Keith Lake Cut and Texas Bayou Boom Deployment

Date: 8/18/98

Time: 0815-1200 (Tide charts show a low tide at 8:28 a.m. (8/18) at Sabine Pass and a high tide at 12:25 p.m. (8/18))

Meeting Spot: 0815 HWY 87/GIWW Bridge Boat Ramp

Objectives:
1. Allow contractors to implement an effective booming strategy to protect Keith Lake Cut and Texas Bayou on an incoming tide
2. Document the strategy and lessons learned via, written words, hand drawn sketch and video camera
3. Submit this document to MSO Port Arthur for inclusion in the ACP (see example paperwork)

Texas Bayou

In Charge: Kip Hamilton
Documentation Team: Becky Demeter, Louann Holiday (DynMcDermott)
Contractor Group: Intracoastal Environmental (Lynn Fultz)

Important Information:
1. Insure that we work with Sabine Offshore and minimize any disruption to their fueling operation.
2. Insure we speak with "Pops" at the Chicken Crossing

Miscellaneous:
1. Contractors have a 4-hour minimum call out time frame.
2. Please call Garner, Intracoastal, Becky, Louann and USCG on Monday 8/17 to confirm.
Data Collection Form

Location:
Texas Bayou - Sabine Pass, Texas

Personnel involved:
LouAnn Holidge - DynMcDermott (observer)
Becky Detemeter - Star Enterprise (observer)
8 people - Intracoastal Environmental

Time and Date of Activity
8/18/98 - 0800-1200

Specific Information to gather:

1. How many people were needed to perform booming strategy? (specific talents needed?)
   No more than 6.

2. What equipment was used? Boat size and type, motor size, boom type, anchor configuration and weights, line size and type, etc.
   Equipment needed.
   26' w/150 hp
   18" w/130 hp
   2500' of 24" skirt boom
   100' of anchor rope
   50 lb. anchor
   1 float for the anchor point
   6 personnel

3. Draw a sketch of the final booming configuration along with a description of the area.
   (on back of this sheet or attach)
   See attached sketch.

4. What were water and wind conditions? Tide, current meter reading, wind direction and speed, air temperature
   5-10 mph, SE winds
   0.5 knots. Current - (by current meter, looked stronger)

5. Specific lessons learned:
   Sand is soft so more anchor rope is needed. Also, skirt on the boom needs to be longer. A 24" skirt would do the job.

   Was current difficult to work in?
   Yes. Boat position problems.

   Comments from local waterway users
   Depths, current information.
Boat ramp specifications - what size equipment can it accommodate
Anything on trailer.

Safety considerations
Suggest boat safety course. All had life preservers.

Environmental considerations - Any chance we could do more harm by booming activity?
NO.

Statement as to why we would want to perform this booming in a spill event. (What are we protecting?)
Keep oil out of sensitive marsh.

6. Any additional comments:
None.
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Sabine Pass, Tx.

Texas Bayou

Sabin offshore services.

Lower Sabine River

Equipment Needed:
- 26' w/150 HP
- 18' w/120 HP
- 2500' of 24" skirt boom
- 100' of anchor rope
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- 1 float for the anchor point
- 6 personnel