BP Whiting Crude Oil

Discharge

March 24, 2014
Case Summary

• 24Mar – oil discovered on the surface of the #6 separator and the surface of the lake beyond the outfall

• Contractors hired to remove oil from the shore, lake, and #6 separator

• High estimate for material discharged = 39 barrels
#6 Once Through Cooling System
Timeline

24 Mar – Initial incident and response

25-26 Mar – Recovery of spilled oil

27 Mar – 01 Apr – Maintenance of shoreline

08 Apr – Intermediate SCAT walk

15 Aug – Final SCAT sign off
Response Resources

- 1500-ft hard boom at outfall
- 3000-ft hard boom closing the cove
- 14 vacuum trucks
- 2500-ft absorbent boom
- 1000-ft absorbent pads
- 82 response personnel (IMT & Field)
MSU Activities

Resources:
- 8 personnel on-site
- 2 FOSCR’s
- 3 B/I Pollution Responders
- 166 total man hours (est)

Operations:
- Pollution investigation
- SCAT
- FOSCR
- Response strategies
## EPA Activities

### Resources:
- 7 EPA personnel on-site
- 2 ERT (not on-site)
- 2 START
- 355 total man hours (est)

### Operations:
- Technical Advisers
- SCAT
- FOSC
- Response strategies
Lessons Learned

• Early establishment of UC

• Clear delineation of authority at a response in the coastal zone

• Cross training between EPA and USCG needs to happen regularly

• OSLTF fund usage clarification (RP led response specifically)

• Unified voice for media release (we have the answers, ensure they are provided)
Questions?
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