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Sent: 7/2/2021 8:06:36 PM
To: McCracken, Betsy W. [mccracken.betsy@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Update 2: Wild Alaskan scuttle

Definately. My cell is Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Please feel free to call me anytime.
v/r,
Mike

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Sent: Friday, July 2, 2021 12:05 PM
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Subject: RE: Update 2: Wild Alaskan scuttle

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Hi Mike,

Is there a phone number I can reach you at this afternoon to give you a quick update from EPA's side?

Thank you,
Betsy

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All,

With the 4th of July holiday closing in just wanted to provide an update. Good news is there are no changes since the last update. Still looking to launch the boat on the 6th from the shipyard, prep the vessel on the 7th and tow on the 8th (weather pending). The morning of the 6th I am anticipating sending out the 48 hour notice but just in case people may not be in the office on Tuesday they at least get the info today.

For the 6th we plan to meet at the shipyard at 0830 and anticipate the vessel being in the water around 1030 or 1100. This will be the time for preliminary inspection of underwater spaces by both the City and Coast Guard. Prior to the vessel being allowed to float, a full leak check will be completed to verify watertight integrity. If all looks good and the Coast Guard agrees, we will place the vessel alongside the Mak Bay and begin preparation of the vessel for the tow.

Many preparations are needed such as filling tanks with water to improve stability, place generators for pumps and lights (if needed), as well performing a walk thru of the operation.

For the 8th we are assuming an early morning daily light departure. More details will be forwarded in the official 48 hours notification and definitely in the 12 hour notification emails and phone calls.

Thank you all and I wish you a happy and safe Fourth of July celebration. I'll be updating everyone Tuesday morning for the official 48 hour notification. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.
v/r,
Mike

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Subject: RE: Update 1: Wild Alaskan scuttle

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Good morning, Mike,

Thank you for the updates and continued tracking timeline for the scuttling of the Wild Alaskan.

We appreciate the plan for the 48-hour notification (early and within 48-hours), as well as the 12-hour notification.

Just a reminder that pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 229.3(a)(8), the 12-hour notification must include:

- the proposed departure time and place,
- disposal site location (coordinates),
- estimated time of arrival on site, and
- the name and communication capability of the towing vessel.

This is information is also stated in EPA's approval letter for the scuttling of the Wild Alaskan.

We will hope for good weather.

Thanks very much,
Betsy

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All,
Looking to send updates to keep everyone on the same page as we move forward with the scuttling. One change to the schedule. Many folks have things planned for July 5th as that is the observed day for the 4th. So to accommodate everyone and allow them to celebrate our independence we will be shifting the schedule to the right one day. So now it's launch July 6, vessel prep July 7 and tow/scuttle July 8th. Again this is all weather dependent but will be good to plan around.
I'm still anticipating sending an early 48 hour notification on Thursday this week followed by the actual 48 hour notification on Tuesday and the 12 hour notification on Wednesday afternoon. Please let me know if you have any questions.
Safety is the primary concern with this evolution, so even though I'm excited like a kid on Christmas Eve, we will pause the evolution for any safety issue. Please let me know if you need anything from me.
v/r,
Mike

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Betsy,
Not a problem. I'll work on getting one out late Thurs next week. Just in case someone wants to make a 4 day vacation out of it.

v/r,
Mike

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Hi Mike,

Thank you for the timeline updates.

If possible, given the scuttling is lining up close to the 4th of July holiday, we'd appreciate a schedule update just prior to the holiday to ensure POCs are available to receive final (48-hour and 12-hour) notifications of progress.

Thanks very much,
Betsy

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All,
The City of Kodiak really appreciates all of your hard work is getting us near the goal line. There is still plenty of things to fall into place and here is a timeline that we are planning now.

July 6: launch Wild Alaskan. During this launch we will be evaluating watertight integrity of the hull. If there are any issues we will immediately take the vessel out of the water and report/correct necessary repairs. We talked with the local CG and they want to be on scene during the launch which will be great. If all goes well we will take the Wild Alaskan and tie it up alongside our tow vessel on the 6th. We would also make our 48 hour notification to the EPA, CG, COTP and Navy.

July 7th: Do final walk through of the scuttle plan to make sure all personnel are clear. We will also fill the tanks needed as ballast for the trip to the scuttle location. In the evening we would make the 12 hour notification.

July 8th: The Wild Alaskan would be towed to its final location.

This is all weather dependent as we don't want to endanger the towed or towing vessel during this operation.

Following the evolution I will be contacting both NOAA and EPA providing them the necessary reports.

Like I said, still a lot to do between then and now but thank you all for your help and support for the City of Kodiak during this process. Betsy and Andy, please let me know if I'm missing anything as there is only one shot and I'm trying to make it as perfect as I can.

v/r,
Mike

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Mr. Tvenge, Mr. Sarnowski, Mr. McAfee-

Please see the attached letter from EPA regarding the *Wild Alaskan*.

As stated in the attached letter, please note the:

- notification requirements 48-hour and 24-hour prior to the intended departure of the *Wild Alaskan* from the vessel's current location to the offshore disposal location.
- 48- hour notification requirement to the three US Navy emails listed as well.
- Post- scuttling reporting requirements to NOAA (see letter for contact information) and EPA (Betsy McCracken).

We appreciate the coordination and cooperation between EPA, NMFS, FWS, ADF&G, ADEC and the U.S. Coast Guard during the approval process for the scuttling of the *Wild Alaskan*.

Please reach out with any questions. EPA would greatly appreciate receiving photos and video of the scuttling, and any other noteworthy observations.

Thank you,
Betsy

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