

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: F/V Mar-Gun Grounding St. George Island

SITREP #:7

SPILL NUMBER: 09259906401

LEDGER CODE: 14251760

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: The US Coast Guard (USCG) Sector Anchorage notified ADEC at 6:15 AM on March 5, 2009 that the F/V Mar-Gun had run aground with five (5) people on board and was taking on water. The F/V Mar-Gun is a 112-foot trawl vessel.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 2:00 PM on March 13, 2009

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 2:00 PM on March 16, 2009

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: An unknown amount of diesel fuel has been released. The vessel owner and crew informed the USCG that there were approximately 15,000 gallons of diesel fuel, and approximately 600 gallons of lube and hydraulic oils on board. The actual amounts on board will be determined by lightered volumes.

LOCATION: North shoreline of St. George Island, at approximately Latitude 56° 36' N, Longitude 169° 36' W. St. George Island is one of the Pribilof Islands located in the Bering Sea approximately 250 miles northwest of Unalaska.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The cause of the grounding is being investigated by the USCG.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Margun Enterprises, LLC.

RESPONSE ACTION: No diesel was transferred from the vessel on Wednesday as residual fuels were collected from various tanks and consolidated to the #3 starboard fuel tank. This fuel will be transferred to shore during operations today and will then be transferred to a 5,000 gallon community storage tank for use by the community. Approximately 1,000 gallons of diesel will remain in the starboard day tank for use in running the generators on board. Following the transfer to shore of the diesel from the #3 starboard tank, the team will begin pumping the heavier or more persistent lube oils from the vessel using the same series of hoses. These oils will be pumped into drums on shore and then relocated to the harbor. Yesterday, fifteen bags of oiled sorbents were removed from the vessel and moved to the stockpile for eventual burning. In addition, (5) five-gallon buckets of lubes and solvents were removed from the vessel. These all contained clean, unused product. Currently, approximately 20 federal, state and local responders are still on site.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: There have been no reports of impacted wildlife at this time. The Shoreline Cleanup Assessment Technique (SCAT) team will stand down for the present but will be re-activated if any new pollution event should occur.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Continue assessment for remaining fuel and vessel integrity. Consolidate fuels from various tanks for removal if discovered. A vessel recovery section has been added to the incident command to assess removal of the vessel and those plans are expected soon. Positioning additional anchors for stabilizing the vessel are being considered. The draft plan from Polaris Applied Sciences for conducting subsistence sampling of the area was received yesterday and is being reviewed by a workgroup. This sampling would take place after the lightering operations are complete and the vessel has been removed.

WEATHER: Mostly cloudy with snow showers, temperatures in the mid 30s. West winds to 20 MPH.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Charles Ellwanger (PRP)
 F.O.S.C. : CDR Joseph LoSciuto (USCG)
 S.O.S.C. : Gary Folley (ADEC)
 L.O.S.C : Maxim Malavansky Jr. (St. George Traditional Council)

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gary Folley, ADEC, 262-5210 ext 234
 Weld Royal, ADEC Public Information Officer, 465-5009/321-5491

A Unified Command Web site has been established at

http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/perp/response/sum_fy09/090305201/090305201_index.htm

AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST

This sitrep has been distributed via email to the Governor's office, ADF&G, ADNRR, SECC, USEPA, USDOJ, NMFS, USFWS, and USFS in addition to the following.

AGENCY	NAME	Sent Via		Telephone	Facsimile
USCG Sector Anchorage	U.S. Coast Guard Sector Anchorage, Response Incident Management Division	Fax		271-6700	271-6751
USEPA	Matt Carr	Fax		271-3616	271-3424
OTHER	NAME	Sent Via	Session/Interim	Telephone	Facsimile
DH Port Director	Alvin Osterback	Fax		581-1254	581-2519
Unalaska Mayor	Shirley Marquardt	Fax		581-1211	581-1695
Aleut Regional Native Corporation/ANC office		Fax		561-4300	563-4328
St. George Traditional Council	Maxim Malavansky Jr	Fax		859-2447	859-2251
City of St George		Fax		859-2205	859-2242
Senate S/Bethel	Lyman Hoffman	Fax	Bethel/Juneau	465-4453	465-4523
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ADEC Responder providing oversight.



All-terrain transport on beach.