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Concerns being raised over fuel slick near Postville

The Nunatsiavut Government is looking for answers as to the cause and potential impacts of a fuel slick in the coastal waters near the Inuit Community of Postville.

“What we know right now is a slick, involving as much as 3,000 litres of fuel, appeared in the harbour and was found along the shoreline yesterday morning, and that the Canadian Coast Guard is assessing the situation,” notes Nunatsiavut’s First Minister and Ordinary Member for Postville, Tyler Edmunds.

The Nunatsiavut Government is concerned about possible impacts to the surrounding environment, fish, birds and other wildlife, adds Lands and Natural Resources Minister Greg Flowers, and will assist the Coast Guard wherever it can in its investigation.

“This is a very concerning, as there are still many unanswered questions,” says Minister Flowers. “We are monitoring the situation very closely and have been in regular contact with the Coast Guard. Hopefully we will have some answers soon, and that steps will be taken to immediately remediate any environmental impacts.”

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