

Washington State Citizens Committee on Pipeline Safety
Department of Ecology Spills Prevention, Preparedness and Response Program
Pipeline Oil Spill Contingency Plan and Drill Updates
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I am Scott Zimmerman from the Department of Ecology's Spills Prevention, Preparedness and Response Program. I oversee all of the Pipeline Oil Spill Contingency Plans and the development and revision of Inland Geographical Response Plans. Ecology's Spills Program is responsible for review and approval of Oil Spill Contingency Plans and oversight of oil spill drill requirements for pipelines here in Washington State.

Ecology tracks drill progress over a three year drill cycle. In each of the three years, plan holders are required to have one tabletop exercise and two deployment exercises each year. In one of the three years each planholder is required to hold a worst case drill.

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Phillips 66 East Washington Pipeline Response Zone-Yellowstone Pipeline

- The ConocoPhillips Company has recently reorganized. The ConocoPhillips Eastern Washington Response Zone Emergency Response Plan has been replaced with the Phillips 66 East Washington Pipeline Response Zone Appendix Integrated Contingency Plan. A thorough review of the plan was completed and a conditional approval was granted on July 19. The plan needs considerable work to correct deficiencies in notification procedures, format, spill management team specifics, and other issues that are specific to Washington State requirements. The notification section has already been amended correctly. The remaining corrections are due to us by October 19.
- This plan was in conditional approval status prior to the reorganization. We continue to work with Phillips 66 to resolve issues relating to their ability to meet our planning standards. An agreement with Tidewater Barge Lines is almost complete. This will allow Phillips 66 access to Tidewater's response capability.

2012 Scheduled Drills:

- 04/19/2012: Deployment Drill - Moses Lake, WA. The response team successfully demonstrated emergency shutdown procedures, damage control procedures, and containment and collection of a land spill.
- 10/1-4/2012: Table Top Worst Case Drill - Spokane City/County Emergency Ops Center 1618 North Rebecca Spokane, WA 99217. Ecology has helped to plan this exercise and will fully participate in and evaluate this drill.

Nustar Pasco Pipeline

- NuStar and Tidewater Barge Lines are currently in negotiations for Tidewater to purchase the approximately 4 mile long pipeline that runs from the tanks at Burlington Northern to the Tidewater Terminal on the Snake River. This pipeline transports refined fuel products,

predominantly diesel fuel for the Burlington Northern Railroad. Tidewater is currently coordinating with Ecology to integrate the NuStar Oil Spill Contingency Plan with Tidewater's Oil Spill Contingency Plan to ensure Tidewater has the necessary response resources and spill management team to respond to oil spills for the pipeline. We expect the sale to close sometime in October. We will continue to work with Tidewater to fully update their oil spill contingency plan.

2012 Scheduled Drills:

- 07/25/2012: Deployment Drill – Pasco, WA. The response team successfully demonstrated Initial site safety and discussed how they would prevent a land spill from migrating into a wetland.

Chevron Pipe Line Company

- Chevron has undertaken extensive training (classroom and in the field) of their contractors to improve responses to spills in rivers. They are exceeding our expectations with these efforts. We participated with them in a 3 day boom deployment training and drill in April.
- No major updates to the Oil Spill Contingency Plan. Plan approved in November 2011 and is due again in November of 2015.

2012 Scheduled Drills:

- 03/14/2012: Worst Case Drill - Pasco, WA.
- 04/19/2012: 3 day boom deployment training and deployment drill
- 09/11/2012 Successful GRP deployment at Casey Pond (M319.8) to exclude oil from entering the Columbia River.

Spills:

4/5/12: 1 ounce leak of biodiesel at the Chevron Terminal in Pasco.

Olympic Pipe Line Company

- No major updates to the Oil Spill Contingency Plan. Plan approved in January 2011 and due again in January of 2015.
- They are now doing field work to re-evaluate their control points along the Columbia from Longview to Vancouver. They are also collecting data on the State GRP's in that area.

2012 Scheduled Drills:

- 05/9/2012: Deployment Drill and Tabletop Drill - Central Area (Renton, WA). Olympic successfully deployed a control point in May creek in Renton.
- 08/27/2012: Deployment Drill and Table Top Drill - South Area (Columbia River)
- 10/10/2012: Deployment Drill and Table Top Drill - Meet at the Bayview Products Terminal (14879 Ovenell Road Mount Vernon, WA) for a pre-drill safety meeting.

Spills:

- 4/30/12: 7.5 gallon leak into a containment vault at the Renton Terminal.

Kinder Morgan Pipeline (TransMountain Pipeline)

- No major updates to the Oil Spill Contingency Plan. Plan approved in August of 2009 and due again in August of 2014.

2012 Scheduled Drills:

- 3/14/2012: Deployment Drill -Kinder Morgans' response team successfully built two underflow dams and set up a collection point in a creek near their Laurel Station.
- 10/17/2012: Table Top Worst Case Drill - Hampton Inn, 3985 Bennett Dr., Bellingham, WA 98225.

U.S. Oil & Refining Company/McCord Pipeline

- Nothing new to report concerning their contingency plan.

2012 Scheduled Drills:

- 9/19/2012: Deployment Drill – McChord Pipelines response team successfully deployed control point S-7B on Steilacoom Lake.

Rule Update

Ecology's Oil spill Contingency Planning Rule was opened formally in June. The rule focuses primarily on requirements to regulated vessels but one change may impact oil pipelines. A section of the rule will change the requirement to notify when spills occur to ground or into containment and threaten state waters (surface or ground). The change would ensure there would be early notification and if necessary implementation of the company's oil spill contingency plan. Right now the reporting standards are not clear on when a facility must report a spill to ground. The rule process is scheduled to be completed in December 2012.

This concludes Ecology's update.