



FLORIDA DEEPWATER HORIZON RESPONSE WEEKLY UPDATE

March 1, 2013

Gulf Coast Incident Management Team/Florida Branch

- Gulf Coast Incident Management Team (GCIMT) remains active in New Orleans, LA with the consolidated MS/AL/FL Branch Office located in Gulf Shores, AL.
- Supporting the GCIMT is George Henderson (FWC), State On-Scene Coordinator (SOSC). George staffed the NOLA office this week.
- Representatives from the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), FDEP and BP are staffing the consolidated Branch Office.
- The Florida Branch, is supervising the activities of two Divisions, staffed by BP and their contract personnel with USCG oversight:
 - Division 1 - Western Escambia County (Perdido Key)
 - Division 2 - Eastern Escambia (Pensacola Beach) and Okaloosa Counties.

Florida Activities

- One Shoreline Cleanup Assessment Technique (SCAT) team, that includes FDEP personnel, continues to conduct scientific assessments of the FL coast on a daily basis. The team documents oil found and provides cleanup recommendations.
- Product continues to be collected, documented and weighed by segment on a daily basis.

Weekly Totals (lb)							
Counties	Escambia/ Santa Rosa	Okaloosa	Walton	Bay	Gulf	Franklin	Total
Material Collected	114.90	0.40	0	0	0	0	115.30
Oiled Debris	0.38	0	0	0	0	0	0.38
Total- to date	2,830,086	39,919	15,767	4,019	329	138	2,890,258

*Material collected totals represent work completed through these dates 2.22.13 - 2.28.13 - Note Santa Rosa, Walton, Bay, Gulf, and Franklin Counties are out of active response.

Florida Activities continued

- The remaining Okaloosa County segments will be placed in the Endpoint Evaluation/Validation Period (EPEVP) process. The directive should be released early next week.
- BP withdrew their Area Wide Permit application. The CG is finalizing their request to proceed forward with the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).
- Notified of upcoming USCG personnel changes. Commander Kenny Pounds will take over as the Deputy FOSC when LCDR Coleman departs at the end of May; Captain Sparks will take over as the FOSC when Capt. Walker departs- date to be determined.
- The CG has agreed to reintegrate a National Resource Advisor (NRA) on FL SCAT teams during the 2013 wildlife nesting season. The 2013 Nesting Migratory Bird Guidance is anticipated to be finalized next week.
- The National Park Service (NPS) released their Gulf Island National Seashore (GUIS) 2013 MC-252 Wildlife Season Guidelines for Florida on February 25th.
- Snorkel SCAT surveyed segment FLES2-002 (GUIS- Ft. Pickens) on February 24th. The team could not locate the submerged oil mat (SOM) discovered and worked by Operations on 2.21. The SOM is currently buried under sand. All other scheduled Snorkel SCAT surveys were cancelled due to inclement weather.
- Operations were cancelled Monday, February 25th and part of the day Tuesday, February 26th due to inclement weather.
- OSAT 3 and Buried Oil Project update meetings were held on February 28th.
- March 1st - NOLA and FL Branch leadership (USCG, NPS, State, and BP) toured segments FLES2-002 (GUIS-Ft. Pickens) and FLES2-018 (Pensacola Beach) to discuss current operations.
- Patrol and Maintenance frequency change agreements:
 - Perdido Key: FLES1-001, 002 and 010 to 014- reduce to 2x/wk.
- Agreed upon SOSC/FOSC SCAT requests: FLES1-042- Advance to SIR (1).
- The State approved the following document(s)/ plan(s):
 - Shoreline Inspection Report (SIR-(1)) - for segment FLES3-016. This segment met shoreline cleanup criteria and in accordance with the SCCP will be transferred into SCAT monitoring for a minimum of 30 days prior to conducting a second SIR (SIR-(2)).
 - Shoreline Inspection Report (SIR-(2)) - for segment FLES2-026. This segment met shoreline cleanup criteria and will be removed from the response.