

SARSAT Weekly Rescues Report for period 29 June to 05 July 2012.

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
Search and Rescue Satellite Aided Tracking System Rescues,
Three.

Incident 1:

Beacon ID: ADCD02103542401

On 03 July 2012 at 1136 UTC the COSPAS-SARSAT system detected a 406 MHz EPIRB at 44 38.4N 124 07.8W, about 4 NM west of Newport, OR. The EPIRB activated automatically when a power fishing vessel sank. Coast Guard District 13 Rescue Coordination Center (CGD13) received an unlocated SARSAT alert for the EPIRB at 1136 UTC. CGD13 contacted the registered owner, who stated that he sold the vessel about six months ago and the vessel's homeport is now Newport, OR. CGD13 received a SARSAT located alert at 1218 UTC with the position noted above. CGD13 launched a 47 foot Motor Life Boat (MLB) and two helicopters. Three of the four crewmen were rescued from the water, two by helicopter and one by the MLB. The survivors reported seeing the fourth person go under the water. The fourth crew member was not found.

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After further consideration, it was determined that Incident 2 listed in last week's SARSAT Rescue Report was not a SARSAT rescue. The total number for rescues for FY 2012 and calendar year 2012 has been corrected.

Total number of rescues for FY 12: 190

Total number of rescues for the calendar year 2012: 133

Significance: The SARSAT system protects life and property in support of the nation's commerce and transportation systems. (Steve Roark 301-817-3896)