

Oil spill symposium set

Almost four years ago, March 24, 1989 the supertanker *Exxon Valdez* ran aground on Bligh Reef in Prince William Sound spilling 11 million gallons of Prudhoe Bay crude oil.

The shorelines of the sound, the Kenai and Alaska Peninsulas, Kodiak Island and Cook Inlet were oiled.

To assess damage and plan for restoration, the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council was formed.

The results of the council's studies will be presented to the public in the Oil Spill Symposium, Feb. 2-5 at the Egan Convention Center in Anchorage. Most of the studies were kept confidential because of law suits.

Sessions giving overviews of the spill and clean-up will be conducted. To register contact Brenda Baxter, symposium coordinator at the University of Alaska Fairbanks Sea Grant Program at 907-474-7086 or fax 907-474-6285.

