



Free Hazardous Waste Operations Class for Oiled Wildlife Citizen Responders – Port Angeles (8-hour HAZWOPER Certification)

Large oil spills are rare, but when they occur they can significantly impact wildlife. The response to oiled wildlife requires planning, coordination, and large numbers of pre-trained volunteers. The most important aspect of an oiled wildlife response is keeping the human responders safe while they do their work. This class is focused on keeping you safe if you participate in an oiled wildlife response.

If you are interested in helping with oiled wildlife response efforts here is your chance to receive free training – in advance of an oil spill response. Upon completion of the training you will receive an 8-hour HAZWOPER (**H**azardous **W**aste **O**perations and **E**mergency **R**esponse 29 CFR 1910.120) certificate.

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Washington Department of Ecology, US Coast Guard, Clallam County Marine Resources Committee, Marine Spill Response Corporation, Focus Wildlife Emergency Resource Development, and the Olympic Peninsula Chapter of the Surfrider Foundation are working together to offer this class. This one day training is primarily designed to provide you with the knowledge needed to recognize and protect yourself from hazards associated with an oil spill event. The class will cover hazardous situation recognition, site assessment and air monitoring, personal protective equipment, decontamination procedures, and an overview of how oil spill response operations are conducted. A part of the class will be devoted to specific hazards associated with working around oiled wildlife. Note: While some of the subject matter of the course is related to the specific hazards associated with working with oiled wildlife, this training is not a wildlife handling or treatment course.

This class will satisfy the annual HAZWOPER renewal requirement if you have previously completed a HAZWOPER course and need a refresher.

Training Date and Location

Location: Port Angeles City Council Chambers, 321 East 5th Street, Port Angeles

Date and Time: Saturday, February 11, 2012, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Instructors: Federal/state agency personnel and private response organization representatives

Lunch: On your own - Coffee, tea, & light refreshments provided.

Registration – There is no charge for this class but pre-registration is required. These classes typically fill quickly so plan to register early if you wish to attend. If you register but cannot attend the class please notify us immediately so that individuals on the waiting list can be contacted.

Please register online at http://websrv7.clallam.net/registration/ccmrc_traininglist.php or contact Cathy Lear at CLear@co.clallam.wa.us or (360) 417-2361 by no later than February 8th.