

Friday, September 20, 2013 (as of 4:30 p.m.)

- **Status of Incident Command for Response Phase**

- The response phase of the incident has officially transitioned to the recovery and restoration phase. The incident command post at Clean Islands Council has officially closed.
- DLNR will now take the lead as the recovery and restoration phase of the affected area begins.
- The State of Hawaii greatly benefitted from the assistance of its federal partners, USCG, USEPA, USFWS, and NOAA.

- **Visual Assessments**

- An aerial survey revealed no discoloration attributable to the molasses spill in Honolulu Harbor and Keehi Lagoon.

- **Water Samples**

- DOH Clean Water Branch conducted water sampling at the remaining six locations throughout Honolulu Harbor and Keehi Lagoon.
- Water sampling revealed that dissolved oxygen and pH levels have returned to normal target levels.

- **Fish Collection**

- To date approximately 26,000 dead fish and other organisms have been collected.
- One dead fish was collected this morning and none were collected on Thursday.

- **Endangered Species**

- Currently no endangered species are known to be impacted by the molasses spill.

- **Posting of Warning Signs**

- Honolulu Harbor and Keehi Lagoon will re-open to commercial and recreational activity on Saturday morning.
- All warning signs will be removed on Saturday morning.

- **Coral and Harbor Floor Assessment**

- Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) will take the lead in carrying out the recovery and restoration phase of the Honolulu Harbor molasses release incident.

- **Contact Information & Updates**

Contact information:

- Department of Health – (808) 586-4400

- Department of Land and Natural Resources – (808) 587-0320
- Department of Transportation – (808) 587-2160
- Matson claims hotline for businesses that have suffered losses from the molasses spill – (808) 848-8300

Molasses spill updates:

- <http://eha-web.doh.hawaii.gov/eha-cma/Leaders/HEER/Honolulu-Harbor-Molasses-Spill-September-2013>

Other websites:

- Department of Health – <http://health.hawaii.gov/>
- Department of Health Facebook Page – <https://www.facebook.com/HawaiiDOH>
- U.S. Coast Guard – www.uscgnews.com