



**Charlie Crist**  
Governor

## Situation Report # 45

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**Weather Summary:**

- Relatively weak winds (below 10 knots), low seas (below 3 feet) and low rain chances are expected through the next 2 days. Monday through Wednesday the chances of offshore rainfall increase to around 40%. Winds are forecast to remain light and out of the southwest through Monday before shifting to the west on Tuesday. These conditions may push portions of the oil plume towards the extreme Northwest Panhandle through the beginning of next week.

**Current Situation:**

- **Florida beaches are open.**
- Unified Area Command estimates release rate of oil from Deepwater Horizon at **12,600 to 40,000** barrels per day. The containment dome is recovering approximately **15,550** barrels per day.
- This event has been designated a Spill of National Significance.
- Unified Area Command continues with a comprehensive oil well intervention and spill response planning following the April 22 sinking of the Transocean Deepwater Horizon drilling rig 130 miles southeast of New Orleans.
- More than 24,000 personnel are working the on and offshore response.
- Oil-water mix recovered: approximately 18.5 million gallons
- Response vessels available: more than 5,511
- Response aircraft available: 66
- Dispersant (in gallons): approximately 1,171,000 deployed
- **There is no planned use of dispersants in Florida waters.**

**Florida Specific:**

- A large plume of weathered oil was detected nine miles south of Pensacola Pass. The plume is two miles wide and goes south for 40 miles. An additional plume of non-weathered oil was verified through state reconnaissance data. The plume is located three miles south of Pensacola Pass. Response assets, including skimming vessels, have been dispatched to the area.
- Dime to five inch-sized tar balls and tar patties were found in widely scattered areas from the Florida state line to Okaloosa County. Tar ball and tar patty findings are more concentrated in the western-most Florida counties. Clean up teams continue to be on scene. Heavy impacts, in addition to tar balls and tar patties, have not been reported in Florida at this time.
- Perdido Pass and Pensacola Pass will be closed with the tide to prevent oil from entering inland waters. Boom will be deployed across each Pass at flood tide (water coming in) and removed at ebb tide (water going out).
- Oil Containment Boom (in feet) total: **331,240** deployed in Florida.
  - Tier 1: **159,600** / Tier 2: **123,500** / Tier 3: **48,140**
- In accordance with established plans, protective booming and boom maintenance is being conducted in the coastal areas of Bay, Escambia, Franklin, Gulf, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, and Walton Counties.
- **354** vessels are registered in Florida for the Vessels of Opportunity program.
- **324** Qualified Community Responders are actively working the cleanup efforts in the Florida Panhandle.
- 3 staging areas are in place to protect sensitive shorelines in Florida.
- According to the NOAA oil plume model, the oil plume remains **80** miles from Gulf County, and **280** miles from St. Petersburg, with non contiguous sheens and scattered tarballs closer. **The NOAA uncertainty line extends east to Destin. Offshore, scattered patches of sheen remain in the Loop Current Ring with evidence that it has begun to reattach to the main Loop Current. Trajectories indicate that these patches of sheen will remain in the Loop Current Ring. Observed tarball fields are not likely to reach the Florida Straits in the next 3-4 days.**
- BP is providing a \$100,000 grant through a Memorandum of Understanding with Volunteer Florida to maintain a database for the registration of volunteers: go to [www.VolunteerFlorida.org](http://www.VolunteerFlorida.org) and click "Register to Help."
- BP issued a \$25 million block grant to Florida; first priority is booming. BP issued a second \$25 million grant to Florida for a national tourism advertising campaign. BP issued another \$25 million to Florida for the state's preparedness and response efforts.
- BP claims in Florida total **12,088** with approximately **\$8,099,535.33** paid.
- **The Department of Health (DOH) and the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) are closely monitoring health and environmental impacts to Florida. See the website below for current advisories or link to the DOH Impacted Beaches website. <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/deepwaterhorizon/health.htm>**
- The fishery failure declaration for the Gulf of Mexico includes Florida, providing impacted and eligible commercial fisheries the opportunity for federal support; it does *not* close fisheries.

