

## PREASSESSMENT SCREENING OIL SPILL REPORT FORM

**ERTS#** 729923

**Date of Incident:** 03/30/2024

**Potential Liable Party:** Leah Gabrielle Peisner

**Product Spilled:** Diesel/Marine Gas Oil

**Spill Source:** Liveaboard tugboat (Recreational Vessel)

**Oil Spill Size Estimate:** 200 Gallons

**Water Body Affected:** Lake Union

**Ecology Region:** NWRO

**County:** King

**Nearest City:** Seattle

**Location of Spill:** Seattle Marina

**Cause:** Sinking/Loss Of Vessel

**Ecology Responder:** Agustina Cartagena-Mclean

**Incident Summary:** On March 30, 2024, A 45-foot houseboat (an ex-tug converted to a liveaboard) partially sank and discharged red-dye diesel at Seattle Marina on the northern shore of Lake Union. Marina staff and the Seattle PD marine unit surrounded the vessel with sorbents. USCG and Ecology responded and found impacts south to Gasworks Park and east across the channel to the eastern shore of Lake Union. Responders also received multiple reports of oiled wildlife and hired Focus Wildlife to conduct a broad assessment of the area. Focus Wildlife observed two Canada Geese with "bathtub rings" but otherwise appeared healthy, as well as a heavily-oiled mallard and coot, both of which Focus Wildlife was unable to capture. The vessel owner hired Global Diving and Salvage to remove pollution and the vessel. Global was able to recover 400 gallons of diesel from the vessel tank and estimate that 100 gallons were recovered from the water in sorbent materials. Ecology also hired Republic Services to fly a drone over the area to observe the extent of the sheen. Based on the appearance of the oil, responders estimate that around 100 gallons remained unrecoverable in the lake. However, Ecology will conduct further calculations based on follow-up investigations to determine a more accurate final estimate.