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The State of Alaska has one of the most comprehensive oiled wildlife contingency and response plans in the US. This occurred after the 1989 Exxon Valdez Spill. Prior to this major oil spill, contingency and response plans were non-existent or poorly organized and funded. I directed the Oiled Sea Otter Rehabilitation Program at Port Valdez on behalf of the Exxon Corp. At that time, Alaska had no response plan, trained wildlife responders or rehabilitation facilities. With support from the Alyeska Pipeline Service Company, we now have a roster of over 100 trained responders and a rehabilitation facility at the terminal property in Port Valdez. Under OSHA requirements, we provide annual training for responders so that they may work with oiled wildlife in the rehabilitation facility. Current Alaska State requirements for this response capability are essential for us to maintain readiness for another spill. Otherwise, industry support will likely be reduced or eliminated. Alaska has one of the best oiled wildlife response programs in the country. Let's maintain it.