

2019-09-27 WTP FUEL TRUCK 3500 LITERS DIESEL

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Please find the following information as a follow up to the Spill report submitted September 28, 2019 by Agnico Eagle Meadowbank division. This detailed report is submitted to the Inspector in compliance with the conditions under the Nunavut Water Board License 2AM-WTP1826, Part H, Item 8c.

Spill Description

Fuel truck operator was returning from his fuel run at Whale Tail pit when he lost sight of the road due to poor visibility (blowing snow) and went off the road, tipping on its side. The fuel tank did not rupture but fuel was leaking out of the breather vents.



Spill location: N 65 24'28.3" W 096 40'52.7" on IOL

There were no off site impacts or discharge to any receiving watercourses. Distance to the closest water body is approximately 200 meters to A51.

Cause of Spill

The spill was due to the fuel truck going off the road.

Remediation Actions

Spill pads and booms were placed on the ground, a small sump and perimeter trench was dug to collect any further fuel from going into the tundra. The fuel in the truck was pumped into another fuel truck and tipped upright. The fuel in the sump was pumped into totes and sent to the HazMat area with the spill pads and booms. Once the truck was removed from the scene, the contaminated material was scraped, collected and brought to the Meadowbank landfarm. Approximately 120m3 of contaminated material was collected.













Corrective measures

During low visibility conditions when a fuel run is required to maintain operating equipment, a truck escort will be provided. High vis flags have also been installed on road where the spill occurred.

Closure

We trust that the above details described appropriately the spill incident that occurred at the Whale Tail site on September 27, 2019 and the cleanup activities. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.

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