



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

## **Jarvis Power Plant Diesel Tank 1**

**SITREP #:** 1

**SPILL #:** 15119922701

**TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION:** 5:00 p.m. August 17, 2015

**POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP):** City and Borough of Sitka

**INCIDENT LOCATION:** 133 Jarvis Street Sitka, Alaska

**TIME/DATE OF SPILL:** The spill occurred at approximately 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 15, 2015.

**HOW AND WHEN THE SPILL WAS DISCOVERED:** The USCG received a report of diesel washing ashore in Sitka Sound near Indian River, at approximately 11:45 a.m. on August 15. USCG personnel cleaned up the oil that was observed, the USCG was unable to identify the source. The City and Borough of Sitka discovered fuel in the secondary containment area of the Jarvis Street diesel power facility and reported a leaking valve from the secondary containment area at 2:30 p.m. on August 16.

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** City and Borough of Sitka estimated approximately 30,000 gallons of diesel fuel was released to the facility's secondary containment area. The valve on the secondary containment area failed, and approximately 2,500 gallons of diesel was released into the storm drain system which empties into Sitka Sound at the mouth of the Indian River.

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** The investigation into the exact cause is ongoing.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** Delta Western was hired to pump out the remaining diesel from the secondary containment area. The containment drain was secured and all diesel in the containment was pumped out recovering an estimated 23,000 gallons.

**RESPONSE ACTION:** A Unified Command has been set up in Sitka. Recovery of oil in the storm drain system and at the outfall of the storm drain with containment boom and absorbent materials continues. ADEC drum skimmer was sent to Sitka, but it won't be used at this time because the quantity of oil in Sitka Sound is considered non recoverable.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** There have been no confirmed reports of impacted fish or wildlife in the area. Sheen and diesel have impacted the shoreline around the mouth of Indian River.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** Responders will continue to recover oil and work to develop a plan for storm water containment.



**WEATHER:** Today: Rain. Highs around 60. South wind 10 mph becoming southwest 10 to 15 mph in the afternoon. Tonight: Becoming windy late. Rain likely. Lows around 58. South wind 15 to 25 mph increasing to 30 mph with gusts around 45 mph late. Tomorrow: Windy...rain. Highs around 59. Southwest wind 20 to 30 mph with gusts to around 40 mph becoming west 15 to 25 mph in the afternoon.

**UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander:	Al Stevens, City and Borough of Sitka
Park Superintendent	Mary A. Miller, Sitka National Historic Parks
SOSC:	Bob Mattson, SOSC
FOSC:	Shannan Greene, FOSC
FOSCr:	Michael Whortman, Chief Warrant Officer

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

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

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