ERTS# 711152
Date of Incident: 12/04/2021
Potential Liable Party: Patrick Brownd
Product Spilled: Diesel/Marine Gas Oil
Spill Source: Recreational Vessel
Oil Spill Size Estimate: 190 gallons
Water Body Affected: Fidalgo Bay
Ecology Region: NWRO
County: Skagit
Nearest City: Anacortes
Location of Spill: Cap Sante Marina
Cause: Judgment, Tidal Conditions
Ecology Responder: Madeline Fritzen

Incident Summary: On the evening of December 4, 2021, the P/C Destiny ran aground east of the entrance to the Cap Sante Marina in Anacortes. Ecology and the USCG responded, and the vessel owner's insurance agency hired TowBoatUS to plug the vents, deploy sorbents and refloat the vessel. TowBoatUS was unable to completely refloat the vessel, and towed the vessel to shallower water to continue dewatering. Despite attempting to plug the vents, the vessel continued to sheen throughout this time. On December 5, the insurance company hired Associated Underwater Services, LLC (AUS) to deploy hard boom around the vessel that evening. Initial attempts to dewater and salvage the vessel were unsuccessful. On December 6, TowBoatUS and Global Diving and Salvage applied more float bags to the vessel, providing enough buoyancy for the tow to the Pacific Marine Center haul out. PetroClean pumped out the tanks and remaining fluids and estimated that 80 gallons of diesel fuel was remaining in the tanks. The vessel had an estimated 270 gallons of diesel fuel aboard at the time of the incident. The missing 190 gallons of fuel apparently spilled to Fidalgo Bay.