USEPA Oil Program

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Major Oil Program Areas.

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   - **Prevention**
     - SPCC and FRP Inspections
     - Outreach/Compliance Assistance
   - **Planning/Preparedness**
     - FRP Drills/Exercises
     - Contingency Planning
     - Cross Training with locals, State and contractor personnel eg (Boom Training)
   - **Response**
     - Incident Command Structure
     - Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund
Mission Statement

- The mission of the Region 10 Oil Program is to promote and maintain an Oil Spill preparedness, prevention, response, enforcement, and compliance assistance capability that will result in:

  - a reduction of oil spills reaching waters of the United States.
Authority

- **Clean Water Act §311**
  - Oil Pollution Prevention Regulations (SPCC)
  - January 10, 1974
- **SPCC and FRP Regulations**
  - 40 C.F.R. §112
- **Oil Pollution Act 1990**
  - Amended CWA §311
  - August 18, 1990
- **National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP)**
  - 40 C.F.R. §300
$150 Thousand

1. Prevention
   - SPCC Inspections and Enforcement
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2. Planning/ Preparedness
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$1.2 Million (average)

1. Response
   - Emergency Response and Removal Actions
   - Funding of State Actions
PREVENTION:

- Most effective method of protection is the actual prevention of spills.
- Least costly to industry and the government.
- Oil spill prevention achieved through compliance assistance and enforcement of the oil regulations (SPCC and FRP inspections).
Prevention: How many facilities are regulated by the SPCC regulations?

- There are tens-of-thousands of facilities for which the SPCC rules apply.
- However, SPCC facilities are not required to register and EPA does not have a comprehensive list of facilities like the UST program.
**Prevention: How many SPCC Inspections are completed annually in R10?**

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**Prevention:** What authority do states have under SPCC regulations?

- **NONE**
  - The CWA does not permit EPA to delegate the SPCC program to the states

- **However:**
  - A number of states have established state-authorized oil spill prevention programs.
After prevention, **planning and preparedness** are the next most effective methods of protecting human health and the environment.

- Both help to assure a timely, cost effective and appropriate response to spills, by:
  1. Identifying BMP’s and
  2. The resources needed prior to a response.
Planning & Preparedness: Activities Cross-Training with local, state and contractor personnel.

Bobcat front end loader hit side of 35,000 barrel capacity tank causing rupture and release.
Oil Response Detroit Lake, Oregon (Dec 2002)
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