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Falmouth Fire-EMS Responds to Sinking Vessel

Shortly after 6 a.m. on Tuesday, July 13th a Falmouth Police Officer on routine patrol noticed a sinking boat at the Falmouth Town Landing. The vessel, a 31-foot lobster boat named Jerry Rig II, was tied to the floats at the landing and taking on water. Falmouth Fire-EMS was called to the scene and deployed approximately 80-feet of absorbant boom around the boat and the two floats at the landing to contain any potential leaking fluids. Maine Department of Environmental Protection was called to the scene as was the Town Harbormaster and the Coast Guard. It is estimated that less than 1 gallon of fluid leaked onto the water from the sinking boat. A salvage company was called to the scene and successfully recovered the boat before it completely sank. The boat was then towed to Handy Boat where it was removed from the water at 9:15 a.m.. There were no injuries.

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