



Situation Report # 60

Sunday, June 27, 2010 at 1200 hrs EDT

Charlie Crist
Governor

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Weather Summary:

- Moderate southeasterly winds of 5-10 knots today through Tuesday with a 20-30% chance of rain offshore today, increasing to 50% by Tuesday. Waves will be moving north through Tuesday, increasing in height each day.
- Tropical Storm Alex began to move across the Yucatan Peninsula last night and is expected to reach the Gulf of Mexico by this afternoon. The majority of the computer models, along with the National Hurricane Center, are forecasting Alex to move towards the west-northwest and impact the coastline near the Texas-Mexico border later this week. The system is also forecasted to slightly increase in intensity as it moves across the warm water of the Gulf of Mexico before making landfall.

Current Situation:

- **Florida beaches are open.**
- Estimated release rate of oil from Deepwater Horizon at 35,000 to 60,000 barrels per day. Optimization of the dual recovery system (LMRP Cap and Q4000) continues; total oil recovered approximately **22,750 barrels on 6/26/10**.
- 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.
- **As of 6/25/2010:**
 - More than **38,000 personnel** are working the on and offshore response.
 - Oil-water mix recovered: **over 26 million gallons**
 - Response vessels available: **more than 6,580**
 - Response aircraft available: **98**
 - Dispersant (in gallons): **more than 1,530,000 deployed**
- **There is no planned use of dispersants in Florida waters.**

Florida Specific:

- **There are no health advisories in Florida in regards to the oil spill impact.**
- **Tar balls, tar patties and sheen have been reported in Northwest Florida between Escambia and Walton Counties, with the heaviest impacts reported in Escambia County.**
- **Perdido Pass and Pensacola Pass are closed with the tide to reduce the amount of oil from entering inland waters.** Boom is deployed across each Pass at flood tide (incoming) and removed at ebb tide (outgoing).
- Oil Containment Boom (in feet) total: **607,261** deployed in Florida.
 - Tier 1: **247,300** / Tier 2: **133,600** / Tier 3: **226,361**
- In accordance with established plans, protective booming, staging, and boom maintenance is being conducted along the coast from Escambia to Franklin.
- **385 vessels** are deployed in Florida for the Vessels of Opportunity program.
- 863 Qualified Community Responders are actively working in the Florida Panhandle.
- According to the NOAA oil plume model, the oil plume is **57 miles** from Mexico Beach and **244 miles** from St. Petersburg. **Winds and currents will prevent a further eastward movement of the oil plume along the northwestern Florida coastline. Areas already impacted, west of the Choctawhatchee Bay, will continue to receive impacts as the oil plume moves slightly northwest and closer to the shoreline. No significant amounts of oil are within or moving towards the loop current ring and there is no clear path for oil to enter the Florida Straits within the next 5 days.**
- In addition to \$100,000 for Volunteer Florida to maintain a volunteer registration database, BP has issued over \$75 million in grants to Florida for booming, a national tourism advertising campaign, and the state's preparedness and response efforts. **An additional \$500,000 has been issued by BP to fund two innovative technology solutions for Okaloosa County.**
- BP claims in Florida total **21,288** with approximately \$18,241,105.61 paid.
- A U.S. Coast Guard representative for Unified Command Mobile is on scene at the SEOC coordinating response efforts as Deputy Incident Commander for Florida.
- **Taylor County has been moved to the Florida Peninsula Command's Area of Responsibility.**

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 (800) 222-1222.
- Two public hotline numbers for oil spill investigation and cleanup:
 - Impacted Wildlife: (866) 557-1401
 - Oiled Shoreline: (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.

Information Websites:

- **Volunteer registration:** www.VolunteerFlorida.org and click "Register to Help"
- **Health advisories:** <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/deepwaterhorizon/health.htm>
- **State sampling data:** www.nrddata.org
- **GATOR web mapping application:** <http://map.floridadisaster.org/gator/>
- **Recovery related jobs:** <http://gulfrecoveryjobs.employflorida.com/>
- **NOAA GeoPlatform, response management application:** <http://www.geoplatform.gov/gulfresponse/>

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, 10-106 and 10-132 declared a state of emergency for identified counties along the Florida coast.
- 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 the loss of commerce and revenues due to the oil spill.
- The Governor activated Florida's Small Business Emergency Bridge Loan Program 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.
- The State Emergency Response Team (SERT) Mobile Command Vehicle is supporting the State Coordinating Officer, State Incident Commander, and the Governor at Pensacola Beach.

SERT Personnel - Location	Personnel
Forward-SERT, Mobile Unified Command	24
Florida Peninsula Command, Miami	5
Area Command in New Orleans, Louisiana	2
Escambia, Santa Rosa, Bay, Gulf	2 each
Mobile Command Vehicle, Pensacola	7

- FEMA is assisting SERT with streamlining financial reimbursement processing.
- Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) executive order (EO 10-29) temporarily closes a portion of coastal state waters offshore of Escambia County to the harvest of saltwater fish, crabs and shrimp. Recreational catch and release is allowed.
- A SERT Toxicological Data Analysis Cell is providing consistent scientific assessments of collected data sampling to inform local and state decision making.
- The Agency for Workforce Innovation and Regional Workforce Boards are identifying and filling jobs related to the oil spill: **8,718 positions** advertised; **23,828 applicants** referred. Per BP: **4,524 individuals** trained and available.
- **91 Florida National Guard personnel on duty** at various duty posts in the Deepwater Horizon area of operations.
- **15,340 volunteers** have registered to respond to Deepwater Horizon.
- Florida has launched a national radio and print advertising campaign for Florida tourism.
- Conducting daily reconnaissance flights of the Gulf Coast and shoreline patrol from Escambia to Gulf Counties for impact. Real time reconnaissance reports are being entered into GATOR.
- **SERT is working with the Gulf counties to identify on shore vessel decontamination sites, pending approval by BP. There are currently 3 approved sites in the Panhandle with 1 under construction.**

Recovered Oiled Birds:

	Recovered alive*	Released	Died or euthanized	Still in Rehab	Recovered dead
6/26/10	8		2	44	0
Total	87	2	41		60

There has been 1 visibly oiled dolphin and 2 visibly oiled sea turtles rescued in Florida during the event.
*Primarily northern gannets and brown pelicans, pied-billed grebes.
See wildlife report updated daily by noon: <http://www.deepwaterhorizonresponse.com/go/doctype/2931/55963>

- The Boom Coordination Cell continues to coordinate additional boom requests. The Innovative Technology Cell continues to assess alternative clean-up technologies suggested by the public and stakeholders.
- The Small Business Administration has issued an Economic Injury Disaster Loan Declaration for the State of Florida. Disaster Loan Outreach Centers are open in 8 counties. As of June 25, 2010 Loan Applications:
 - Issued: 450 Accepted: 115 Declined: 24 Approved: 13
 - Loan amount approved: \$778,900.00

Local States of Emergency

- Escambia: Expires on 7/07/10
- Santa Rosa: Expires on 7/02/10
- Okaloosa: Concurrent with State
- Walton: Expires on 7/2/10
- Bay: Expires on 7/1/10
- Gulf: Expires on 6/29/10
- Franklin: Expires on 6/28/10
- Wakulla: Expires on 6/28/10
- Jefferson: Expires on 7/1/10
- Dixie: Expires on 7/1/10
- Sarasota: Expires on 6/29/10

County EOC Activations

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

