

News Release

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Flint Hills Resources Ingleside Dock 5 Release Statement:

Flint Hill Resources continues to respond to the release of light crude oil from a pipe failure at its Ingleside crude oil terminal that occurred on December 24.

On December 29, U.S. Coast Guard and Texas General Land Office officials notified Flint Hills of an area at North Beach, Corpus Christi and at the north-northwest portion of Corpus Christi Bay where material was discovered. Flint Hills has mobilized resources, assessed the area, and is taking steps to recover material from the impacted areas. Crews also remain on site at Ingleside, where those cleanup efforts continue.

Flint Hills Resources' top priority is to protect the environment and maintain public safety. More than 17,000 feet of boom and 3,000 feet of absorbent pads have been deployed to protect sensitive habitat and shoreline. Additional boom will be deployed as necessary to assist in the recovery efforts. Residents are encouraged to continue reporting any material or oil sheens they observe in Corpus Christi Bay to local authorities.

The original estimate of the total amount of crude oil released was approximately 90 barrels. That estimate was based on an initial surface area assessment of the material that was discovered near the docks on Ingleside Bay on December 24. A subsequent analysis of the release completed today has determined the total volume released was approximately 335 barrels of light crude oil. The revised estimate reflects results of additional analysis of data from the terminal's operations and data control center.

Flint Hills Resources also continues to work with marine and wildlife experts. Two deceased birds have been recovered in the impacted area since the event occurred on December 24. One turtle also has been treated for potential exposure.

The cause of the December 24th incident is still under investigation. At this time, Flint Hills Resources Ingleside Dock 5 remains idled.

Flint Hills Resources continues in full cooperation, oversight and coordination with local, state and federal authorities, including the US Coast Guard, Texas General Land Office, and the Port of Corpus Christi Authority, who have all been providing assistance.

A phone number has been established to receive claims: 1-800-254-1122.