

**WAC 173-182-242 Additional requirements for vessel plan holders with access to the emergency response system at Neah Bay.** (1) Covered vessels that transit to or from a Washington port through the Strait of Juan de Fuca, except for transits extending no further west than Race Rocks Light, on Vancouver Island, Canada, must include the following information in their contingency plan:

(a) Documentation of the vessel owner/operators contracted access to an emergency response towing vessel (ERTV) at Neah Bay;

(b) Detailed information about the ERTV's capabilities and circumstances of potential activation and call out;

(c) A commitment in the plan to participate in drills that test compliance with the requirements of RCW 88.46.135; and

(d) Procedures for call out of the ERTV must be included in the field document.

(2) Plan holders may request drill credit for an actual deployment of the tug to respond to a spill or vessel emergency, provided the plan holder follows the requirements in WAC 173-182-730.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 88.46, 90.48, 90.56 RCW, and 2011 c 122. WSR 13-01-054 (Order 11-06), § 173-182-242, filed 12/14/12, effective 1/14/13.]