vironments and from the scientific literature.

**Introduction**

Preassessment surveys of intertidal, subtidal, and anadromous stream habitats, and associated fauna and flora were conducted in two time periods. In December 2004-January 2005, NOAA staff conducted preliminary field surveys of intertidal shores, subtidal habitats, and freshwater streams on Unalaska Island, in the area affected by the *Selendang Ayu* oil spill. These winter surveys mainly focused on documenting patterns of habitat oiling. Short day lengths, high daytime tides, and adverse weather conditions limited the observations that could be made of biota in these habitats. In June 2005, NOAA teams returned to the spill area during a series of extreme low tides to specifically conduct a second set of preassessment surveys of the biota in intertidal, subtidal, and anadromous stream habitats. Observations made during these surveys are presented below.

**Description of the *Selendang Ayu* Oil Spill**

On 8 December 2004, the *Selendang Ayu* grounded and broke in half on Spray Cape, Unalaska Island, 53o 38’ 04” N, 167o 07’ 30” W (Figure 1). An estimated 335,732 gallons of fuels, mostly Intermediate Fuel Oil (IFO 380), were released following the grounding. Additional information about the incident is available at the Unified Command Website for the *Selendang Ayu* incident:

http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/perp/response/sum\_fy05/041207201/041207201\_index.htm.

The Unified Command for the *Selendang Ayu* oil spill divided the 469 miles of shoreline in the potentially spill-affected area into 806 segments (Figure 2). Of these, 123 segments (70 miles) received enough oil somewhere in the segment to require oil clean-up treatment. The sum total of the length of oiled shoreline within all these segments was over 20 miles. One hundred and two of the oiled segments were actually approved for clean-up operations. Primarily because of safety concerns for the cleanup personnel, the remaining 21 segments were not treated.















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| **Date** | **Segment** | **Date** | **Segment** |
| 6/2/2005 | ALM 8 | 6/9/052 | UDE3 |
|  | ALM 7 |  | UDE1 |
|  | ALM 6 |  | VLC9 |
|  | ALM10 |  | VLC10 |
|  | CFS 19 |  |  |
|  | CFS 20 | 6/19/2005 | SKN 3 |
| 6/3/2005 | KMK 30 |  | SKN 4 |
|  | PMS 7 |  | SKN 7 |
|  | PMS 10 |  | SKN 6 |
| 6/4/2005 | SPR 11 |  | PMS 16 |
|  | SPR12 | 6/20/2005 | HMP 12 |
|  | SKS 4 |  | HMP 9 |
|  | SKS 6 |  | PTN 3 |
| 6/5/2005 | CNB9 |  | PTS 11 |
|  | CNB10 | 6/21/2005 | MKS 4 |
|  | PTN2 |  | MKS 5 |
|  | PTN3 |  | MKS 6 |
| 6/6/2005 | HMP7 |  | SPR 2 |
|  | HMP6 |  | SPR 3 |
|  | HMP10 |  | UDW 1 |
|  | HMP11 | 6/22/2005 | SKN 14 |
|  | HMP5 |  | SKN 10 |
| 6/7/2005 | SKN8 |  | SKN 11 |
|  | SKN9 |  | SKN 7 |
|  | SKN11 |  | PMS 20 |
|  | SKN12 | 6/23/2005 | HMP 11 |
|  | SKN14 |  | HMP 13 |
|  | SKN15 |  |  |
| 6/8/2005 | SKS 18 |  |  |
|  | SKS 14 |  |  |
|  | SKS 15 |  |  |
|  | SKS 16 |  |  |
|  | SKS 17 |  |  |

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| **Invertebrates** | **Common name category** |
| *Henricia* | starfish |
| *Katharina* | chiton |
| *Littorina* *sitkana* | snail |
| *Lottia digitalis* | limpet |
| *Lottia pelta* | limpet |
| *Nucella emarginata* | snail |
| *Calliostoma ligatum.* | snail |
| *Balanus glandula* | barnacle |
| *Semibalanus cariosus* | barnacle |
| *Mytilus trossulus* | mussel |
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| **Marine algae** |  |
| *Laminaria* | kelp |
| *Alaria* | kelp |
| *Cymathere* | kelp |
| *Fucus* | rockweed |
| *Hedophyllum* | kelp |
| *Neorhodomela larix* | red alga |
| *Petrocelis* | tar-spot alga |
| *Agarum (or* possibly *Thalassiophyllum)* | kelp |
| The individuals of these species were large enough that they were probably present in the spill area before 8 December 2004, when the *Selendang Ayu* wrecked at Spray Cape. | |

