

**United States Environmental Protection Agency  
Region X  
POLLUTION REPORT**

**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2008

**From:** Earl Liverman

**Subject:** Final POLREP

Coeur d'Alene River Excavator  
Harrison Bridge, Harrison, ID  
Latitude: 47.4653000  
Longitude: -116.7681000

<b>POLREP No.:</b>	1	<b>Site #:</b>	
<b>Reporting Period:</b>		<b>D.O. #:</b>	
<b>Start Date:</b>	1/18/2008	<b>Response Authority:</b>	CERCLA
<b>Mob Date:</b>	1/17/2008	<b>Response Type:</b>	Emergency
<b>Demob Date:</b>	1/18/2008	<b>NPL Status:</b>	Non NPL
<b>Completion Date:</b>	1/8/2008	<b>Incident Category:</b>	Removal Action
<b>CERCLIS ID #:</b>		<b>Contract #</b>	
<b>RCRIS ID #:</b>			

**Site Description**

On the afternoon of 14 January 2008, a mid-sized excavator was being loaded onto a barge as part of the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) Harrison Bridge construction project. The State Highway 97 bridge project is located near Harrison, Idaho. One of several barge mooring lines gave way causing the barge to move before the excavator had been secured. The excavator slid off the barge into the Coeur d'Alene River. The effected river segment is found within the Coeur d'Alene Basin Superfund Site.

**Current Activities**

None.

**Planned Removal Actions**

EPA, along with the US Fish and Wildlife Service and the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality met on several occasions with ITD to develop a recovery work plan, including erosion and sediment control best management practices, a contingency plan for fuel release, and a mine waste contaminated equipment decontamination and sediment disposal plan.

The recovery plan was implemented on the morning of 18 January 2008 without incident.

**Next Steps**

None.

**Key Issues**

Decontamination and disposal of mine waste contaminated sediments.0

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