



**Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council**  
**General Restoration, Habitat Enhancement, Habitat Protection, and Facilities Projects**  
**Quarterly Project Reporting Form**

**Project Number:** 18180119 and 20180119

**Project Title:** EVOS Outreach 2018 and EVOS Outreach 2020

**Principal Investigator(s):** Shawna Popovici; Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation (DPOR) I&E Unit Manager

**Reporting Periods and Due Dates:**

<i>Reporting Period</i>	<i>Due Date</i>
February, March, April	June 1
May, June, July	September 1
August, September, October	December 1
November, December, January	March 1

**Submission Date:** June 1, 2023

**Project Website:** NA

Please check all the boxes that apply to the current reporting period.

**Project progress is on schedule.**

In this project reporting period [February 2023 to April 2023], DPOR received outreach project priorities from EVOSTC staff identifying Buskin River Nature Trail and Clam Gulch SRA as the top two priority projects to complete.

Although project planning for both Buskin and Clam Gulch projects was initially delayed due to staff turnover at KNWR and ADF&G, these projects remain on schedule for completion by end of year.

**Project progress is delayed**

**Budget reallocation request.**

**Personnel changes.**



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**1. Summary of Work Performed:** In this reporting period, DPOR's I&E Unit Manager attended project planning and scope meetings with KNWR and ADF&G. Project timelines and deadlines were identified. Initial research and interpretive write-ups will happen over the summer, while design through fabrication will happen in fall, with panels being delivered to each site for each project in December 2023.

- In March and April, DPOR reached out to Kodiak NWR (KNWR) Staff and solidified support for the Buskin River Nature Trail. DPOR and KNWR staff reviewed the site and began planning scope of the project. An initial site visit is planned for June 2023. KNWR identified Natalie Fath as key contact for this project.
  - In April, DPOR met with Sue Rodman, new ADF&G Refuge Program Manager. ADF&G identified key project leads and will schedule field staff (SME) interviews in the next quarter.
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**2. Abstract:** This project implements interpretive services for EVOSTC. The goal is to enhance EVOSTC's public outreach, educating the public about the Exxon Valdez oil spill event, its lasting impacts to the state, and achievements to mitigate those impacts on spill-affected habitats, species, and services.

The goal of interpretive media is to provide meaningful connections to a resource, creating opportunities for and developing stewardship. As time passes since the Spill, building a new generation of stewards and fostering an understanding of that critical event in Alaska history and the work of the Council is vital.

Initial project scope included three tasks.

- The first developed a film with a brief history of the spill, the inception of the Council, and its work over the last 30 years.
- The second created a traveling exhibit consisting of pop-up banners for use at public events and presentations with general information about the spill, the Council, and its work.
- The third developed three interpretive displays highlighting habitat enhancement and restoration projects that were installed on EVOSTC habitat enhancement sites (Dimond Creek/Homer, Mineral Creek/Valdez, and Eshamy Bay future PUC/Prince William Sound.).

Remaining priority projects identified are:

- Priority #1: Buskin River Nature Trail Interpretation Project
  - Priority #2: Clam Gulch SRA Interpretation Project
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### **3. Coordination and Collaboration:**

As the projects were initially discussed with partners in 2021, Shawna Popovici (DPOR) notified both the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge (KNWR) and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) to discuss moving forward with their priority projects. This quarter, each partner approved moving forward with implementing their projects and identified key contacts on the project.

With only initial meetings being held, only minor costs were incurred in this reporting period.

Initial meetings with partners discussed project scope, coordination, key contacts, and project timelines. The next reporting period will contain more detailed project information regarding field visits and drafting initial project write-ups.

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### **4. Response to EVOSTC Review, Recommendations, and Comments:**

Priority projects were set by EVOSTC in Fall of 2022. Remaining scope was to work with council staff to identify and implement priority interpretive projects. Depending on the priority listing, potentially two or three priority projects can be funded with remaining Outreach funds. EVOSTC outlined the top four priority projects:

- Priority #1: Buskin River Nature Trail
- Priority #2: Clam Gulch SRA
- Priority #3: Anchor River's Halibut Campground
- Priority #4: Diamond Creek SRA

With the project funding remaining, DPOR will move forward to implement the top two priority projects. The 2018 funds will be expended first, and the projects will roll into the 2020 Outreach funding.

EVOSTC staff will be asked to review initial interpretive write-ups in late summer 2023 for input and early edits.

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**5. Budget:** Total balance remaining from both allocations of funding is \$67,827.41. There is no anticipated funding to remain after the completion of the project. The project completion date is scheduled for December 31, 2023.

<b>Location/Site:</b>	EVOS Outreach 2018
<b>Approved Budget (w/o GA):</b>	\$45,030.47 ( <i>Task 78YN was set up with the remaining funds from original \$129,094.00 allocation</i> )
<b>Amount Spent:</b>	\$22,032.05
<b>Remaining Balance:</b>	\$22,998.42
<b>Anticipated Completion Date:</b>	October 2023 *this code will be used up first.
<b>Location/Site:</b>	EVOS Outreach 2020
<b>Approved Budget (w/o GA):</b>	\$45,000.00
<b>Amount Spent:</b>	\$ 0.00
<b>Remaining Balance:</b>	\$ 45,000.00
<b>Anticipated Completion Date:</b>	December 31, 2023

2023					2023 Total	Grand Total
Qtr1	Qtr1 Total	Qtr2	Qtr2 Total			
Mar		Apr	May			
1345.9	1345.9	264.34	174.01	438.35	1784.25	22206.06
1345.9	1345.9	264.34	174.01	438.35	1784.25	22206.06
1345.9	1345.9	264.34	174.01	438.35	1784.25	19301.33
						390
						209.71
						2305.02
1345.9	1345.9	264.34	174.01	438.35	1784.25	22206.06
						*not to report until Q3 report
						22206.06
						-174.01 May 2023 Q3 Expense
						22032.05 Total Expended through April 2023
						45,030.47 Original Task 78YN
						-22,032.05 Total Expended through April 2023
						22,998.42 2018 Outreach Remaining Balance
						22,998.42 2018 Outreach Funds Remaining
						45,000.00 2020 Outreach Funding
						67,998.42 Total Outreach Funds Remaining