

USCG Sector Buffalo

NY/NJ Regional Response Team Meeting

June 18-19, 2019



USCG Sector Buffalo Exercises and Cases (Since Nov 2018)

- Between Sector Buffalo, MSU Cleveland, and MSD Massena, there were:
 - 80 Cases
 - 11 Physical Responses
 - 5 Federalized Cases
- Ongoing Lake Ontario High Water concern
- Tall Ships 2019 ICS Exercise (February 8th and 9th)
- CANUSLAK (August 20th and 21st)





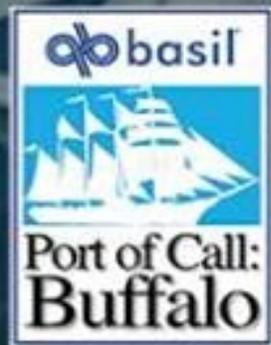
JULY 4-7, 2019



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Tall Ships 2019 ICS Exercise

- Two day exercise, March 8th and 9th (Simulated dates of July 5th and 6th).
- Involved both Active duty and Reservist personnel.
- Used both T-Cards and IMSS Online Application.
- Exercise Days:

- ❖ March 8th (July 5th):

Stood up Incident Command Post in the Sector Buffalo community room, assigned positions per WQSB, and developed plan for the next operational period.

- ❖ March 9th (July 6th):

Relieved personnel and assumed assigned roles, conducted operations per plan from previous day, developed the plan for next operational period, and began demobilization.



Explosion in Hatch; PIW's and Fire

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Explosion in USS Little Rock
Heavy oil discharge from hull

Explosion Harborcenter ; PIW's and Fire
Multiple rec craft involved

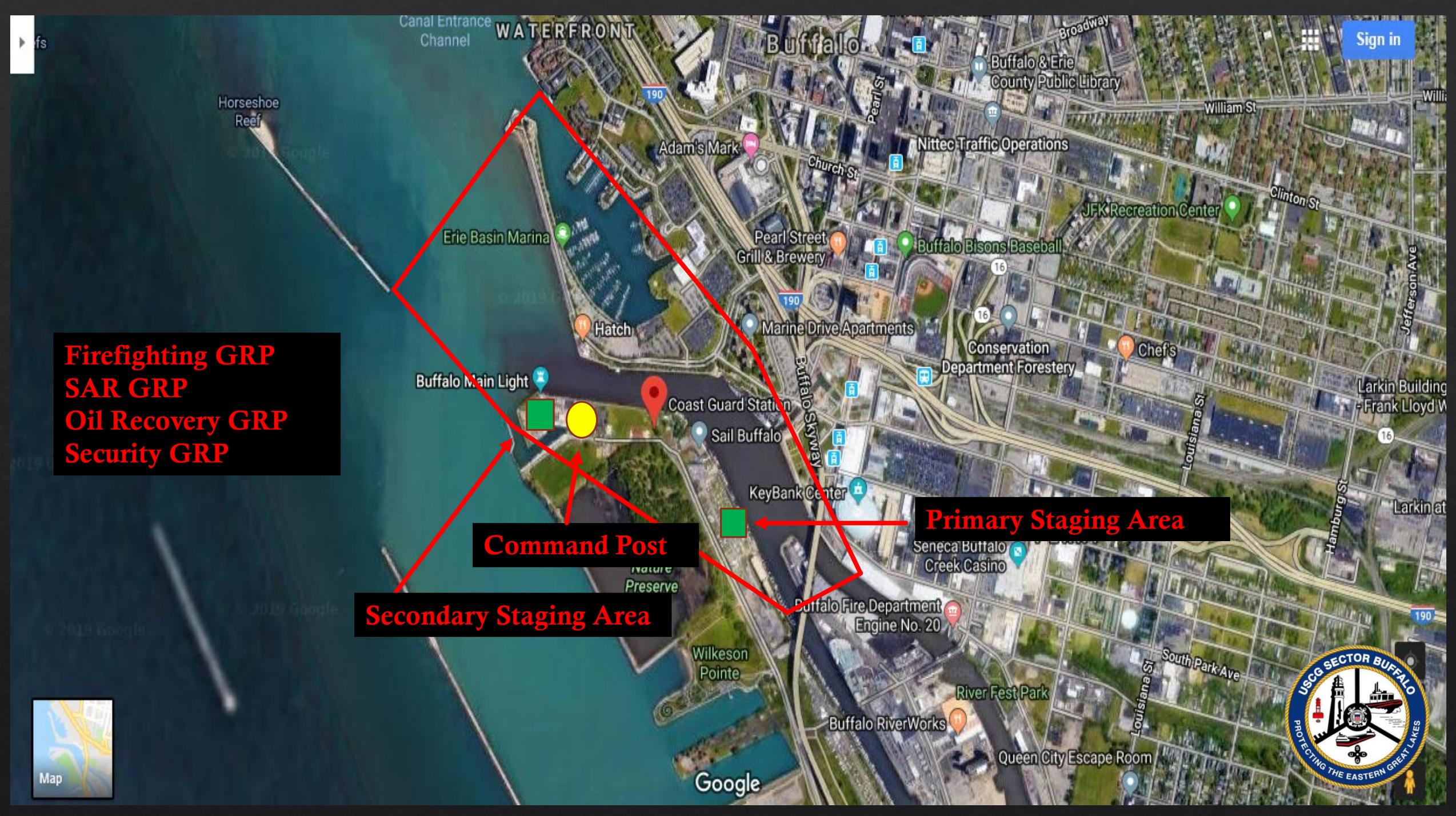
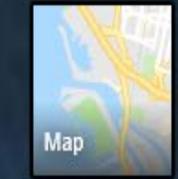


