



Update #7 Olympic Pipeline gasoline spill Conway, WA

Conway, WA (December 16, 2023/5:00 PM)

The unified command leading the response to the release of gasoline from a vault associated with the Olympic Pipeline in Conway, Washington has the following updates on the progress of cleanup efforts:

- Teams have evaluated 6280 meters (3.9 miles) of shoreline for potential spill impacts, and trace impacts from the spill have been found on 213 meters (699 feet) of shoreline.
- Approximately 2,300 feet of boom are currently deployed in the response.
- Approximately 6,993 gallons of gasoline have been recovered to date. This number will be updated when the oily/water mixture being collected has sufficient time to settle and be measured. Approximately 25,326 gallons were released in the incident.

Members of the public who come upon injured or deceased wildlife are asked not to touch or relocate affected wildlife and to call 1-800-22BIRDS.

Area residents who live along Hill Ditch may continue to see sheen as pockets of gasoline that were trapped by vegetation and other debris on the water and along the shoreline are released by wind, rain, and the natural rise and fall of stream levels. Spill response teams are locating and removing these pockets of gasoline.

General Information

The unified command consists of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Washington Department of Ecology, Skagit County Department of Emergency Management, bp, Lummi Nation, and the Swinomish Indian Tribal Community.

A claims center has been established by the Olympic Pipeline. Please call 1-866-616-1558 to report any personal or property damages resulting from the spill.

One lane of SR 534 remains open as cleanup work proceeds. Traffic flaggers are assisting motorists through the area.

Air monitoring conducted at the direction of unified command continues to indicate no public health risk from gasoline fumes.

Status updates will be posted on Ecology's incident webpage at <http://tinyurl.com/svvp2p4s>.

The Federal Aviation Administration established a temporary flight restriction in the response area. More information is available at https://tfr.faa.gov/save_pages/detail_3_6632.html.

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