

# Incident Report

Date of Incident: August 26, 2025

Time of Incident: unknown

Location: Irrigon Marina, Oregon

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## Description of Incident:

At approximately 2:00 PM on August 26, 2025, a citizen reported a vessel sinking in the Irrigon Marina. Staff and board members responded immediately, deploying spill containment pads to mitigate potential environmental impact. The Morrow County Sheriff's Department (MSD), Irrigon Fire Department, and Irrigon Ambulance Services arrived on site to assist with the emergency response. The owner of the vessel was notified and arrived promptly to assess the situation.

Board members contacted the appropriate regulatory agencies to report the incident, including:

- Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB)
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Staff notified adjacent moored vessel owners.

The vessel was confirmed to be insured. The owner arranged for professional recovery assistance from Columbia River Marine Assistance (Portland, OR) and Keller Diving (Salem, OR). Recovery crews arrived at approximately 7:30 AM on August 27, 2025. By 9:30 AM, the vessel was successfully brought above water. At 10:00 AM the vessel was removed via trailer by the owner. Upon inspection the cause of the incident was a leak in the bellows of the lower unit of the vessel. The owner took possession of the vessel to have appropriate

measures of disposal of the remaining fluid in the vessel. (The capacity of oil in the vessel is 5 quarts, and at max capacity the vessel would hold 15 gallons of gasoline)the owner did not believe that it was at full capacity prior to the incident.

No injuries were reported as a result of the incident.

Actions Taken:

- Spill pads deployed to contain potential contaminants
- Emergency services contacted
- Vessel owner notified
- Vessel owner evaluated the situation and secured recovery assistance
- Regulatory agencies notified for compliance and oversight
- Recovery operations completed within 24 hours of initial report
- Post removal Dock cleanup complete and restored to normal

There was minimal environmental impact due to this incident.

Currently reviewing marina protocols for emergency response and replacement spill kit has been delivered.





