

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

WCSS is pleased to welcome Jamie Kereliuk, Director of Emergency Management at Trans Mountain Pipeline, as our new Chair of the Board of Directors. Jamie brings with him a wealth of experience and commitment to excellence and we look forward to his leadership on the Board.

CAPP will soon be nominating a replacement for the remaining vacant Board position following Lois Garrett's retirement.

A current look at our Board of Directors:

Jamie Kereliuk – Trans Mountain	Chair / Pipelines
Greg Carter – Enbridge	Pipelines
Lorne Schmidt – Tidewater Midstream	Coops
Michael Rakus – Cequence Energy	Independent
Jonathan Schindlbeck – Suncor Energy	CAPP
Tara Payment – CAPP	CAPP

The planned Operational Assessment of WCSS is underway by Ridgeline Response, in order to identify any potential gaps in equipment locations, types or quantities that may exist. A summary of the assessment and any recommendations will be presented at the Annual Chairmen's Meeting in November 2019.

## ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

WCSS will often receive phone calls and emails inquiring about contact information as part of an update process to company Emergency Response Plans. Frequently, the communication will lead to a need to clarify the role of WCSS. While the management team and our volunteers pride ourselves on the ability to generate a large presence when equipment is required by our member companies, we feel it is important to highlight the fact that what we are providing is equipment, not response personnel. Here are a few key points to discuss at your next safety meeting, or with your ERP planners and consultants:

1. The [Oil Spill Contingency Manual](#) is a tool that WCSS maintains on your company's behalf, and is supplemental to your internal ERP. It is full of checklists, procedures and reference material. Depending on your Area of Operations, you may require multiple sets of [maps and control points](#) for pre-planning or response planning purposes. Note that the Critical Control Points are reviewed every 3 years and may change; they are highlighted in yellow and may be printed from the [Abacus link](#).

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2. Occasionally, if a company does not have internal [WCSS-Certified Boat Operators](#), we may assist in identifying potential operators that we sponsor for this very reason. However, it is important to be aware that these operators are not on call and may not be available at the time of your spill.

WCSS maintains 26 jet boats including single and twin engine barges, and 3 airboats that may be accessed by signing the [Equipment Lease Agreement](#).



3. Various [response equipment](#) is stored and maintained on your behalf in 36 locations throughout our jurisdictional area. Some of the custodians may be able to assist with transportation of the equipment, but it is understood that most of our member companies will use whichever transportation companies they prefer. For this reason, WCSS may assist with mobilizing the equipment, but the expectation is that the Responsible Party will work with their Logistics group to access the equipment as they need it. Be aware that there is an [Equipment Release Form](#) that will need to be completed by the equipment custodian and the individual picking up the equipment, prior to anything leaving the yard.



We would like to encourage you to initiate a discussion with your ERP provider to ensure that the function of WCSS is clearly outlined and understood. A great way to shape the discussion is by reviewing our [Frequently Asked Questions](#).

Still not quite sure where to begin? No problem. Consider using the [WCSS Orientation Presentation](#) as a prompt!

## EQUIPMENT

Following the theft of one of the two trailers near Turner Valley in Area Q, an opportunity to combine equipment and remove the requirement to maintain 2 trailers was revealed. The existing trailer has been restocked and replaced in the custodian's yard, and is now back in service.



WCSS is the proud owner of a new workboat with the highly anticipated BRP-Rotax 4-stroke engine. Initial testing of the boat has shown it to be very responsive and capable!

Boat Shelter construction is nearing completion and expected to be distributed to Areas [C](#), [I](#) and [Y](#) in the next few weeks.

We are happy to introduce the new [Live Equipment Report](#), available on our website. The interactive map will allow users to select the area where they would like to know more about equipment, over and above the comprehensive list provided below the map. These inventories are printable, revised on a regular basis and can serve as a great reference tool for any companies that may wish to outfit their own initial response units a little closer to their operations. Compatibility with WCSS equipment will be instrumental in any spill response.

## TRAINING

After our busiest winter season for coop exercises, we have just completed our busiest open registration season for Boat Handling yet. Within 60 days, our instructors and operations team have been putting their best foot forward to deliver:

- 1 x ICS 200
- 7 x Marine Emergency Duties (MED) A3
- 3 x 3-day Boat Handling
- 3 x 1-day Boat Handling Recertifications
- 2 x Barge Operations courses
- 3 x Coop Exercises

After a brief respite, our instructors will be on the road once more heading towards various [Coop Exercises](#) and more of our [Spill Responder Series](#). We do still have a few spots left in Spill Responders 200, 400 and 500. Please contact Leona at (587) 393-9620 to register today!

## **VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION**

As some of you may be aware, Coop Area Steering Committees P, Q and S have been working collaboratively as a Zone Committee with the intention of creating more efficiencies for member companies, particularly for those who have operations that cross over these borders. This year, the committee agreed to hold 2 Lake Exercises on June 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, allowing any member company from Areas P, Q or S to attend either day.

This strategy is being explored by the committee to keep associated mobilization costs for member companies down, as it allows for us to keep resources in the same place rather than mobilize up to three times in a year. It also strengthens and clearly defines the level of team commitment between Coops. The same strategy has been applied in Zone 3, where Coops G and I/J are able to combine and streamline their collective forces.



At the helm of the Zone Committee, Gary Lobdell has been an exemplary volunteer. His calm demeanor and tireless efforts to identify the right exercise location have been thoroughly appreciated!

**Companies Represented:** Husky Energy, Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.

**Number of Years Volunteer Service:** 13

**Positions Held:** Area S Steering Committee, Area S Alternate Chairman, Area S Chairman, Zone 1 Chairman

**Reason for Volunteering:** I wanted to make sure I knew what to do in case of a spill; interested in boat handling. This has been a good way to get involved and learn more.

Serving as one of the Alternate Chairmen for the Zone 1 Committee, Mike Peacock has generously offered his time and expertise since he became aware that Area Q was in need of some representation.

**Companies Represented:** Crescent Point Energy

**Number of Years Volunteer Service:** 2

**Positions Held:** Area Q Chairman, Zone 1 Alternate Chairman

**Reason for Volunteering:** To become more familiar with oil spill exercises and the equipment that we have access to in the event of a release. We operate enough pipelines that cross waterbodies and are identified as high risk that I see this as a viable experience to have a clear understanding of where the resources are and how to use them.

