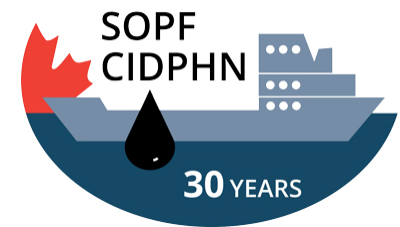




Ship-source Oil Pollution: **COMPENSATION 101**



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You wake up
early in the
morning to a
ringing
telephone . . .

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The owner of the boat is probably liable for :



clean-up costs



fisheries losses



**preventive
measures**



tourism losses



**loss of
subsistence living**



**property
damage**



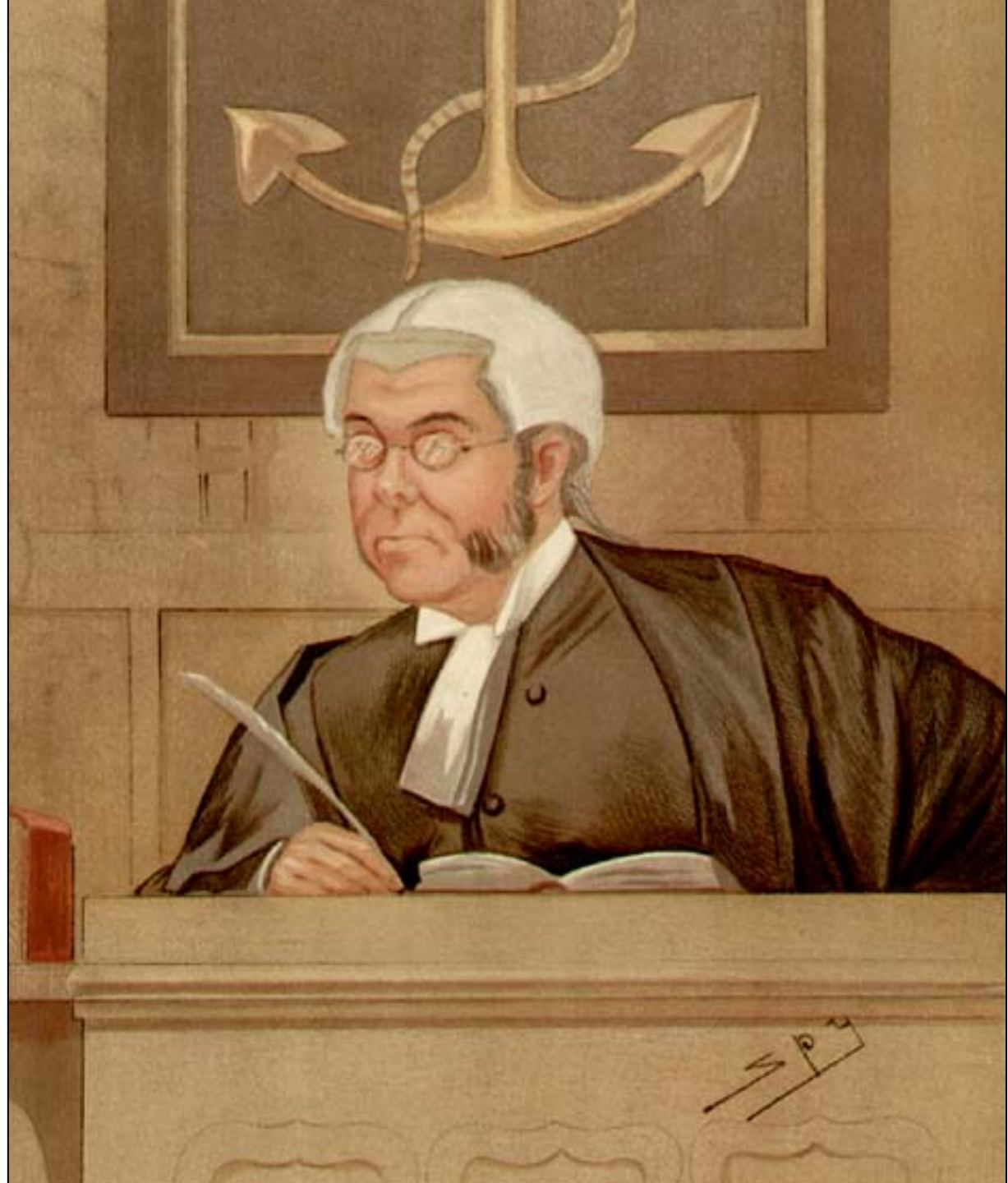
**economic
loss**



**costs for
reinstatement
of the environment**

So what do you do?

