

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Division of Spill Prevention and Response

Prevention Preparedness and Response Program

SITUATION REPORT (SITREP)

Askinuk Tank Farm Gasoline Release

SITREP #: 1

SPILL #: 18279911101

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 5:00 am April 26, 2018

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Askinuk Corporation

INCIDENT LOCATION: Askinuk Corporation Tank Farm, Scammon Bay

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: Between April 9th and April 23rd

HOW/WHEN SPILL WAS DISCOVERED AND REPORTED: A suspected spill was reported to the department on April 23rd by concerned community members. On April 24th, the tank farm operator confirmed that a spill had occurred and reported that community members had noted a petroleum odor in the vicinity of the tank farm.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: The Askinuk Corporation estimates that the spill volume is 7,000 gallons of unleaded gasoline. The spill was contained in secondary containment. Around April 17th the tank farm operator pumped water out of secondary containment into the Kun River. It is unknown if that water contained spilled product, however the operator reported seeing sheen outside of the dike of the secondary containment.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The cause of the release from the tank into the secondary containment is being investigated. Mixed water and gasoline may have been pumped over the side of the secondary containment by the tank farm operator.

SOURCE CONTROL: The leaking tank is now empty. The contents of the tank drained into secondary containment. Due to heavy icing it is unknown how much product is still in secondary containment.

RESPONSE ACTION: Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) and United States Coast Guard (USCG) have formed a unified command and are working with the Askinuk Corporation to gather information. ADEC and USCG responders will travel to Scammon Bay to assess the situation as soon as weather allows.

ADEC and is distributing a factsheet to the community of Scammon Bay with recommendations against subsistence use of affected areas until potential impacts can be assessed and mitigated. An advisory on subsistence use will likely remain in place until the ice breaks up on the Kun River. Fact sheets on the subsistence use advisory and how to report oiled wildlife can be found on the ADEC response web page and will be posted throughout the community.

RESOURCES AT RISK OR AFFECTED: At this time the immediate concern is impacts to subsistence resources for the Scammon Bay community. Impacts to subsistence use outside of Scammon Bay are not expected and impacts to subsistence in and around Scammon Bay may be mitigated by the breakup of ice. This time of year the community fishes for saffron cod and rainbow smelt through the ice. Other species that may be present

include chum salmon larvae and eggs, iconnu (sheefish), and whitefish in the Kun River. Bearded seal are hunted in the spring and beluga may follow the salmon and herring in May and June. Geese, ducks, and cranes will be arriving to the area by mid-May.

Subsistence plants gathered in brackish ponds and in the area directly impacted by the release may also be impacted.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: ADEC and USCG responders will evaluate the situation and assess initial impacts to land and water with further recommendations and response actions to be determined by observations on the ground.

WEATHER: Mid 30s, 70% chance of precipitation, south-southwest winds 15 to 20 mph

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

SOSC: Geoff Merrell, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation

FOSC: Captain Sean Mackenzie, United States Coast Guard

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

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa Krebs-Barsis, EPS IV, ADEC (907) 269-8487 http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/ppr/spill-information/response/



AERIAL OVERVIEW OF ASKINUK CORPORATION TANK FARM WITH THE TOWNSITE TO THE SOUTHEAST AND THE KUN RIVER TO THE NORTH

AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST: This situation report was distributed to the agencies listed on the standard distribution list, which includes the governor'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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