

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: F/V *Cape Cross* Grounding

SITREP #: 2

SPILL NUMBER: 10229920701

LEDGER CODE: 14301760

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: The F/V *Cape Cross* grounded in Main Bay in Prince William Sound at 5:00 AM on July 26, 2010. The US Coast Guard (USCG) reported the grounding to ADEC at 7:37 AM on the same day.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 3:00 PM on August 2, 2010

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: As the situation warrants.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: At the time of grounding, the vessel had approximately 3000 gallons of diesel fuel and 400 gallons of lube and hydraulic oils on board. A USCG overflight on July 27 reported sheen emanating from the stricken vessel, apparently from residual oils in the bilge and an unsecured gasoline drum from the aft deck.

LOCATION: Main Bay in Prince William Sound. The vessel grounded approximately half way up the bay on the south side (60° 31.788'N, 148° 03.743'W).

CAUSE OF SPILL: The vessel drifted onto an uncharted pinnacle.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Mr. John Cross

RESPONSE ACTION: On Saturday, July 31, response crews completed lightering any remaining fuel from the F/V *Cape Cross*. R&R Diving had two vessels on-scene tending containment boom around the vessel during lightering operations. SERVS had been providing vessels and a HarborBuster skimming system to collect sheen and vessels and personnel to tend the protection boom at the nearby hatchery. Once lightering was completed and no further sheens were found in the bay area, SERVS vessels and equipment were de-mobilized.

The response crew from R&R Diving remains on-site to tend the boom around the vessel and to continue preparations for salvage. Dan Magone of Magone Marine Services arrived on Saturday to lead development of the salvage plan; his two work tugs and a crane barge are expected to arrive from Unalaska in the next few days, after which salvage operations will begin.

SOURCE CONTROL: All of the diesel fuel, as well as the lube and hydraulic oils, have been removed from the vessel. Only minor sheening has been observed within the boom around the vessel.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: There have been no reports of impacts to wildlife. ADF&G continues the closure of the commercial fishery in Main Bay as a precaution.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Response crews will continue to maintain the boom around the vessel. Dan Magone has provided a salvage plan that will be implemented when his vessels arrive on-scene.

WEATHER: Today: cloudy, patchy fog; highs in the upper 50s to mid 60s; light winds; near Seward, light winds becoming south 10 mph in the afternoon. Tonight: mostly cloudy; patchy fog; slight chance of rain after midnight; lows in the upper 40s to mid 50s; light winds. Tuesday: cloudy with scattered showers; patchy morning fog; highs in the lower 60s to lower 70s; light winds, except south 10 mph near Seward. Tuesday night: cloudy; chance of rain after midnight; lows around 50; variable wind to 10 mph.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Dan Magone
 F.O.S.C.: LCDR Erin Williams, USCG
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Response crews conduct the lightering operation on the F/V Cape Cross while SERVS vessels tow the HarborBuster skimming equipment in an effort to collect uncontained sheen. Photo courtesy of USCG.

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