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Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill #71
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Deepwater Horizon Incident Update #71
(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 under the "Links for Visitors" tab.
- There are currently no swimming or fishing restrictions on Navarre Beach or anywhere in Santa Rosa County.
- Today, July 30, there were no tar balls or oiled debris reported on Navarre Beach.
- The NOAA oil spill trajectory shows the oil plume 175 miles from Pensacola, and 250 miles from Panama City.
- Although sporadic sightings of tar balls may continue, Florida's shoreline is not expected to receive additional impacts over the next 72 hours.
- A tropical wave in the eastern Caribbean Sea has a 10 percent chance of becoming an organized tropical system, while a tropical wave over the far eastern Atlantic Ocean has a 20 percent chance of becoming a tropical cyclone within the next 48 hours.
- On July 29, the State Emergency Response Team, in coordination with the U.S. Coast Guard officials and county partners, announced it will begin rightsizing Florida's response efforts to the Deepwater Horizon incident. Florida's emergency response officials will adjust staffing and resources based on the current needs, and maintain the ability to either increase or further reduce operations as necessary. For more information on Florida's response to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, visit www.deepwaterhorizonflorida.com or call the Florida Oil Spill Information Line at 888-337-3569.
- On July 29, Governor Crist announced BP will provide \$7 million to the Northwest Florida Travel Council for tourism marketing and advertising. On July 30, Governor Crist requested another \$50 million to complete a second round of a tourism marketing and advertising campaign.
- **In order to expedite responses to oiled wildlife, please contact the oiled wildlife hotline at 1-866-557-1401 if oiled wildlife is spotted. Qualified personnel will respond to the report. Please do not touch or try and clean oiled wildlife.**
- **Citizens are asked not to have direct contact with oil and oil contaminated products such as tar balls, tar patties, tar mats, and oil sheen. Only qualified members should handle oil products and oil contaminated materials. To report tar or oil on the beach, call the Florida State Warning Point Line at 1-877-272-8335 or # DEP from a cell phone.**

Health

For more information visit www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill under the "Health" tab.

- July 29 water testing by the University of West Florida showed no dissolved petroleum contaminants detected above what is normal at Navarre Beach Pier and Santa Rosa Island.
- July 26 water sampling by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection showed no petroleum-related contaminants at Navarre Beach Park. No product was observed in the water or shoreline. July 22 sampling showed no petroleum-related contaminants at the Navarre Beach Fishing Pier or Navarre Beach West. Results are available at <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/deepwaterhorizon/water.htm#counties>.
- The air quality index report for July 29 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>.

Santa Rosa County Actions

For more information view the Situation Report and Incident Action Plan at www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill under “What’s Hot” on the “Main” tab.

- County staff and reconnaissance teams continue to monitor beach conditions daily generally from day break until 6 p.m., weather permitting.
- The Division 1 Branch office is operational and located in Pensacola. It serves both Escambia and Santa Rosa counties, bringing together federal, state and local agencies to streamline response efforts. Santa Rosa County has had staff representation in the office since its implementation.

Booms

For more information visit www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill under the “Local Action Plan” tab.

- Oil containment boom (in feet) total: 42,461 deployed in Florida
 - Tier 1 & Tier 2: 384,800
 - Tier 3: 427,261 (deployed by Florida contractors)

BP Claims

For more information, including how to file a claim, visit www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill under the “Claims” tab.

- BP claims in Florida total 35,108 with approximately \$49,267,537.35 paid.
- BP claims in Santa Rosa County total 4,213 with approximately \$6,510,623 paid.

Small Business Disaster & Bridge Loans

For more information visit www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill under the “Business” tab.

Fishing

For more information visit www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill under the “Boating, Fishing and Wildlife” tab.

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

Vessels of Opportunity (Boats) Program

For more information visit www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill under the “Boating, Fishing and Wildlife” tab.

Volunteer Information

For more information visit 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 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

General Safety Information

- www.santarosa.fl.gov
- Citizens can signup 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.
- The Santa Rosa County Citizen Information Line at (850) 983-INFO or 4636 is open 24 hours daily.

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