Date of Incident: March 8, 2021
Product Spilled: Gasoline
Spill Source: Quiet Time (Recreational Vessel)
Oil Spill Size Estimate: 32 gallons
Water Body Affected: Puget Sound
Ecology Region: NWRO
County: Kitsap
Nearest City: Port Orchard
Location of Spill: Manchester Public Boat Launch
Cause: Electrical Failure
Ecology Responder: Robert Walls

Incident Summary:
Around 3/3/2021, the recently purchased P/C QUIET TIME was transiting the Puget Sound from Blake Island when it began taking on water. The USCG assisted by towing the vessel to the nearest safe harbor, the Manchester Public Boat Launch. Between 3/4 and 3/8, nearby neighbors observed someone removing batteries and electronics from the boat at night. By 3/8/2021, the P/C QUIET TIME sank at the Manchester Public Boat Launch. Local Water District personnel attempted to keep the vessel afloat with a small mechanical pump, but were unsuccessful. Ecology hired US Ecology with support of CRUX Diving to plug the vessel and remove the fuel. Contractors removed 150 gallons of oily water mixture from the vessel. Based on the size and color of the oil slick, Ecology estimates about 32 gallons of gasoline spilled. None of the spilled fuel was recovered within the first 24-hours.