**Florida Information Lines**

- The Florida Oil Spill Information Line (FOSIL) is available from 8am-6pm EDT daily for citizens' questions at (888) 337-3569.
- For general health/exposures information questions related to the oil spill, contact the Florida Poison Control Center at 1-888-337-3569.
- Two public hotline numbers for oil spill investigation and cleanup:
  - Impacted Wildlife: (866) 557-1401
  - Oiled Shoreline: 1 (877) 2-SAVE-FL or #DEP for cellular devices
- The Florida Department of State has established a hotline for archeological, historical preservation, and tribal lands that may be impacted by the Deepwater Horizon incident: (850) 245-6530.

**State Actions:**

- State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) is at a Level 1 (Full), operating from 0700 to 1800 EDT, with Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) as the lead agency.
- Governor's Executive Orders 10-99, 10-100, and 10-106 declared a state of emergency for:
  - Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Bay, & Gulf (10-99)
  - Franklin, Wakulla, Jefferson, Taylor, Dixie, Levy, Citrus, Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Manatee, and Sarasota (10-100)
  - Charlotte, Lee, Collier, Monroe, Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach (10-106)
- Governor's Executive Order 10-115 authorizes the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to designate Free Saltwater Fishing Days to encourage noncommercial fishing in Florida.
- Governor's Executive Order 10-101 established the Gulf Oil Spill Economic Recovery Task Force, which will facilitate efforts by Florida businesses and industries to recover from the loss of commerce and revenues due to the oil spill.
- Governor Charlie Crist activated Florida's Small Business Emergency Bridge Loan Program on 6/7/10 to provide emergency, short-term loans to established small businesses in 26 designated counties.
- Conducting daily conference calls with county and emergency management partners, the Federal On-Scene Coordinator, and various Unified Commands.

SERT Personnel - Location	Personnel
Mobile Unified Command, Forward-State Emergency Response Team	28
Florida Peninsula Command, Miami	7
St. Petersburg	0
Area Command in Robert, Louisiana	2
Escambia	1

- The Agency for Workforce Innovation and Regional Workforce Boards are working in Florida communities to identify and fill jobs related to Oil Spill. Florida Department of Children and Families has begun to assess potential mental health impacts of oil spill.
- Syndromic surveillance has been heightened in 6 coastal counties from Escambia to Gulf, monitoring for potential health effects.
- All State sampling data collected is reported at [www.nrddata.org](http://www.nrddata.org).
- The Small Business Administration has issued an Economic Injury Disaster
- **16** Florida National Guard (FLNG) personnel on duty; additional personnel are en route to the State Emergency Operations Center.
- **13,240** volunteers have registered to respond to Deepwater Horizon. Volunteers and Donations is providing consistent messaging to Florida volunteers, **"All oil-contaminated materials will be handled by trained, paid workers and not by volunteers."**
- Business, Industry, and Economic Development has launched a national radio and print advertising campaign for Florida tourism.
- Conducting daily reconnaissance flights and patrolling shoreline from Escambia to Gulf counties for impact. Real time reconnaissance reports are being entered into the GATOR web mapping application at <http://map.floridadisaster.org/gator/>.
- The Boom Coordination Cell continues to coordinate additional boom requests.
- An Innovative Technology Cell is assessing alternative clean-up technologies suggested by the public and stakeholders.
- Loan Declaration for the State of Florida.
  - Disaster Loan Outreach Centers are open in the following counties: Bay, Escambia, Gulf, Franklin, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Wakulla, and Walton.
  - Loan Applications:
    - Issued: 292 Accepted: 51 Declined: 14 Approved: 2
    - Loan amount approved: \$255,000.00

**Local States of Emergency**

- Bay: Expires on 6/17/10
- Dixie: Expires on 6/17/10
- **Escambia: Expires on 6/18/10**
- Franklin: Expires on 6/15/10
- Gulf: Expires on 6/15/10
- Okaloosa: Concurrent with State
- **Santa Rosa: Expires on 6/18/10**
- Sarasota: Expires on 6/15/10
- Wakulla: Expires on 6/15/10
- **Walton: Expires on 6/18/10**

**County EOC Activations**

- Bay, Level 2 (Partial)
- Escambia, Level 2 (Partial)
- Gulf, Level 2 (Partial)
- Okaloosa, Level 2 (Partial)
- Santa Rosa, Level 2 (Partial)
- Wakulla, Level 2 (Partial)
- Franklin, Level 2 (Partial)

