Big Water Incidents

Garage Fire
Wasilla, Alaska
May 2000







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Facts & Figures…

- We don't know much about this incident. The photos are from the archives of Larry Davis.
- We do know that the photos were taken in May 2000 and that some of the rigs are from the Wasilla, Alaska area.
- It looks like it was a small garage fire in a remote area and the crews used a nurse tanker operation to fight the fire.
- It also looks like some Class A foam was used in the attack operation.

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The Structure



The structure was some type of small, garage-like structure in a remote area.

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Rural Water Supply Operation



A rural water supply operation was used to fight the fire.

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1st Tanker Arrives





This engine tanker arrives and supports an engine that has gone up the lane.

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Set-up for Nurse Tanker Operation





The driver/operator of the engine/tanker set-ups up to run as a nurse tanker using a clappered siamese valve.

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Water is on the Way





A 3-inch line is used to pump off the water to the clappered siamese and thus supply the attack engine.

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A Clappered Siamese is Used





A closer shot of the siamese in use.

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The Attack Engine



The driver/operator of the attack engine is shown taking in a 5-inch supply line and pumping what looks to be a 1-3/4-inch attack line.

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Crews Make an Attack



Crews make the attack on what appears to be a relatively small fire.

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Looks Like Class A Foam was Used



Looks like Class A foam was used due to the over spray on the ground.

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Another Tanker Arrives





A second engine/tanker arrives and prepares to off-load water if needed using the other side of the clappered siamese.

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Two Tankers Ready to Nurse



The basic set-up. The nurse tanker mode of operation worked fine for this incident.

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1st Tanker's Dump Chute





Obviously, the first engine/tanker also has the ability to operate in the "dump and run" mode as well.

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A Control Valve on Suction Intake



This is some brand of external control valve on the suction intake.

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2nd Tanker's Dump Chute





The second engine/tanker also has the ability to operate in the dump and run mode.

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A Forestry Engine Arrives





Looks like a forestry engine responded to this fire also. There is no info on the rig however other than it was built by S&S.

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