will continue to pursue and identify spill contamination in the spill area and complete analytical sampling upon completion of the cleanup. A plan is under development to address the large boulders and bedrock exposed during contaminated soil removal. In addition, plans are under development to remove the tanker trailers from the spill site. A waste management plan has been requested to outline procedures for the removal, handling and disposal of the excavated contaminated soil and oily solid waste generated during the cleanup. ADEC response staff on scene will continue to monitor cleanup.

WEATHER: Mostly cloudy with patchy fog in the morning, winds variable 10 mph; temperature in the lower 60's, with a chance of rain Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Bill Miller, General Manager, IDC
 F.O.S.C. : Matt Carr, (EPA)
 S.O.S.C. : Gary Folley (ADEC)

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: John Brown, ADEC, 269-7688

AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST

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Area along the Iliamna River where sheening has been observed. Photo by Greg Lippmann, ADEC