



Petronia Consulting Limited

Freshwater Spill Response

Our Role

One of staff was called to provide ecological and technical advice at a freshwater oil spill. The spill was caused by a collision involving a road tanker carrying medium grade fuel oil. The tanker's load was released and rapidly entered the River Liffey in Southern Ireland, close to the centre of Dublin.

A road tanker accident was the source



Benefits to the Client

The client was able to obtain expert third-party verification that their deployed containment, recovery and clean-up site control procedures were appropriate to the incident. Our staff members were able to liaise with local interests to provide reassurance and jointly undertake river bank and wildlife surveys.

Containment and recovery site



Key Outcomes

The expert verification of the client's response and management techniques was important for their internal systems but also in the relations with the authorities and the public. The incident generated significant local interest but the rapid and effective response was able to assuage local fears of long term environmental damage and defuse negative media reporting.



The spill generated significant local media coverage