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Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill #73  
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**Deepwater Horizon Incident Update #73**  
(Highlighted sections indicate new information)

**Situation Update**

- **Navarre Beach and Santa Rosa's entire coastline is open for swimming and fishing.** Two links to live Web cams on Navarre Beach are available at [www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill](http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill) under the "Links for Visitors" tab.
- There are currently no swimming or fishing restrictions on Navarre Beach or anywhere in Santa Rosa County.
- Today, August 4, a tar ball was reported on Navarre Beach between beach walkovers number three and four. A few pieces of oiled debris were also reported.
- NOAA forecast oil trajectories continue to keep significant patches of oil remaining well south and west of Florida. Though no direct oil impacts are expected through Thursday, minor tar ball impacts are still possible. Offshore, no oil has been observed for several weeks.
- BP began the effort known as a static kill yesterday afternoon. After eight hours of pumping heavy drilling mud, the well appears to be static. Cement may be applied to fill the well over the next few days.
- Tropical Storm Colin degenerated into a tropical wave on Tuesday afternoon. There is a 20 percent chance that the remnants of Colin will redevelop into a tropical depression within the next 48 hours. Forecasts continue to show the system moving between the Bahamas and Bermuda this week. There is also a 20 percent chance that a tropical wave over the Central Caribbean Sea could develop over the next 48 hours.

**Health**

For more information visit [www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill](http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill) under the "Health" tab.

- University of West Florida shoreline water samples for August 2 showed no dissolved petroleum contaminants detected above what is normal at the Navarre Pier and at Santa Rosa Island.
- August 2 water sampling by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection showed no petroleum-related contaminants detected on Navarre Beach. There are two water samples planned for Thursday, August 5. Results will be available at <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/deepwaterhorizon/water.htm#counties>.
- The Department of Environmental Protection air quality index report for today, August 4 revealed that air quality was considered good for ozone and fine particulate concentrations in the panhandle. "Good" means the air quality is satisfactory and air pollution poses little or no risk. Additional results are available at <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/deepwaterhorizon/air.htm>.

**Booms**

For more information visit [www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill](http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill) under the "Local Action Plan" tab.

- Due to the reduced threat of oil to Florida's shores and sensitive environments, boom continues to be removed. Residents are asked to remember that protective boom is used to deflect heavy oil product and is not effective in preventing tar balls from washing ashore.

**BP Claims**

For more information, including how to file a claim, visit [www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill](http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill) under the "Claims" tab.

- BP claims in Florida total 36,189 with approximately \$54,506,087.78 paid.

- BP claims in Santa Rosa County total 4,517 with approximately \$7,491,250 paid.

### **Small Business Disaster & Bridge Loans**

*For more information visit [www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill](http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill) under the “Business” tab.*

- Total Loan Applications: Issued: 713, Accepted: 238, Declined: 93, Approved: 46  
Loan amount approved: \$4,633,000.00

### **Fishing**

*For more information visit [www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill](http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill) under the “Boating, Fishing and Wildlife” tab.*

- All Santa Rosa County waters are currently open to fishing.

### **Volunteer Information**

*For more information visit [www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill](http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill) under the “Volunteer” tab.*

### **Important Phone Numbers**

- **Florida Oil Spill Information Line**- is available from 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. EDT daily for citizen’s questions- 888- 337-3569
- **Fraud Hotline**- 1-866-966-7226
- **Submit Alternative Response Technology, or to Register as a Consultant, Contractor, or Vender of Services & Products**- email [horizonsupport@oegllc.com](mailto:horizonsupport@oegllc.com) or call 1-281-366-5511
- **Report Oiled Wildlife**- 1-866-557-1401
- **Report Oiled Shoreline to State Warning Point**- 1-877-2-SAVE-FL (1-877-272-8335) or #DEP from a cell phone
- **To Report Oiled Shoreline to BP**- 877-389-8932
- **BP Toll-Free Claims line**- 1800-440-0858
- **BP’s Community Information line**- 1-866-448-5816
- **Florida Agriculture and Consumer Services Commissioner gas price-gauging hotline**: 1-800-HELP-FLA (1-800-435-7352)
- **The Florida Poison Control Centers**- available for general health information regarding the oil spill and exposure to oil spill products- 1-800-222-1222
- **Florida Gulf Recovery Jobs**: 1-877-362-5034 or [www.floridagulfrecoveryjobs.com](http://www.floridagulfrecoveryjobs.com)

### **General Safety Information**

- [www.santarosa.fl.gov](http://www.santarosa.fl.gov)
- Citizens can sign up to automatically receive breaking news alerts from Santa Rosa County Emergency Management via e-mail or as a text message on their cell phone at:  
[www.santarosa.fl.gov/emergency/publicwarning.html](http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/emergency/publicwarning.html).
- The Santa Rosa County Citizen Information Line at (850) 983-INFO or 4636 is open 24 hours daily.

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