I will
hear
your
case !





Leonard Krog, Mayor



Immediate and long-term impacts of oil spills on:

- Emergency services
- Recreation
- Tourism

We compensate these items too.



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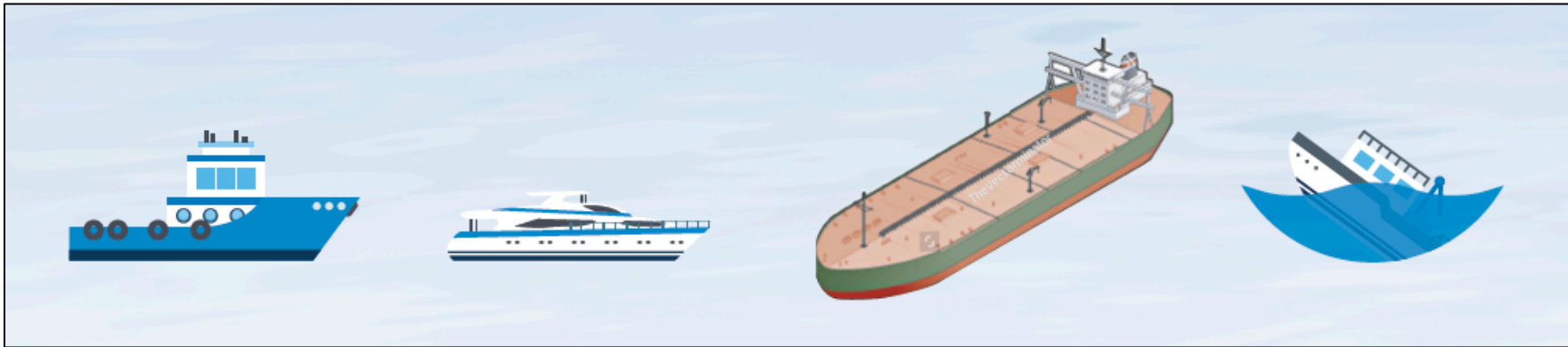


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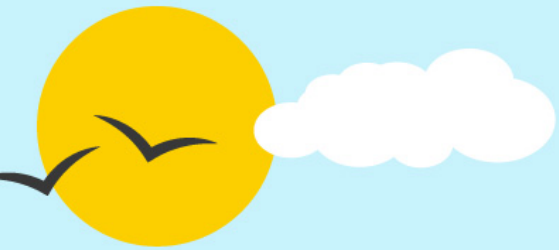
**The Fund compensates victims of oil pollution
by any type of oil from any ship or boat**



anywhere in Canadian waters.

Claims Process

- Carefully document any loss, damage, costs, or expenses;
- What happened? Narrative referring to documentation;
- Submit your claim to the SOPF (within two years, to be safe);
- Assessment, offer, acceptance, payment; and
- We pursue the polluter, in court where necessary.



1 out of **4**



claims are related to an
abandoned, derelict, or wrecked vessel





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Parliamentary Secretary for Environment

Addressing Abandoned Vessels and Marine Debris



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
of BRITISH COLUMBIA

UBCM 2019 Convention September 25, 2019
Ship-source Oil Pollution: Compensation 101

Background

- Islands Trust Council Chair 2008-14:
 - AVICC & UBCM abandoned vessel resolutions
- MP for Nanaimo-Ladysmith 2015-19 – tabled private member's bill to address abandoned vessels
- MLA for Nanaimo 2019:
 - Special Advisor for Marine Debris
 - Parliamentary Secretary for Environment

Abandoned Vessels – Transport Canada and the Province

- Transport Canada:
 - Responsible for removal of abandoned vessels
 - [Wrecked, Abandoned and Hazardous Vessels Act](#);
 - Funding available through the [Abandoned Boats Removal Program](#)
- Provincial Government:
 - Responsible for waste management / recycling of marine debris

Role of Special Advisor

- Make recommendations to eliminate the environmental threats caused by abandoned vessels, look at:
 - collaboration with the federal government on potential development of a boat-licensing program
 - feasibility of end-of-life recycling of boats and marine infrastructure, as well as fibre-glass
 - feasibility of a “cash for clunkers” program for vessels at the end of their useful life
 - Washington State experience

What We Heard

- Ocean health and clean shorelines are vital to our well-being
- Coordination with federal agencies and local governments is required for success
- The province should play a role in:
 - Improving prevention and reuse
 - Expanding recycling opportunities
 - Ensuring that disposal options are available
 - Fostering innovative solutions to marine debris

Next steps

- Incorporate findings of conversations and site visits into a recommendations report:
 - Further analyze past UBCM resolutions and BC Chamber of Commerce
 - Continue to work with agencies, First Nations and other levels of government
- Present report to Minister George Heyman for consideration by the end of the year



Remember this?

