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***Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council 2009 20th Anniversary Status Report**

The 2009 20th Anniversary Status Report produced by the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council (EVOSTC), is available on-line in both low and high resolution versions at www.evostc.state.ak.us. Please contact our office for printed copies of the Status Report.

The 2009 Status Report includes: foreword by Craig Tillery; overview of the spill, damage and response; the status of restoration including the persistence and toxicity of *Exxon Valdez* oil in the environment, and the long term effects of the initial oiling; overview of the habitat protection program; effect on people; and changes in spill prevention and response.

Contact the EVOSTC Restoration Office for copies of this and other materials as they are developed. Please check our website as new information is being posted weekly.



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Oil Spills, Oceans and Otters: 20 Years After the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill

Please join the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council, the Alaska Zoo, and the Alaska Sealife Center on Saturday, March 21 from 10 am to 5 pm, at the Alaska Zoo's Gateway Facility to learn about the *Exxon Valdez* oil spill (EVOS), it's effects on the environment and people, the status of restoration, and the changes that have been made to spill prevention and response.

There will be a variety of activities for all ages including:

- Alaska Sealife Center Touch Tank of intertidal marine species and guided fish print activity
- Bald Eagle, including "Hal" a Bald Eagle who survived the spill, presented by the Bird Treatment and Learning Center
- Oil spill experiments, an Ecosystem stamp safari, otter, seal and seaduck exhibits, and webcams of otters that survived the spill
- Public Information Table with EVOSTC and other spill-related publications, as well as artifacts and oil samples from the spill
- Spill Prevention and Response information by the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation
- Exhibit on the Legacy of the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill, a 20-year retrospective

Lecture and Film Series:

11 am and 1 pm Killer Whale Researcher Craig Matkin

12 noon and 2 pm NOAA Scientist Jeep Rice on lingering oil and long-term affects on animals affected by the spill.

3 pm Bird Treatment and Learning Center's Founder Dr. Jim Scott will share his experience at the spill and the start of BTLC.

10 am and 4 pm Films "Aluutiq Pride" shown at 10 a.m.; "Aluutiq Journey" shown at 4 p.m.

Short Films shown continuously:

- New 12-minute film, "Legacy of the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill
- 12-minute ASLC film about "Elfin," rehabilitation of an abandoned sea otter pup
- Two-minute film about "Nyac" the Sea Otter
- Slideshow about the EVOS and the Trustee Council

Kaladi Brothers Coffee and Hot Cocoa, lemonade, cookies and popcorn.

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Request EVOS Restoration Related Speakers through Dec. 15, 2008

March 24, 2009 marks the 20th Anniversary of the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill. Communities across the spill affected area and elsewhere in Alaska are planning events.

If you are interested in having a Trustee Council member, Principal Investigator (PI) or other restoration-related specialist come and speak at your community event in Alaska, please send an email or letter to EVOSTC, attention Lynette Ortolano. Please include in your request: the nature of the event; dates and times; name(s) of the individuals requested or specialty type; and the purpose of the presentation and how it is related to the EVOSTC Restoration Program (information can be found at: www.evostc.state.ak.us)

Please contact the EVOSTC Restoration Office if you have any questions. Collaborative requests that leverage funds are encouraged. Requests received after Dec. 15th, will be considered for remaining funding.

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