

PREASSESSMENT SCREENING OIL SPILL REPORT FORM

Date of Incident: December 19, 2020

Potential Liable Party: Terrence Lazzari

Product Spilled: Diesel/Marine Gas Oil, Lubricating Oil

Spill Source: PC Mirage (Recreational Vessel)

Oil Spill Size Estimate: 116 gallons total (100 gallons diesel fuel, 16 gallons lube oil)

Water Body Affected: Case Inlet

Ecology Region: SWRO

County: Mason

Nearest City: Hartstine Island

Location of Spill: Mid-channel

Cause: Structural Failure

Ecology Responder: Geoff Baran

Incident Summary: On Saturday, December 19, 2019, the 40-foot, fiberglass-hulled, P/C Mirage was transiting Case Inlet for maintenance in preparation for potential sale of the vessel. About three miles north of Zittle's Marina, off Wilson Point on Hartstine Island, the starboard engine began running strangely, smoking, and water began flooding the vessel near the starboard exhaust system. The vessel's bilge pumps were overwhelmed, and the vessel sank within about 10 minutes. The vessel owner made a distress call and escaped on the vessel's dinghy. A USCG Search & Rescue boat was patrolling nearby and responded to the scene. The vessel sank in about 200 feet of water, and diesel fuel was observed floating in the vicinity of the spill. The all of the oil aboard the vessel is presumed lost to Case Inlet. Initial estimates for the fuel aboard the vessel at the time of the sinking was 100 gallons of diesel fuel, and 16 gallons of motor oil. None of the oil was recovered.