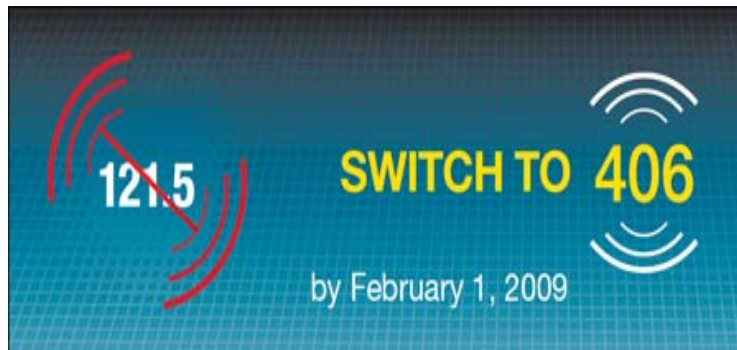


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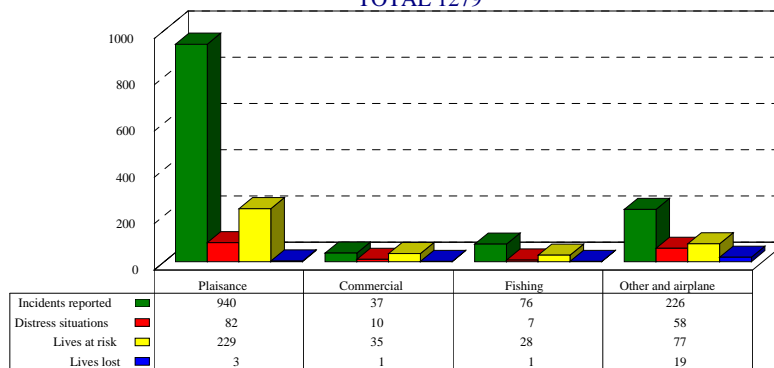


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SUMMARY OF INCIDENTS - 2008
TOTAL 1279



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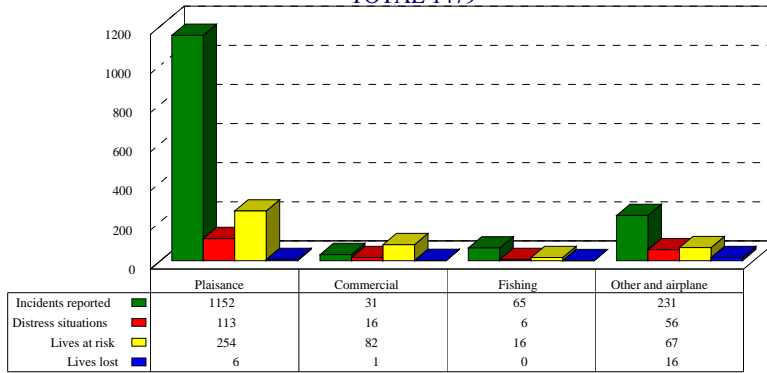
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SUMMARY OF INCIDENTS - 2007

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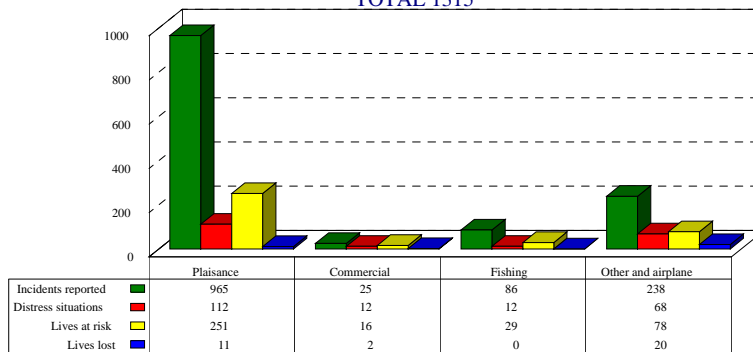
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SUMMARY OF INCIDENTS - 2006

TOTAL 1315



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LEVELS OF SERVICE REVIEW - 2007

- **New !** The draft Summary of Client Comments concerning the levels of service review, April 2008, is available on the [CCG national Web site](http://www.gcc-ccg.gc.ca)

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- **FOLLOW-UP** on Québec web site
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February 23, 2001 CCGC Spindrift attempting to stay in lee of Sir William Alexander to reduce icing

SAR Needs Analysis 2000-2004

Presentation to Permanent F/V Safety
Committee February 25, 2009



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Recommendations

- 55 national recommendations
- Grouped into six categories
 - 1-Northern Canada, including Labrador and northern Québec.
 - 2-Changes to SAR level of service
 - 3-Delivery of consistent SAR service
 - 4-Expanding SAR service capacity
 - 5-Adjusting SAR operations
 - 6-Strengthening SAR partnerships

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Recommendations – Québec Region

- 7 specific recommendations for Québec region
- 30 national recommendations which apply to Québec region

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Recommendations – Québec Region

1-Northern Canada, including Labrador and Northern Québec

- Under the leadership of the Department of National Defense (DND) (the leading governmental SAR authority), the Canadian Coast Guard works with other partners to conduct a comprehensive study of Northern Canada, with the objective of establishing SAR service criteria specific to Northern Canada, including the Labrador Coast and Northern Québec
- 1 national recommendation.

2- Changes to SAR level of service

- The multi-tasked Air Cushioned Vehicle (ACV), located in Trois-Rivières, provides primary SAR coverage (maintaining 30-minute SAR standby) to the St. Lawrence River from the end of the ice season (ice-out) to start of the IRB season, and from the end of IRB season to the start of the ice season (ice-in).
- Each year, the large-ship fleet deploys to the Gulf and maintains SAR standby on the planned dates of the deployment plan.
- Existing lifeboat stations remain 100% operational until November 30 (Quebec) and December 31 (Maritimes), or until ice forms in the lifeboat harbour (whichever occurs first).
- 4 national recommendations.

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Recommendations (cont'd)

3- Delivery of consistent SAR service

- 6 national recommendations

4- Expanding SAR service capacity

- the CCG supply a vessel capable of providing adequate SAR response for the Quebec Lower North Shore from May 01 to November 30.
- In the central Gulf of St. Lawrence, evaluate the capacity/capability which will be added to the SAR system by the new mid-shore security patrol vessels; If not then replace the ARUN lifeboat positioned at Cap-aux-Meules (Iles de la Madeleine) with a vessel capable of providing SAR coverage for the entire Gulf of St. Lawrence
- 3 national recommendations

5- Adjusting SAR Operations

- 11 national recommendations

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Recommendations (cont'd)

6- SAR Partnerships

- The CCGA considers increasing the number of CCGA units providing SAR service during the shoulder seasons in the upper St. Lawrence River.
- The CCG is working with the CCGA to enhance response capability by recruiting new owner-operated vessels in areas where CCGA membership is minimal (i.e., north shore PEI, south shore Newfoundland, Lower North Shore of Quebec and Labrador, lower St. Lawrence River, etc.), recognizing that previous attempts at recruitment have failed.
- 5 national recommendations.

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Next Steps

- Costing the recommendations
- Prioritize recommendations
- Prepare Business Plan to get funding
- Implementation of some recommendations on short term basis
- Selection process for the location of the new SAR station on Lower North shore completed.

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