

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
POLLUTION/SITUATION REPORT
Lake View Boat - Removal Polrep



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
Region IV

Subject: POLREP #2
Progress
Lake View Boat

Buford, GA
Latitude: 34.1583381 Longitude: -84.0280724

To:
From: Jordan Garrard, On-Scene Coordinator
Date: 6/20/2011
Reporting Period:

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

Site Number:	Contract Number:
D.O. Number:	Action Memo Date:
Response Authority: OPA	Response Type: Emergency
Response Lead: PRP	Incident Category: Removal Assessment
NPL Status: Non NPL	Operable Unit:
Mobilization Date: 4/29/2011	Start Date:
Demob Date:	Completion Date:
CERCLIS ID:	RCRIS ID:
ERNS No.: NO ERNS	State Notification:
FPN#:	Reimbursable Account #:

1.1.1 Incident Category

EPA Region 4 Telephone Duty Officer was notified of a submerged boat releasing fuel into Lake Lanier. The notification came from Gwinnett Water Resources, who was notified by a property owner adjacent to the submerged craft. Gwinnett Water Resources also contacted the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GaEPD), who was unable to assist in the response efforts. Duty Officer dispatched responder to assess the situation and determine appropriate response actions.

1.1.2 Site Description

A sunken private boat was reported to be releasing fuel in a small cove on Lake Lanier. The boat was described to be approximately 35 feet long, wooden hulled, cabin cruiser. It is estimated to hold approximately 250 gallons of fuel. Sheen has been observed around the area of the sunken boat.

1.1.2.1 Location

Lakeview Drive, Buford, Ga. A residential neighborhood on Lake Lanier.

1.1.2.2 Description of Threat

Sunken boat releasing fuel to the surface of Lake Lanier. A sunken boat is approximately 35 feet long, wooden hulled cabin cruiser. It is estimated to hold approximately 250 gallons of fuel.

1.1.3 Preliminary Removal Assessment/Removal Site Inspection Results

On April, 29th 2011, OSC Garrard arrived on scene to investigate and speak with the boat owner. The owner was not home. OSC Garrard spoke with the reporting party and was able look at the area in which the boat was sunken from the distance. The boat was completely submerged. No sheen was visible in the cove, but OSC Garrard was not able to investigate at the submerged site to determine if the sunken boat was releasing fuel.

2. Current Activities

2.1 Operations Section

2.1.1 Narrative

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OSC Garrard spoke with the US Army Core of Engineers (USACE) Park Rangers concerning the sunken vessel. The USACE has been working with the boat owner to remove the boat from the water.

USACE enforcement actions for the boat removal have stalled. A Notice of Federal Interest was mailed to the property owner on June 13, 2011. OSC Garrard has spoken with the property owner and he stated he was awaiting permission from the bankruptcy courts to spend funds for the boat removal.

2.1.2 Response Actions to Date

2.1.3 Enforcement Activities, Identity of Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs)

John Owens

2.1.4 Progress Metrics

<i>Waste Stream</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Manifest #</i>	<i>Treatment</i>	<i>Disposal</i>

2.2 Planning Section

2.2.1 Anticipated Activities

OSC Garrard will continue to coordinate with the USACE Park Rangers / and property owner for the removal of the boat.

2.2.1.1 Planned Response Activities

If the property owner fails to remove the sunken boat, the EPA OSC will remove the boat from the water and drain remaining oils from the boat.

2.2.1.2 Next Steps

2.2.2 Issues

2.3 Logistics Section

No information available at this time.

2.4 Finance Section

No information available at this time.

2.5 Other Command Staff

No information available at this time.

3. Participating Entities

3.1 Unified Command

3.2 Cooperating Agencies

United States Army Core of Engineers (USACE)

4. Personnel On Site

Jordan Garrard, EPA OSC

5. Definition of Terms

No information available at this time.

6. Additional sources of information

No information available at this time.

7. Situational Reference Materials

No information available at this time.