| **SEGMENT NAME** | **WINTER OILING CAT.** | **SPRING OILING CAT.** | **SPRING**  **CLEAN-UP?** | **MANUAL CLEAN-UP** | **MECH. REMOVAL** | **MECH. TILL** | **BERM RELOC-ATION** | **OPEN BURN** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ALM03 | NOO | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| ALM09 | NOO | MODERATE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| AND01 | LIGHT | LIGHT | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| AND06 | LIGHT | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| AND07 | NOO | HEAVY | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| AND08 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| ASP07 | NOO | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| ASP14 | NOO | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| ASP15 | NOO | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| ASP16 | NOO | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| BCK07 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| BCK09 | HEAVY | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| BCK11 |  | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| CBE21 | HEAVY | NOO | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| CNB01 | NOO | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| CNB10 | NOO | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| CNB11 | NOO | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| CNB14 | NOO | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| CNB15 | NOO | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| CNB17 | NOO | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| CNB19 | MODERATE | LIGHT | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| CNB20 | MODERATE | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| CNB21 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| HMP02 | NOO | HEAVY | YES |  |  |  |  |  |
| HMP03 | NOO | HEAVY | YES |  |  |  |  |  |
| HMP05 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| HMP06 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| HMP07 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X | X | X |  |  |
| HMP08 | HEAVY | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| HMP10 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| HMP11 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X | X | X |  | X |
| HMP12 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X | X | X | X |  |
| HMP13 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KFP01 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KFP02 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KFP03 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KFP04 | NOO | VERY LIGHT | X | X |  |  |  |  |
| KFP05 | LIGHT | VERY LIGHT | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| KFP07 | LIGHT | VERY LIGHT | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| KFP08 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  | X |
| KFP09 | MODERATE | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KFP10 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KMK02 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KMK06 | MODERATE | MODERATE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| KMK07 | MODERATE | HEAVY | YES | X |  | X |  |  |
| KMK08 | HEAVY | NOO | NO |  |  |  |  |  |
| KMK09 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KMK11 | HEAVY | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KMK15 | NOO | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KMK26 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KMK27 | MODERATE | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KMK28 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KMK29 | HEAVY | LIGHT | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| KMK30 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KMK32 | NOO | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KSB01 | NOO | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KSB02 | MODERATE | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KSB03 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KSB08 | MODERATE | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KSB10 | HEAVY | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KSB15 | NOO | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| KTS19 |  | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| MKS01 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X | X | X |  | X |
| MKS02 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X | X | X |  |  |
| MKS03 | HEAVY | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| MKS04 | HEAVY | NOO | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| MKS05 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| MKS06 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| MKS07 | LIGHT | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| MKS08 | LIGHT | NOO | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| MKS09 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| MKS10 | HEAVY | NOO | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| MKS11 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| MKS12 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| **MKS13** | NOO | HEAVY | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| **MKS14** | NOO | HEAVY | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| **MKS15** | NOO | HEAVY | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| **MKS16** | NOO | HEAVY | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| **MKS17** | NOO | HEAVY | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| **MKS18** | NOO | HEAVY | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| NGE07 | LIGHT | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| NGW01 | LIGHT | LIGHT | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| NGW02 | MODERATE | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| NGW03 | MODERATE | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| NGW04 | LIGHT | LIGHT | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| NGW05 | LIGHT | LIGHT | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| NGW06 | LIGHT | LIGHT | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| NGW07 | LIGHT | LIGHT |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PMN02 | HEAVY | NOO | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| PMN10 | LIGHT | NOO | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| PMN12 | LIGHT | LIGHT | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| PMN13 | NOO | VERY LIGHT | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| PMN15 | NOO | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| PMN16 | NOO | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| PMN24 | LIGHT | NOO | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| PMN25 | LIGHT | NOO | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| PMN28 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| PMS05 | LIGHT | LIGHT |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PMS06 | LIGHT | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| PMS10 | MODERATE | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| PMS11 | LIGHT | LIGHT |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PTN01 | MODERATE | LIGHT | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| PTN02 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| PTN03 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| PTN04 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| PTN10 | LIGHT | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| PTS01 | LIGHT | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| PTS03 | LIGHT | NOO | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| PTS04 | LIGHT | NOO | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| PTS05 | MODERATE | MODERATE | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| PTS06 | NOO | NOO | NO |  |  |  |  |  |
| PTS07 | MODERATE | LIGHT | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| PTS08 | MODERATE | NOO | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| PTS10 |  | MODERATE | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| SKN04 | NOO | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKN05 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  | X | X | X |
| SKN06 | NOO | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  | X |  |
| SKN08 | HEAVY | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  | X |
| SKN11 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X | X | X |  | X |
| SKN12 | LIGHT | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKN13 | HEAVY | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKN14 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKN15 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  | X |
| SKS01 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKS02 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKS03 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKS04 | MODERATE | HEAVY | YES | X | X | X | X |  |
| SKS06 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKS10 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKS11 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKS12 | NOO | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKS13 | NOO | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKS14 | NOO | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKS15 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKS16 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKS17 | NOO | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SKS18 | HEAVY | HEAVY | YES | X | X | X |  |  |
| SMB06 |  | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SPR01 | NOO | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SPR02 | HEAVY | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SPR03 | NOO | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SPR04 | HEAVY | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SPR05 | HEAVY | NOO | NFT |  |  |  |  |  |
| SPR07 |  | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SPR09 |  | MODERATE | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SPR10 |  | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SPR11 | LIGHT | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| SPR12 |  | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| UDE16 | LIGHT | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| WDE03 | MODERATE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| UDW01 | NOO | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| UDW04 | NOO | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| UNK03 |  | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| VLC01 |  | HEAVY | YES | X |  |  |  |  |
| VLC10a |  | LIGHT | YES | X |  |  |  |  |

