

# Spill Summary Report

23119928301

<b>Spill Number:</b>	23119928301	<b>Spill Name:</b>	MV Westward SAD Kake Harbor
<b>Spill Date/Time:</b>	10/10/2023 10:30	<b>Primary Responsible Party:</b>	Duncan, Edgar
<b>Case Closed Date:</b>		<b>Reporter:</b>	Martin Wenglinski- USCG
<b>File Number:</b>		<b>Response Type:</b>	Phone Follow-up
<b>Ledger Code:</b>		<b>Staff Name:</b>	Gottlob, Tessa
<b>IRIS Location:</b>		<b>IRIS Sublocation:</b>	4522 - MV Westward SAD Kake Harbor
<b>Comment:</b>	NRC#1381377, NRC#1407616 Pending inventory of equipment used from City of Kake		

## Facility/Site Location

<b>Facility/Site Name:</b>	BOAT HARBOR, KAKE CITY - Keku Strait	<b>Area:</b>	Southeast Alaska
<b>Address Line #1:</b>		<b>Sub-Area:</b>	Southeast Alaska
<b>Address Line #2:</b>		<b>Region:</b>	Marine - Frederick Sound
<b>City/State/ZIP Code:</b>	Kake, AK 99830	<b>Location:</b>	Keku Strait
<b>FacilityType:</b>	Vessel	<b>Facility Subtype:</b>	Other, under 400 GT
<b>Facility Note:</b>			

## Product Released

Substance Subtype Name	Qty Released	Unit	Disposal Description	Disposal Note
Diesel	0.100	Gallons	Natural Dispersion	Absorbent material deployed for passive recovery. Material taken back to JNU for disposal. Sheening naturally dispersed, minimal recoverable product on board.

<b>Substance Note:</b>	
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## Cause/Source

<b>Contributing Cause</b>
Sinking, Human Factors (Primary)
<b>Cause Note:</b> Vessel sank due to unknown causes
<b>Source Note:</b> Vessel info: 80ft long, wooden construction. Potentially old Halibut tender. Name: Westward. unknown identifying number.

## Spill Cleanup Actions

Action Description	Staff Name	Action Date	Action Due Date	Completed	Action Note
Complaint/Report Received	Gottlob, Tessa	10/10/2023		Yes	NRC #1381377 received. Report states there was a release of an unknown amount of unknown oil into the waters of the Kake harbor due to a vessel that sank at dock (SAD). Vessel number unknown. NRC lists vessel as a personal vessel, name Westerly. Vessel indicated to have wooden hull.

Action Description	Staff Name	Action Date	Action Due Date	Completed	Action Note
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	10/10/2023		Yes	11:30am TG Communication with USCG. Vessel has been derelict for years, unknown amount of product on board, they suspect diesel. Sheening observed was 200-300ft by 50-60, mostly trapped in harbor. Unknown on who owns the vessel, but someone told USCG that the last person to own it was an Edgar Duncan. Vessel name is Westerly or Westward.
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	10/10/2023		Yes	1315h: Kake Mayor contacted ADEC regarding incident. Mayor stated they have deployed boom around the vessel. Unknown owner, vessel has changed hands multiple times but vessel has remained derelict at the dock for at least 6 years. Vessel is older style, 80ft long and wooden. Cabin in the back of the vessel and a big mast in the front. Potentially a tender vessel. Suspected it was originally brought up from Wrangell.
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	10/10/2023		Yes	1400h. ADEC spoke with harbor master for Kake. Harbor master was still on scene working on boom deployment and active spill response.
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	10/10/2023		Yes	1407h- ADEC spoke with USCG duty officer. They confirmed RP name and contact number. Boat has not been operational for years. Fuel had already been drained from the vessel. Remaining oil in the main lines and approximately 10 gallons of hydraulic oil. USCG stated the estimated total potential on board is approximately 1 drum of petroleum products total. The RP's plan of action is to wait until low tide to assess options for raising the vessel. No insurance on the vessel. Harbor master had deployed containment boom around the vessel and is currently working on deployment of additional boom to contain sheening in the harbor. They are working to combat the tidal shifts.
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	10/10/2023		Yes	ADEC contacted RP to discuss incident. RP reiterated information provided by USCG. RP stated likely course of action is to tow vessel to shore to then assess if it can be refloated. Minimal resources in Kake to dive/tow vessel. RP stated vessel has not been registered since 2000. RP stated vessel name is Westward
Cost Recovery Action	Gottlob, Tessa	10/10/2023		Yes	Coding requested
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	10/10/2023		Yes	1530h- ADEC spoke with harbor master. Containment boom has been successfully deployed around vessel and lined with absorbent sausage boom. Absorbent pads also utilized around the harbor to assist in the recovery of sheening. Harbor master stated that they believe vessel is a Halibut Tender. 1 bag of absorbent sausage boom was utilized.
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	10/11/2023		Yes	ADEC called and left vm for Kake mayor requesting call back to discuss.

