Fishing vessel safely removed from beach near Grays Harbor

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WARRENTON, Ore. – The U.S. Coast Guard working closely with the Washington Department of Ecology, safely coordinated the refloating of the fishing vessel Adrianna, which went aground approximately one-half mile south of the entrance to Grays Harbor, Wash., Friday.At 12:50 p.m., the fishing vessel crew, using a rising tide, was able to utilize the fishing vessel’s engines to safely move the vessel from the shore to open water where they were met by a 47-foot Motor Life Boat crew from Coast Guard Station Grays Harbor.Watchstanders at Sector Columbia River received a report over VHF marine radio channel 16 at 3:20 a.m., from the crew of the Adrianna stating that they had run aground on the sandy beach just south of the Grays Harbor South Jetty. It was also reported by the vessel master that a “crewmember fell asleep at the wheel.”

Coast Guard air and boatcrews responded where an MH-60 Jayhawk helicopter crew lowered a dewatering pump to the vessel and then landed on the nearby beach to assist in the pumps operation. The boatcrew was unable to assist the 44-foot steel-hulled vessel due to the shallow water depth. However, Station Grays Harbor personnel organized a beach team and reached the vessel by foot.There are no reports of crew injuries or pollution from the grounding of the vessel. The cause of the incident is under investigation.

Coast Guard personnel from Coast Guard Sector Columbia River arrive at the location of the fishing vessel Adrianna approximately one-half mile south of the entrance to Grays Harbor, Wash., Sept. 6, 2013.The fishing vessel went aground after a crewmember reportedly fell asleep while driving the boat.U.S. Coast Guard photo by Petty Officer 2nd Class Michael Esquivel

The 44-foot fishing vessel Adrianna rests aground in shallow waters approximately one-half mile south of the entrance to Grays Harbor, Wash., Sept. 6, 2013.The vessel was carrying three crewmembers when is went aground, however, no injuries or pollution were reported from the incident.U.S. Coast Guard photo by Petty Officer 2nd Class Michael Esquivel.- See more at: http://www.uscgnews.com/go/doc/4007/1 ... ash-#sthash.Il2Ug0Cs.dpuf

Audio: The master of the fishing vessel Adrianna calls for help as the vessel goes aground approximately one-half mile south of the entrance to Grays Harbor, Wash., Sept. 6, 2013. Coast Guard crews responded where they helped ensure the safety of the three crewmembers aboard the fishing vessel. U.S. Coast Guard audio.