

## ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Division of Spill Prevention and Response Prevention and Emergency Response Program

## SITUATION REPORT

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## Rampart Tanker Fuel Release

SITREP#4

**SPILL #:** 13309910101

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 1:00 p.m. April 17, 2013

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Rampart Village Council

**INCIDENT LOCATION**: On a road 300 yards west of the Rampart Airport, approximately 150 yards southeast of the Yukon River. (Lat/Long: 65.509017 N, 150.159167 W)

**TIME/DATE OF SPILL:** The spill occurred at 9:30 p.m. on April 11, 2013, and was reported to ADEC at 12:47 p.m. on April 12, 2013.

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** Diesel fuel. The final volume released has been determined by ADEC responders on-site to be 2,750 gallons. The fuel was released into a birch, aspen and spruce forest.

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** A bulldozer was pulling a tanker trailer down a snow-covered road to deliver fuel. The trailer went into the adjacent ditch and rolled, resulting in extensive damage to the aluminum tank and causing immediate release of the diesel fuel.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** The tank is not leaking at this time.

**RESPONSE ACTION**: ADEC has two field responders on-site to develop plans for product recovery as well as an appropriate safety plan. ADEC continues working with the Rampart Village Council to determine the availability of trained local spill responders and equipment operators and to develop a plan for cleanup.

ADEC responders have delineated the surface area of the spill and are currently preparing for removal of contaminated snow and soil.

ADEC personnel, assisted by village residents, removed an additional 50 gallons of fuel from the trailer yesterday, bringing the total volume recovered from the trailer to 1,170 gallons. No fuel remains in the trailer at this time, and it has been righted and moved away from the spill site. A local responder will use heavy equipment provided by the village of Rampart to clear trees from an area along the road where containment cells will be placed for interim storage of contaminated material. There has been no recovery of spilled product to date.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** Snow-covered forest floor has been affected by this incident. The land at the spill site drains towards the Yukon River. ADEC is working with Rampart Village Council to prevent migration of the



spilled diesel fuel to the river, which is approximately 150 yards from the spill site. No wildlife impacts have been observed.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** ADEC will continue to monitor the response and develop plans for cleaning up contaminated snow and soil.

**WEATHER**: Tonight: Partly cloudy; low -2°F; Northeast winds from 5 to 10 mph.

Tomorrow: Sunny; high 33°F; East winds from 5 to 10 mph.

## **UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: Peggy Wright, Rampart Village Council

SOSC: John Ebel, ADEC Field SOSC: Paul Lhotka, ADEC

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT DISTRIBUTION: 1:00 p.m. April 19, 2013

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Ashley Adamczak, ADEC (907) 451-2124



An ADEC responder uses a cordless drill while preparing to remove fuel from the tanker on April 16, 2013. (Photo/ADEC)

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