



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

F/V Pacific Queen Sinking

SITREP # 1

SPILL #: 13119922601

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 2:00 p.m. August 15, 2013

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Joseph Lykken, Vessel Owner

INCIDENT LOCATION: Duncan Canal, Near Lung Island, 21 miles south-southwest of Petersburg

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: 1:00 a.m. August 14, 2013

HOW AND WHEN THE SPILL WAS DISCOVERED: The crew of the fishing vessel *Pacific Queen* notified the U.S. Coast Guard (Coast Guard) of the sinking at 1:00 a.m. on August 14, 2013. The Coast Guard notified ADEC at 3:05 a.m. the same day.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: The total fuel capacity of the vessel is 3,000 gallons however the Captain reported carrying approximately 1,000 gallons of diesel fuel at the time of the sinking. A light silver sheen was observed in the vicinity of the sunk vessel on the August 14 over flight. It is believed only a minimal amount of fuel has been released from the vessel due to the fuel vents being secured prior to sinking.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The 71-foot wooden-hulled fishing vessel hit a rock near Lung Island in Duncan Canal causing the vessel to sink.

SOURCE CONTROL: The Captain of the *F/V Pacific Queen* was able to secure the fuel vents before evacuation.

RESPONSE ACTION: On August 14, Southeast Alaska Petroleum Resource Organization (SEAPRO) was activated by Meredith Management Group, Inc. to assist with any pollution issues resulting from the sinking.

SEAPRO's Oil Spill Response Vessel *Neka Bay* with an oil recovery barge, 2,500 feet of containment boom, and skimming equipment departed Juneau the evening of August 14 and is currently on scene.

SEAPRO will assess the exact location and depth of the *F/V Pacific Queen* as well as the extent of any possible pollution impacts. SEAPRO plans to deploy containment boom around the *F/V Pacific Queen*.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: There has been no report of impacts to wildlife at this time. Kah Sheets Bay has been recognized as a sensitive area and is located approximately two miles west of the *F/V Pacific Queen*. The Geographic Response Strategy for Kah Sheets Bay will be considered by on-scene operations.



FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Assessment of the F/V *Pacific Queen* is ongoing. Forthcoming response plans will be reviewed by ADEC and the Coast Guard. The Unified Command will schedule a resource agency teleconference later today or tomorrow morning to discuss sensitive areas in the area and resource protection priorities.

WEATHER: Today: Showers; 65°F, winds southeast 5-15 mph; seas 1-2 feet. Tonight: Scattered showers; 54°F; winds northwest 5-15 mph; seas 1-2 feet. Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy and chance of showers; 67°F; winds southeast 5 mph; seas 1-2 feet.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander:	Paul Richie, Meredith Management Group, Inc.
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TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT DISTRIBUTION: 2:00 p.m. August 16, 2013

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Approximate location of the F/V *Pacific Queen*.



Light silver sheen was noted during the August 14, 2013 USCG over flight. The depth of the F/V *Pacific Queen* is unknown.
Photo by USCG.

AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST: This situation report was distributed to the agencies listed on the standard distribution list, which includes the governor's office, Senator Begich's office, State Emergency Operations Center, U.S. Department of the Interior, National Marine Fisheries Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and other state agencies. This situation report was also distributed to the following agencies and stakeholders:

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