Sign in

Firefighting GRP
SAR GRP
Oil Recovery GRP
Security GRP

Command Post
Secondary Staging Area

Primary Staging Area



Debrief of Tall Ships 2019 ICS Exercise

- ICS exercise incident was not preloaded or pre briefed to individuals involved except for DRAT. Involved members assumed the incident would be a pollution spill; turned out to be multiple explosions from terrorist attack.
- Required participants to think outside the box; re-evaluate expectations.
- Generated excellent table-top discussions regarding large-scale response and impacts to response efforts and staging areas.
- Exercise used for local training and to facilitate ICS qualifications.



CANUSLAK 2019

August 20th – 21st

- Purpose: To test the Canadian and US Lakes Annex of the International Joint Contingency Plan.
- Logistics: Unified Command Posts will be set up in Clayton, NY and Alexandria Bay, NY.
- Exercise will involve three incidents:
 1. Pollution Spill
 2. Hazardous Substance in Air – notification IAW CANUSCENT.
 3. Radiation Nuclear Detection – table top exercise in Alexandria Bay, NY.



Lake Ontario High Water

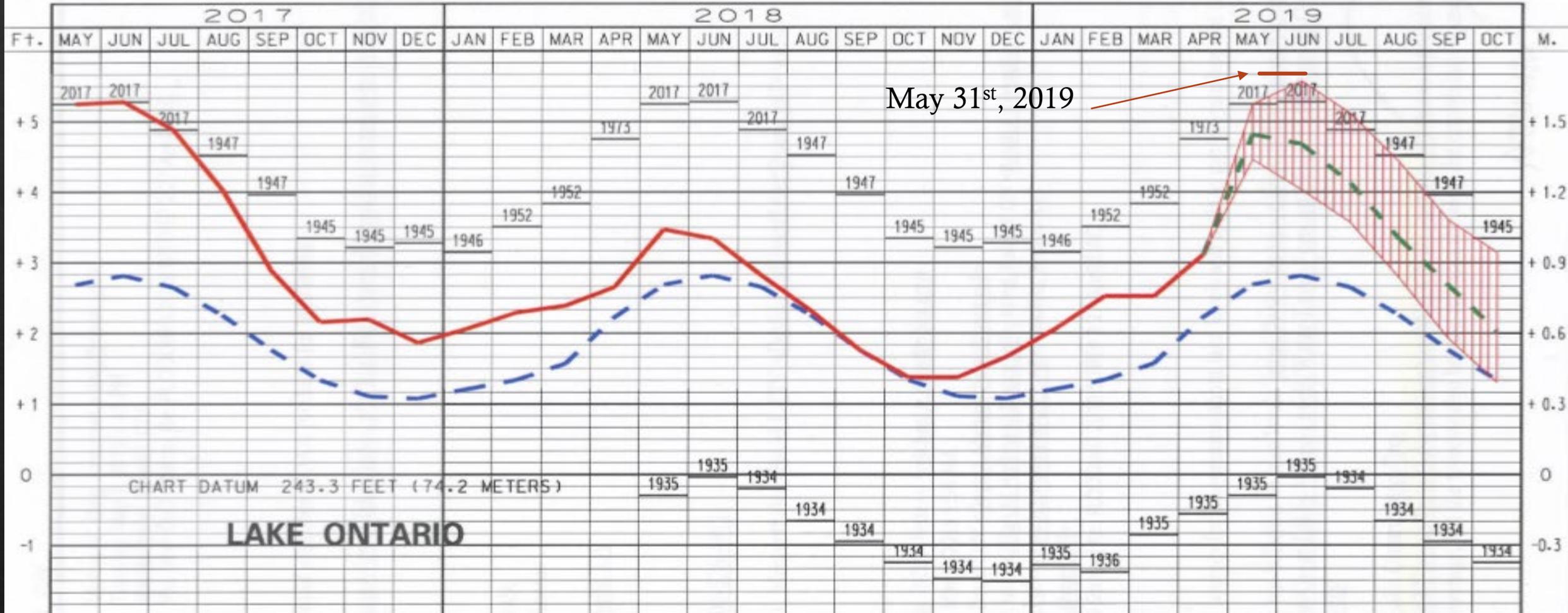
Average Water Level: 243.3 Feet

Previous High Water Level Record: 248.95 Feet (May 2017)

New High Water Level Record: **248.98** Feet (May 31st, 2019)



LAKE ONTARIO WATER LEVELS – MAY 2019

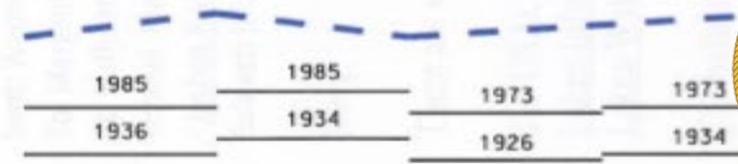


LEGEND LAKE LEVELS

RECORDED
PROJECTED



AVERAGE **
MAXIMUM **
MINIMUM **



** Average, Maximum and Minimum for period 1918-2018





