

Economic Impacts of the *EXXON Valdez* Oil Spill (EVOS)

ECONorthwest (ECONW) was the lead economic consultant to the Combined Plaintiffs Damages Committee on the EVOS. ECONW designed, coordinated, and conducted several analyses of damages caused by the *EXXON Valdez* oil spill for various classes of plaintiffs including fishermen, landowners, area businesses, and municipalities. ECONW's economic experts also presented testimony at trial.

Economic Impacts of an Oil Spill off Huntington Beach, California

For plaintiffs' attorneys, ECONW calculated damages caused by an oil spill off Huntington Beach, California. Classes of plaintiffs included commercial fishermen, seafood wholesalers/processors, hotels, and other small businesses.

Economic Damages from an Oil Spill in the South Pacific

For plaintiffs' attorneys, ECONW analyzed the economic damages incurred by citizens of the State of Yap, in the Federated States of Micronesia, from a ship that grounded on a coral reef and spilled oil into a mangrove-reef ecosystem. ECONW calculated damages stemming from the spill's impacts on subsistence fishing, recreational swimming, governmental activities, and cultural relationships. ECONW also assessed the harm stemming from spill-related risks of future impacts to human and environmental health. ECONW's economic experts presented testimony at trial.

Analysis of Economic Damage to Oyster Producers from an Oil Spill

For plaintiffs' attorneys, ECONW analyzed the economic damage to oyster producers in Coos Bay, Oregon, caused by oil spilled from the grounding of the *New Carissa*. ECONW calculated impacts on oyster harvests, lost sales and profits, as well as uncompensated expenses incurred because of the spill. ECONW's economic experts also participated in arbitration.

Economic Damages from Shipwreck and Oil Spill

For the State of Oregon, ECONW also analyzed the economic damages to the Oregon Coast resulting from the abandoned section of the *New Carissa* shipwreck. The analysis included damages incurred through risk to human life, increased safety and rescue operation costs, and diminution to the public valuation of the coastline. ECONW's economic experts also provided testimony at trial.

Analysis of Water and Air Pollution as Part of a Multi-District Litigation

For multiple plaintiffs throughout the United States, ECONW analyzed the economic consequences of groundwater contamination stemming from leaks and spills of petroleum products. ECONW applied professional standards for conducting cost-benefit analysis and risk assessment to multiple analyses in different geographic regions throughout the U.S.

Economic Assessment of a Chemical Spill in the Sacramento River, CA

For plaintiffs' attorneys, ECONW prepared and presented economic arguments in support of class certification, and conducted an analysis of the economic impacts to area businesses and property owners from a pesticide spill in the Sacramento River, which killed fish, wildlife and vegetation along fifty miles of river.

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