



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

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**Project Number:** 23220502

**Project Title:** Clean Water Act Assessment of Beaches with Lingering Oil

**Principal Investigator(s):** Terri Lomax, ADEC Water Quality Program Manager

**Reporting Periods and Due Dates:** May, June, July 2023

<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:** Sept 8, 2023

**Project Website:** In development

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

**Project progress is on schedule.**

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**Project progress is delayed**

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**Budget reallocation request for this reporting period.**

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**Personnel changes.**

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## 1. Summary of Work Performed:

During the reporting period a contract was solicited and awarded to conduct a literature review, complete an annotated bibliography, and compile an ArcGIS webmap of project relevant data. The contractor GeoSyntec was selected. A kick-off meeting was held with the contractor on July 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **Objective #1 Identifying waters of concern.**

Task A. Identify Waters of Concern.

Status: Ongoing. A contract was awarded to Geosyntec in early July. The purpose of the contract is to review recent data and science surrounding lingering oil in Prince William. The objectives are to conduct a literature review and provide a summary of the following:

- 1) which beaches impacted by the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill (EVOS) still have lingering oil, and
- 2) what resources and data are available that could be used to evaluate the degree and effects of residual crude oil.

Through the contract deliverables and tasks were identified. DEC included interviews with technical and traditional knowledge experts to guide the literature review and identify data sources of interest to the public that will be used during later stages of the grant. A summary of the contract deliverables is below.

#### **Contract Deliverables Summary**

	<b>Due Date</b>
Kick-off meeting and meeting notes (Microsoft Word format)	July 10, 2023
Notes from interviews; progress update meeting notes (Microsoft Word format)	Bi-weekly or as needed
A preliminary report with an annotated bibliography and GIS map(s) for DEC review; Present preliminary findings to DEC (Microsoft Word and ArcGIS formats)	September 30, 2023
Revised draft report with an annotated bibliography and GIS map(s) for DEC review (Microsoft Word and ArcGIS formats)	October 15, 2023
Final deliverables due (Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) and ArcGIS formats)	December 31, 2023
Project end	December 31, 2023

Task B. Develop a set of standards suitable to gauge recovery and compliance with water quality standards.

Status: No work to report on this Objective/Task.

Task C. Compile available information regarding impaired waters

Status: No work to report on this Objective/Task.



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Task D. Develop GIS map

Status: No work to report on this Objective/Task.

**Objective #2 Updating Clean Water Act status of impaired beaches.**

Task A. Develop listing methodology.

Status: No work to report on this Objective/Task.

Task B. Evaluate Data.

Status: No work to report on this Objective/Task.

**Objective 3. Stakeholder Involvement during this reporting period.**

Task A. Communication Plan.

Status: Ongoing. As part of the contract implemented during this reporting period, DEC included interviews with technical or traditional knowledge experts to guide the literature review and ensure DEC takes multiple uses of waters into consideration.

Task B. Public Engagement.

Status: Ongoing. DEC provided an overview of the EVOS award and goals at the Prince William Sound Natural History Symposium on May 16, 2023. A sign-up sheet for a EVOS listserv to communicate updates was distributed.

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**2. Abstract:**

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) initiated the Clean Water Act Assessment of Beaches with Lingering Oil grant in February 2023. Activities around this reporting period centered around development of a contract to conduct a literature review and compile relevant data, as well as initial public outreach.

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**3. Coordination and Collaboration:**

Coordination and collaboration has begun through the technical and traditional knowledge expert interviews that were conducted by the contractor. In this way experts have been able to guide the information gathering stage of the project

DEC is developing a listserv to reach out to interested members of the public. Project updates and opportunities for engagement will be noticed here in addition to the usual channels for public engagement.



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We are developing a DEC webpage dedicated to this EVOS project and as a landing page for maps, documents, and any public surveys we develop.

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

N/A

**5. Budget:** Amended as of December 1, 2023 to reflect corrected General Administration charges.

Budget Category:		Proposed FY 22	Proposed FY 23	Proposed FY 24	Proposed FY 25	Proposed FY 26	5- YR TOTAL PROPOSED	QUARTERLY EXPENDITURES	ACTUAL CUMULATIVE
Personnel		\$0	\$43,902	\$79,441	\$95,584	\$51,032	\$269,959	\$14,031	\$36,327
Travel		\$0	\$4,080	\$6,640	\$6,640	\$6,640	\$24,000	\$0	\$0
Contractual		\$0	\$14,500	\$65,000	\$68,000	\$0	\$147,500	\$0	\$0
Commodities		\$0	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$0	\$2,250	\$0	\$0
Equipment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Indirect Costs	Rate = 0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$63,232</b>	<b>\$151,831</b>	<b>\$170,974</b>	<b>\$57,672</b>	<b>\$443,709</b>	<b>\$14,031</b>	<b>\$36,327</b>
General Administration (9% of subtotal)		\$0	\$5,691	\$13,665	\$15,388	\$5,191	\$39,934	\$1,263	\$3,270
<b>PROJECT TOTAL</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$68,923</b>	<b>\$165,496</b>	<b>\$186,361</b>	<b>\$62,863</b>	<b>\$483,643</b>	<b>\$15,294</b>	<b>\$39,597</b>
Other Resources (In-Kind Funds)			\$6,624	\$6,823	\$7,027	\$7,238	\$27,712	\$201	\$201