Sector Anchorage FOSC
Overview

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Chief of Response
Sector Anchorage Roles

Search and Rescue Mission Coordinator (SMC)

- Obtain and evaluate all data on the maritime emergency.
- Dispatch search and rescue units (SRUs).
- Develop search plans - search area, selecting the search pattern, and designating the on-scene coordinator (OSC).
- Monitor progress of the search and rescue mission.

Federal On Scene Coordinator (FOSC)

- Coordinates, monitors, or directs response efforts
- Responsible for providing access to federal resources and technical assistance
- Coordinates all federal containment, removal, and disposal efforts and resources during an oil or hazmat incident

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Roles & Responsibilities Cont’d

- **Federal Maritime Security Coordinator (FMSC)**

  - **Maritime Transportation Security Act 2002** - develop an area maritime security plan and coordinate actions under the National Transportation Security Plan.

  - **33CFR 103.205** - authority to establish, convene, and direct the Area Maritime Security (AMS) Committee which is a group of port stakeholders focused on security.

- **Officer in Charge Marine Inspections (OCMI)**

  - Prevention Department – Inspections & Investigations Divisions

  - Ensure vessels comply with the applicable laws, rules, and regulations relating to safe construction, equipment, manning, and operation and that they are in a seaworthy condition for the services in which they are operated.
Roles & Responsibilities Cont’d

- **Captain of the Port (COTP)**

  - 33CFR 6 - Safety and security of all vessels and waterfront facilities
  - Control movement of vessels, enforce safety & security zones, enforce regulated navigation areas, prevent sub standard vessels from entering

**Unit Strength: 600+ persons**

- 25 Officers
- 75 Enlisted
- 10 Civilians
- 400+ Auxiliary
Sector Anchorage Captain of the Port Zone
Current / Recent Pollution Response Operations

F/V Lone Star
- Extreme Tides & Currents

F/V Arctic Hunter
- Limited Weather Windows

Alaskan Incidents
- Logistical Challenges

Homeland Security
Non-Tank Vessel Response Plans

- Tank Vessels and Non-Tank Vessels over 400 GT must come into compliance with VRP Requirements.
- Oil spill response requirements cannot currently be met in most of Western Alaska waters.
- In order to compensate for these shortfalls in response capability Industry has to develop Alternative Planning Criteria (APC) to meet the intent of current regulations by augmenting current response resources and placing a stronger emphasis on prevention.
2014 Contingency Exercises

• Alaska Shield/JLOTS (dates)
  • AS 14 27 Mar 27 – 2 Apr
  • JLOTS 31 Mar – 07 Apr

• CANUSNORTH (Sep2014)
  • Transboundary Issues
  • OSLTF Recuperation

• PREP 2014 - 22 September (Tent)
  • Prince William Sound
All Threats.

All Hazards.

Always Ready.

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