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Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	10/11/2023		Yes	ADEC spoke with RP regarding efforts to raise vessel. High tide is at about 12. RP plans to get together additional floatation devices to try to raise the vessel today and have it towed to shore.
Letter Of Interest Issued	Gottlob, Tessa	10/11/2023		Yes	ADEC issued LOSI via email and certified mail to RP. LOSI requests RP to submit interim report regarding plans for removal of vessel and for disposal/containment/decon of impacted spill equipment.
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	10/11/2023		Yes	ADEC called and left vm for Kake Harbor Master.
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	10/11/2023		Yes	ADEC spoke with USCG regarding case updates. USCG has been in contact with mayor and harbor master regarding next steps and cleanup plans. RP intends to float vessel and tow to shore to work on patching/repairing vessel. ADEC advised an LOSI had been issued to listed RP. USCG has not been able to track down documentation of ownership, vessel number, or any registration information for vessel. USCG intends to issue NOFI to RP.
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	10/11/2023		Yes	USCG provided updated information on incident. Case is being federalized and contractors are being hired to respond to vessel.
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	10/12/2023		Yes	ADEC spoke with harbor master regarding updates.
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	10/13/2023		Yes	ADEC spoke with USCG. The Dive team and the tug Salvation ETA is 2300 10/13. Dive operations set for tomorrow morning. They plan to dive first to assess if fuel vents can be accessed safely. If they can locate them, they plan to get the vents plugged and potentially pump out the tanks if able. USCG said that he is still trying to contact the mayor more about what the plans are for the vessel. USCG would like to get the vessel out of there, but it depends on what the city's capabilities are. They have two USCG responders going down this weekend and ADEC requested they inspect the ADEC conex and provide photos. Additionally, the contractors had brought extra absorbents with them. If they have extra after response efforts, the absorbents will be placed in the ADEC conex and it will come out of USCG's fund.
Other	Gottlob, Tessa	10/18/2023		Yes	Updates from USCG- remediation response proceeding as per original plan. Pollution removed from vessel.
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	11/08/2023		Yes	ADEC contacted harbor master regarding the vessel and harbor boom. Vessel is still sunk in area. Owner has been attempting to tow and sink vessel away from harbor. Boom is still deployed in harbor. Harbor master will work on the removal of the boom and logging the material taken from ADEC's Conex.

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Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	12/14/2023		Yes	ADEC sent follow-up email to harbor master requesting updates on boom maintenance and LRC inventory listings.
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	01/12/2024		Yes	ADEC received call from Kake city officials discussing the LRC and equipment used for response operations. Vessel is still in harbor.
Complaint/Report Received	Gottlob, Tessa	08/11/2024		Yes	NRC1407616. Anonymous report submitted of sunken vessel in Kake Harbor.
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	09/13/2024		Yes	ADEC sent em to harbor master requesting updates on location of harbor boom.
Communication, Other	Gottlob, Tessa	01/27/2025		Yes	City rep stated they are waiting on list of used equipment from LRC from previous mayor. ADEC waiting on updates on equipment.
Other	Gottlob, Tessa	07/30/2025		Yes	Case resolution pending. DEC is working with local representatives for response material in need of replacement.