**Knowing what
you know now...**

**What would you
do?**



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Past Local Governments Claims

- Only ten local governments have claimed
- Largest compensatory payment to a local government:
\$394,110.76 (September 2019)
- City of Vancouver received **\$266,014.86** (May 2019)

Compensation 101: Ship-source oil pollution

Register now for our free webinar:
How to submit a claim

*for damages caused by oil spills
from ships and boats*



Tuesday, November 26, 2019

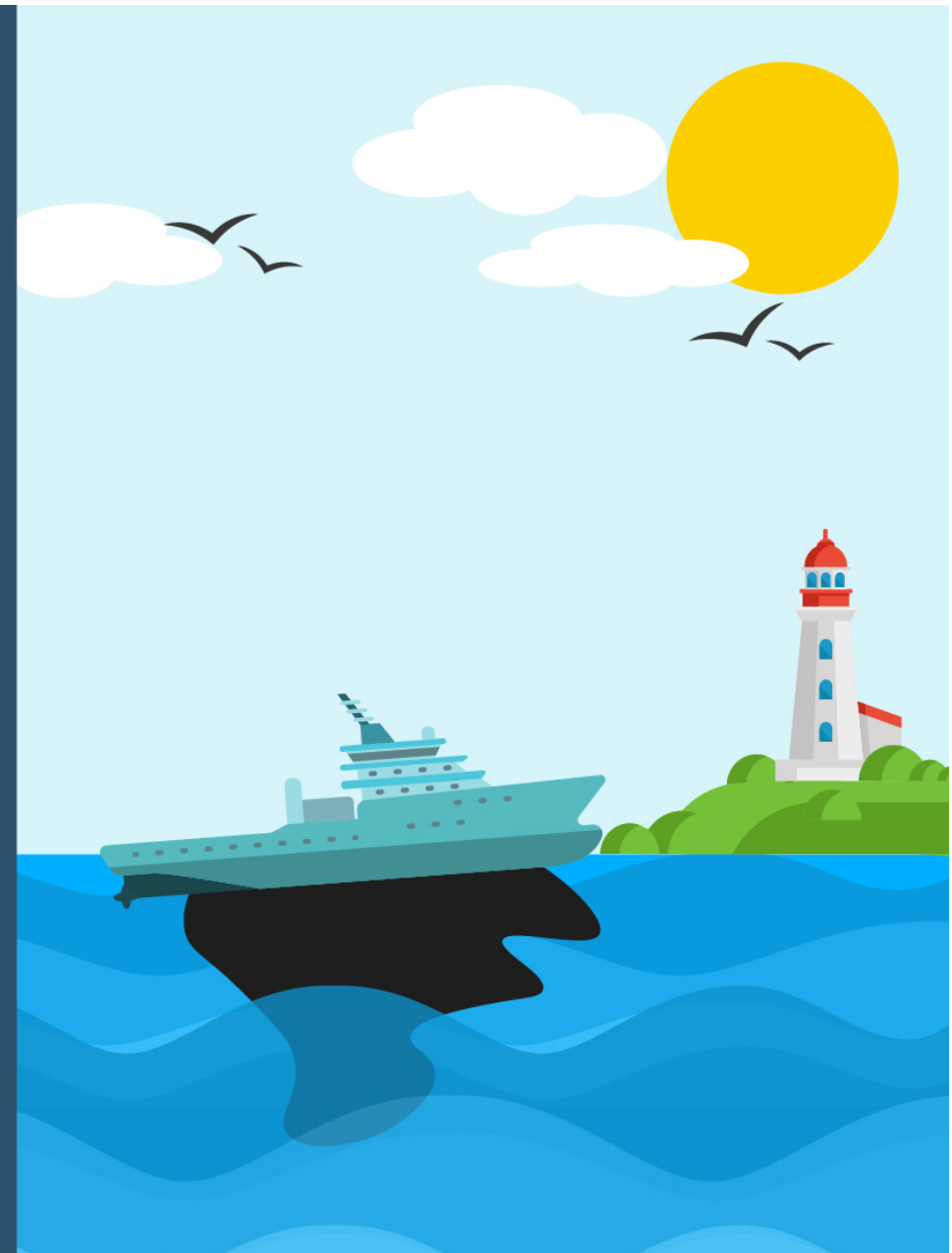


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