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DONNER DIESEL SPILL CLEANUP ON I-80 ENDING

Crews completed all diesel spill related work in the median along Interstate-80 near Donner Summit today. All booms have been removed. No further impacts to traffic are anticipated.

Clean up of a smaller amount of spill impacted soil will begin mid-July on the south side of I-80 (Donner Lake side), but it will not affect traffic. A soil removal and long-term sediment and surface water monitoring plan is forthcoming. The Department of Fish and Game (DFG), Nevada County Environmental Health Department (NCEHD) and Regional Water Quality Control Board will review and approve the plan with the consultant.

DFG and NCEHD responded to the spill on May 26 which occurred when a tanker truck overturned and spilled as much as 3,000 gallons of diesel fuel along I-80 on the west side of Donner Lake. Some of the material washed over the side of the interstate into the soil and watershed of Billy Mack and Summit Creeks. The most recent water sample results show no diesel detections in Billy Mack Creek, Summit Creek or Donner Lake.

For the latest information on this spill visit https://calspillwatch.dfg.ca.gov/

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