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## INFORMATION RELEASE

**Subject: Aurora Harbor Oil Slick**

**Date: 07-28-2007**

**From: Sgt. Tom Bates**

**Case or Incident # 2007-025279**

### Summary:

**On 07-28-2007, at 6:43am, The Juneau Police Department received a report of a vehicle submerged in the water at Aurora Harbor.**

**Responding officers found an older model Chevrolet pickup had apparently been pushed from the parking area down a steep embankment and into the water. A small amount of oil and gasoline could be seen leaking from the truck.**

**The US coast guard responded to assist in hooking up the vehicle to a wrecker so it could be pulled from the water.**

**Coast Guard personnel estimated the amount of petroleum products that leaked into the harbor to be 5 gallons or less, and no clean-up efforts were necessary. They advised the tide cycles should carry the oil away without any permanent effects.**

**The investigation into how the truck got into the water and who might be responsible continues.**

**Any charges reported in this press release are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.**

**\*\*\* END OF STATEMENT \*\*\***

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