

Spill cleanup in Bethel

FAIRBANKS — The Alaska Fire Service, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), dispatched a five-member incident management team to Bethel on April 26 to help manage fuel oil spill at a Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) facility.

The team will coordinate planning and logistics in the effort to clean up an estimated 110,000 gallons of fuel oil that is believed to have leaked from a tank at a former White Alice radar facility now managed by the BIA.

The spill was discovered at the facility Thursday, April 15. A

U.S. Coast Guard Strike Team was dispatched from San Francisco over the weekend and has overall

management authority for the cleanup efforts.

The assignment in Bethel is expected to last two weeks.