## Unified Command Responds to Outer Passage Incident THIS IS A DRILL

**Oceanside, CA** - The Unified Command remains focused on the protection of people and the environment in its response to a marine vessel collision 17 miles off the coast, west of Oceanside, California.

At approximately 1:30am, the container ship Stuck Rudder and the Hamachi Voyager, a Chevronoperated oil tanker, collided, with the release of a yet to be determined quantity of crude oil.

All personnel on both vessels are currently accounted for. Three tanker crew members were injured and have been evacuated to a local hospital. Two responders en route to the response received minor injuries in a car accident. Both have been medically evaluated at a local hospital and have been discharged.

Teams of experts have been dispatched to make the area safe, identify and assess any damage, and coordinate the on-site response.

More updates will be released to www.outerpassageexerciseresponse.com and calspillwatch.dfg.ca.gov when new information is available.

- Trained volunteers are not being utilized at this time, but an informational hotline has been established on 1 (800) 228 4544.
- At this time wildlife impacts are not known, but if you encounter an injured animal, do not approach it and call the Oiled Wildlife Care Network at (877) UCD-OWCN.
- A claims center has been established and it can be contacted on 1 (800) 249 2812.

## Note for editors:

The Unified Command consists of the US Coast Guard, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and Chevron.

The Joint Information Center can be contacted on 1 (800) MEDNEWS

Additional information is available at the incident information website:

www.outerpassageexerciseresponse.com

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## **Related Drill Links:**

U.S. Coast Guard California Office of Spill Prevention and Response

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