

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: LC Sea Trec II Grounding

SITREP #: 1 and final

SPILL NUMBER: 09269922401

LEDGER CODE: Requested

TIME/DATE OF INCIDENT: ADEC was initially contacted by the U.S. Coast Guard National Response Center. The National Response Center received notification from the Ekwok Village Council at 4:30 PM on August 12, 2009. It was reported by the operator that the landing craft (L/C) Sea Trec II grounded on a gravel sandbar at approximately 1:30 PM on August 12, 2009.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 02:00 PM on August 17, 2009

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: This is the final report.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: L/C Sea Trec II has approximately 700 gallons of diesel and 100 gallons of additional petroleum products on board the vessel. There have been no additional reports of leakage or sheening from the vessel other than the initial report received. An ADEC emergency responder on scene suspected that when the vessel grounded a slight list caused bilge pump to turn on discharging an unknown amount of oil and water into the Nushagak River.

LOCATION: The LC Sea Trec II grounded at 59°-21.543 N, 157°-27.290 W on the Nushagak River, approximately 0.5 miles north of the city of Ekwok, AK. Ekwok is located 43 miles northeast of Dillingham and 285 miles southwest of Anchorage.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The LC Sea Trec II grounded due to operator error on gravel-shallow bottom of Nushagak River.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Fresh Water Ventures, Dillingham, AK.

RESPONSE ACTIONS: Owner boomed off stern of LC Sea Trec II with 100 feet of absorbent boom and pads provided from ADEC spill response container in Dillingham. The PRP also placed pads on the deck of the vessel to limit any additional sheening that may occur. An ADEC representative arrived on scene early evening August 14, 2009 to complete a site assessment and monitor the situation.

Three support vessels and a small flat deck barge was mobilized from Dillingham to help remove some cargo from the forward part of the L/C Sea Trec II.

On August 16, 2009 at 08:00 PM, the L/C Sea Trec II was refloated with the assistance of the support vessels. The L/C Sea Trec II is under its own power and being escorted to Dillingham. There have been no reports of observable damage or additional leaks from the vessel.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: Nushagak River, there have no report of impacts to wildlife.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Upon returning to Dillingham an underwater survey of the vessel will be completed to determine if there is any damage to the vessels hull from the grounding. The estimated time of arrival to Dillingham is approximately 2-days. The PRP will replace in-kind the absorbent materials used from the ADEC spill response container in Dillingham.

WEATHER: Today: overcast, limited visibility, foggy, with scattered showers, SW winds 10-20mph, highs mid 50's. Tonight: cloudy with scattered showers, SW winds 15-20mph, lows mid 40's to lower 50's. Forecast for tomorrow: cloudy with chance of rain and fog, SW winds 15-20mph, highs in the 50's.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL

F.O.S.C. : Robert Whittier, EPA
 S.O.S.C. : John Brown, ADEC
 R.P.I.C. : Mr. Jerry Ball, Fresh Water Adventures

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: ADEC: Public Information Officer: Weld Royal (907) 465-5009, cell (907) 321-5491, State On Scene Coordinator John Brown 907-269-7688.

AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST

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LC Sea Trec II grounded on the Nushagak River, 0.5 miles north of Ekwok, AK. Photo provided by Lorraine King.