



Roundtable: The State of Rail Oil Spill Planning on the West Coast

November 5, 2015, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Hilton Portland Executive Tower -- Pavilion East
921 SW Sixth Avenue, Portland OR 97204

OBJECTIVE:

The goal of the Roundtable is to convene a forum of representatives from the rail industry along with federal, state and local governments with regulatory responsibility to discuss preparing for and responding to oil spills by rail. This roundtable provides an opportunity to share perspectives and information on preparedness and planning efforts underway across the participating organizations. It is also intended to foster conversation on appropriate measures and best response practices that could be implemented in the near future, to ensure an advanced level of readiness across the region to address the rapid increase in movement of oil by rail.

AGENDA

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 5, 2015	
8:30-8:40	<p>WELCOME AND OVERVIEW OF ROUNDTABLE</p> <p>Sarah Brace, Executive Coordinator Pacific States/British Columbia Oil Spill Task Force</p>
8:40-8:45	<p>TRIBAL WELCOME</p> <p>Armand Minthorn, Board of Trustees of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation</p>
8:45-10:15	<p>SESSION 1: LESSONS LEARNED FROM RECENT INCIDENTS</p> <p>Presentations from recent derailments will focus on lessons learned from spill response and causal factors, as well as how the events have influenced rail preparedness planning in the jurisdictions in which they occurred.</p> <p>Mt Carbon, West Virginia derailment, 2015 - Dennis Matlock, OSC, EPA Region 3</p> <p>Galena, Illinois train derailment, 2015 – Paul Ruesch, OSC, EPA Region 5</p>
10:15-10:30	Break

10:30-11:45	<p>SESSION 2A: CURRENT RAIL SPILL PLANNING AND LOOKING FORWARD</p> <p>In this session, participants will each provide a 10-minute overview of the current preparedness and response planning activities they are responsible for within their organization. The goal of this session is to provide a picture of where agencies and rail industry are focused now, and where they wish to be in the future.</p> <p><u>Moderator</u>: Mike Zollitsch, Emergency Response Unit Leader, Oregon Dept. of Environmental Quality</p> <p>Sean Lynum, Acting Regional Director, Western Region PHMSA OHMSFO Chris Field, Emergency Management Program Manager, EPA Region 10 Heather Parker, RRT/JRT Coordinator, USCG District 13 Dominic Winslow, Manager, Hazmat Planning, BNSF Railway Kim Keeling, Program Manager for Hazardous Materials Management, Union Pacific Railroad J. Singh Biln, Director Community Relations & Chief Mechanical Officer, Southern British Columbia Railroad (SRY Rail Link) Yvonne Adassi, Acting Deputy Administrator, Chief of Preparedness, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Office of Spill Prevention & Response Dale Jensen, Spill Prevention, Preparedness & Response Program, Washington Department of Ecology Graham Knox, Environmental Emergency Director, British Columbia Ministry of the Environment</p>
11:45-1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:30	<p>SESSION 2B: CURRENT RAIL SPILL PLANNING AND LOOKING FORWARD (con't)</p> <p>During this session, participants will have an opportunity as a group to ask questions and discuss issues raised during Session 2A. The goal of the session is to foster dialog among the participants on where preparedness and response planning gaps exist, identify solutions and discuss opportunities for future collaboration.</p>
2:30-2:45	Break
2:45-3:30	<p>SESSION 3: TRIBAL, STATE AND LOCAL INTERESTS</p> <p><u>Moderator</u>: Jennifer Purcell, North Coast Regional Solutions Coordinator, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality</p> <p>The following participants will join the roundtable to offer their perspectives on the morning and afternoon sessions; to share what they learned from the discussion and provide perspectives on the preparedness and response needs they would like to see addressed in their communities.</p> <p>Leo Stewart, Vice Chair, Board of Trustees, the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation Terry Ganuelas, Yakama Nation Mark Johnson – Oregon State House of Representatives Jessyn Farrell, Washington State House of Representatives Brian Schaeffer, City of Spokane Fire Chief</p>

	<p>Chad Hawkins, OR Office of State Fire Marshal, OR State Police</p> <p>Lisa Hendriksen, Director of Planning and Environmental Services, Port of Longview</p> <p>Eric Holmes, City Manager, City of Vancouver WA</p> <p>Brett Vandenheuval, Executive Director, Columbia RiverKeeper</p>
3:30-4:00	<p>RESPONSE TO AUDIENCE QUESTIONS</p> <p>Throughout the day, the audience may submit questions on comment cards to be considered by roundtable participants during this Q&A period.</p>
4:00-4:30	<p>TAKE-AWAY SUMMARY AND WRAP UP</p> <p>Dale Jensen, Spill Program Manager, Washington Department of Ecology</p>