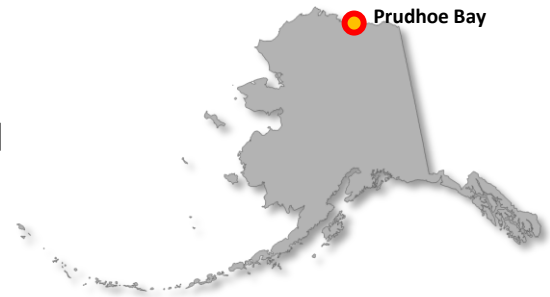




**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION**  
**Division of Spill Prevention and Response**  
**Prevention and Emergency Response Program**  
***SITUATION REPORT***



## **BPXA H Pad Well 8 Three-Phase Flowline Spill**

**SITREP #:** 2

**SPILL #:** 14399911801

**TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION:** 3:00 p.m. on April 30, 2014

**POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP):** BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc. (BPXA)

**INCIDENT LOCATION:** BPXA West Operating Area, H Pad Well 8, Prudhoe Bay

**TIME/DATE OF SPILL:** The incident started at 2:30 p.m. on April 28, 2014, when natural gas, crude oil and produced water began escaping from the line. The line was isolated by valves and depressurized at 4:30 p.m., at which point the release stopped.

**HOW/WHEN SPILL WAS DISCOVERED:** During routine inspections, a pad operator observed the release.

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** Natural gas and produced water containing crude oil were released. The spill volume is unknown at this time.

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** The cause of the release is under investigation

**SOURCE CONTROL:** Source control has been established. The section of pipe that caused the release has been positively isolated by blinds.

**RESPONSE ACTION:** The morning of April 29, ADEC personnel joined BPXA in a secondary demarcation of the spill area. Later, the contractor Bell and Associates completed a spill area survey that provided GPS delineation of the boundaries.

BPXA has established a decontamination area for the responders, and the staging area has been moved to a more effective location. BPXA spill response contractor, Alaska Clean Seas (ACS), worked during the evening of April 29 to broaden the site control area.

BPXA and its contractors have 30 personnel performing daytime field activities at the site for April 30, and 15 personnel will be deployed for the nighttime shift. BPXA plans to ramp up operations tomorrow to a daytime crew of 40 and a night crew of 20.

The primary tools for cleanup operations at this time consist of shovels and brooms to remove the contaminated snow.

ADEC mobilized three response personnel, who arrived the morning of April 30, to staff command post positions at Prudhoe Bay, while two other ADEC personnel monitor field operations. The Federal On-Scene Coordinator from the EPA arrived this morning with the State On-Scene Coordinator from ADEC; together they met with the BPXA Incident Commander to formulate overall response objectives.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** Approximately 33 acres of snow-covered tundra and two acres of gravel pad have been sprayed with an oily mist to varying degrees of coverage. No wildlife has been observed at the site.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** BPXA and ACS are developing a plan for deterring wildlife from the spill area for the safety of both responders and wildlife. BPXA has submitted a cleanup plan to ADEC, and it is currently under review. A Waste Management Plan is in development, as well as a Spill-Product Sampling Plan.

**WEATHER:** Mostly sunny with a high of 30°F and winds from the southwest at 8 mph. Tonight, temperature likely to rise into the mid-30s with a 40% chance of rain and SW winds at 13mph.

**UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: Shawn Croghan, BP Exploration (Alaska), Inc  
SOSC: Sarah Moore, ADEC  
FOSC: Matt Carr, EPA  
LOSC: Gordon Brower, North Slope Borough

**TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT DISTRIBUTION:** 2:00 p.m. on May 1, 2014

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[http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/perp/response/sr\\_active.htm](http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/perp/response/sr_active.htm)



ADEC and BPXA responders discussing delineation of spill area and potential response tactics (Photo/ADEC)

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