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| **DATES** | **OBSERVATIONS** |
| 20-23 June 2005: | NOAA survey teams documented remobilized oil from beach cleaning operations in Skan Bay (SKN10-11) and probably from beach cleaning operations in Hump Back Bay (~HMP10-12). |
| August-September 2005 | Scott Arnold, Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, reported elevated levels of total PAHs in blue mussels from various locations in Skan Bay, but not in other nearby bays |
| ~September 2005: | Mark Carls reported increase of oil in PEMD samplers at Skan Bay (SKN-14). |
| 21 October 2005 | Unnamed observer in civilian aircraft reported what appeared to be a sheen around thevessel. Coast Guard reported oil from Selendang in water and onshore around wreck (Spray Cape) and Skan Bay. |
| 24 October 2005 | Coast Guard reported seeing sheen and emulsified oil coming from the stern of the *Selendang Ayu*. |
| 25 October 2005 | Coast Guard observed a rainbow sheen burping up from around 350 yards from the vessel. |
| 1 December 2005: | Coast Guard/ADEC reported sheening from the vessel (POLREP 104). |
| 1 December 2005 | Dan Magone reported oil on about 200 feet of shoreline near the Selendang; “grass has distinctive droopy look….” |
| 3 December 2005 | Dan Magone reported “ribbon of oil sheen” in inner bay of “Lower Skan Bay”. |
| Feb or March 2006(?) | Seaduck crews reported sticky oil blobs on beach and oiled scaup. |

| **SEGMENT** | **SEGMENT LENGTH (km)** | **OILED LENGTH (km)** | **FINAL STATUS** | **DATE of STATUS DETERMINATION** |
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| BCK11 | 0.951 | 0.08 | End Point Reached | 6/8/06 |
| HMP06 | 0.463 | 0.08 | Natural Recovery | 6/6/06 |
| HMP11b | 0.300 | 0.12 | End Point Reached | 6/6/06 |
| KFP01 | 1.494 | 0.635 | Natural Recovery | 6/13/06 |
| KFP02 | 0.536 | 0.38 | End Point Reached | 6/12/06 |
| KFP03 | 0.239 | 0.03 | End Point Reached | 6/12/06 |
| KFP10a | 1.102 | 0.36 | End Point Reached | 6/12/06 |
| KMK26 | 0.265 | 0.02 | End Point Reached | 6/4/06 |
| KMK30 | 1.839 | 0.04 | End Point Reached | 6/4/06 |
| MKS13 | 1.507 | 0.02 | End Point Reached | 6/4/06 |
| MKS14 | 0.688 | 0.14 | Natural Recovery | 6/4/06 |
| MKS16 | 0.681 | 0.265 | Natural Recovery | 6/4/06 |
| MKS17 | 1.294 | 0.08 | End Point Reached | 6/4/06 |
| SKN05 | 0.676 | 0.6 | End Point Reached | 6/5/06 |
| SKN06 | 1.854 | 0.02 | End Point Reached | 6/5/06 |
| SKN08 | 0.128 | 0.082 | End Point Reached | 6/5/06 |
| SKN11 | 0.210 | 0.24 | End Point Reached | 6/5/06q |
| SKN12 | 1.172 | 0.025 | End Point Reached | 6/5/06 |
| SKN15 | 2.610 | 2.073 | Natural Recovery | 6/12/06 |
| SKS03 | 0.865 | 0.122 | Natural Recovery | 6/8/06 |
| SKS04 | 0.235 | 0.235 | End Point Reached | 6/8/06 |
| SKS06 | 0.439 | 0.04 | End Point Reached | 6/8/06 |
| SKS11c | 0.045 | 0.08 | End Point Reached | 6/12/06 |
| SKS18d,e,g | 3.610 | 0.354 | End Point Reached | 6/12/06 |
| SPR11a | 1.210 | 0.1 | Natural Recovery | 6/8/06 |
| SPR12 | 0.593 | 0.2 | End Point Reached | 6/8/06 |

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|  | **Incident Command Segment Code** | **General Location Name** | **Site of Auke Bay Hydrocarbon Monitoring Stations** |
| 1. | MKS 5 | Makushin Bay South (Glacier Valley Creek) | X |
| 2. | HMP 9 | Humpback Bay |  |
| 3. | HMP12 | Humpback Bay |  |
| 4. | PTN 3 | Portage Bay North |  |
| 5. | PTS 10 | Portage Bay South |  |
| 6. | SKN 4 | Skan North | X |
| 7. | SKN 14 | Skan North | X |
| 8. | SPR 3 | Spray Cape |  |
| 9. | PMN 20/21 | Pumicestone North | X |
| 10. | PMS 16 | Pumicestone South | X |

