



## DEEP WATER HORIZON/MISSISSIPPI CANYON 252

### Alabama Unified Command Briefing

#### SFOC SITUATION REPORT

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# Nearshore Surface Oil Forecast Deepwater Horizon MC252

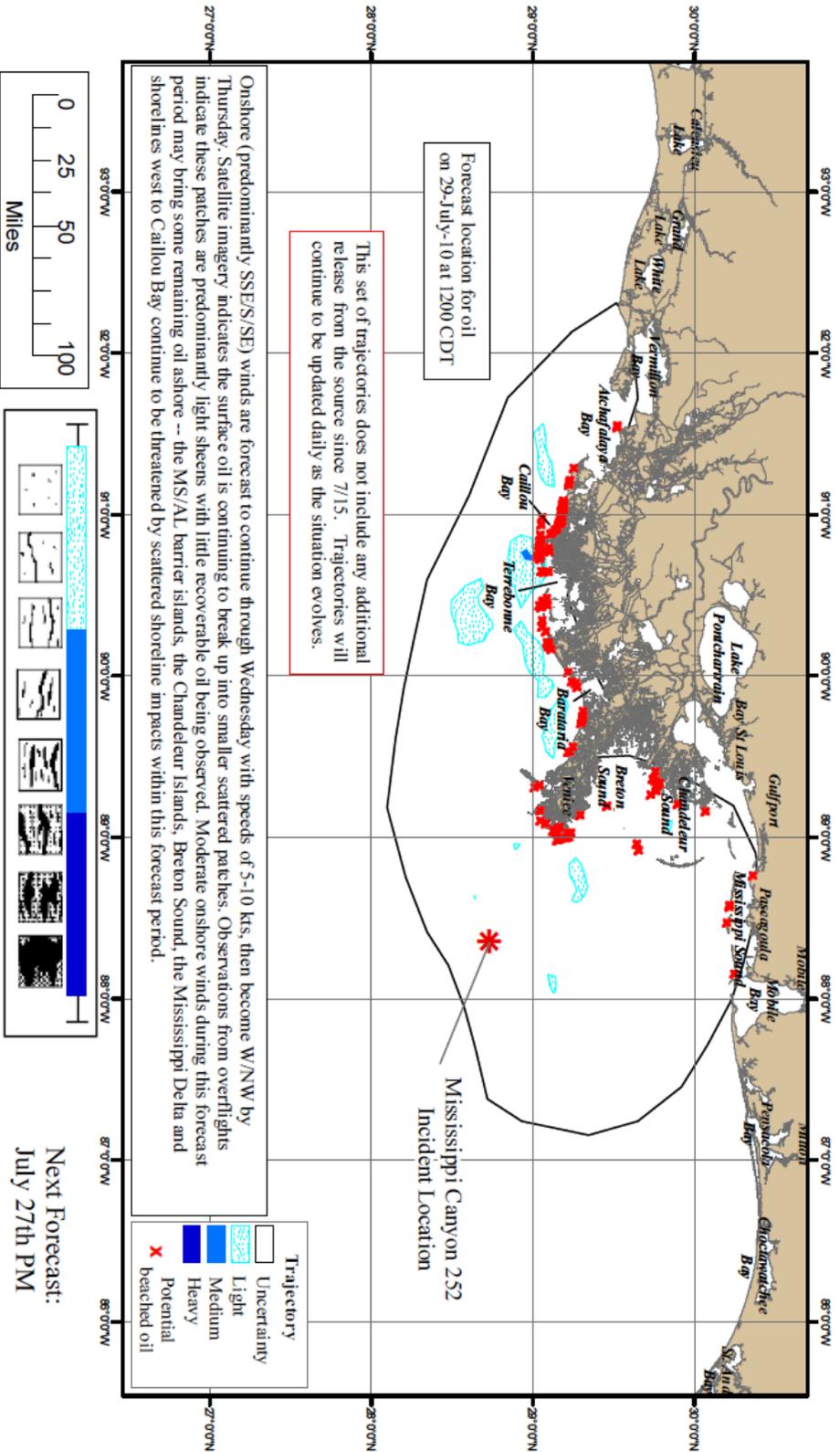
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Nearshore

Estimate for: 1200 CDT, Thursday, 7/29/10  
Date Prepared: 2000 CDT, Monday, 7/26/10



This forecast is based on the NW's spot forecast from Monday, July 26 PM. Currents were obtained from several models (NOAA Gulf of Mexico, West Florida Shelf/USE, TGL/OTAMU, NAVO/NRL) and HFR measurements. The model was initialized from Sunday-Monday satellite imagery analysis (NOAA/NESDIS) and Monday overflight observations. The leading edge may contain tarballs that are not readily observable from the imagery (hence not included in the model initialization). Oil near bay inlets could be brought into that bay by local tidal currents.



**State of Alabama Booming Update**  
**Area Contingency Plan (ACP) Locations Booming Update**

Total ACP Locations Statewide:	80
Total ACP Locations Completed:	73
Percent of ACP Complete:	91.3%

Maintenance and fortification of completed ACP points is occurring daily.

**Baldwin County ACP Locations Booming Update**

Total ACP Locations:	48
Total ACP Locations Completed:	42
Percent of ACP Complete:	87.5%

**Mobile County ACP Locations Booming Update**

Total ACP Locations:	32
Total ACP Locations Completed:	31
Percent of ACP Complete:	96.9%

Amount of Boom Deployed/Removed during previous day (feet) 0

[Source: ICP Mobile Deepwater Horizon (MC-252) Situational Brief Operational Period 98: 27 July 2010]

Amount of Boom Deployed by Unified Command Statewide (feet): 604,575

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**Situation Update**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The oil protective barriers (including the Perdido Pass rigid boom) that were removed because of the threat of a tropical storm impacting the Alabama coastal area are being staged in a secure location to protect them from weather-related damage. If further oil impacts are projected, officials will redeploy the barriers.

As of today there are 95 Vessels of Opportunity (VOO) on hire in Alabama. The VOO needs identified by the Alabama Operations Section calls for 168 VOOs to be on hire by this afternoon to meet the Unified Command future operational goals/objectives.

There are 12 skimmers in Nearshore Task Forces, 29 skimmers in Inland Water Strike Teams, and 2 skimmers in the U.S. Navy Inland Water Task Forces that are working in Alabama waters.

All Beach Cleaners assigned to the Baldwin and Mobile County Branches should be back in operation tonight.

All equipment and materials that were scheduled to be moved to inland areas as part of the severe weather contingency plan have been accomplished in Alabama. The inland site is located in

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Prichard, Alabama. This plan protects critical assets while keeping a 72 hour supply of resources in storm prone areas.

TRAJECTORY, 72 Hours:

Onshore (predominantly SSE/S/SE) winds are forecast to continue through Wednesday with speeds of 5-10 kts, then become W/NW by Thursday. Satellite imagery indicates the surface oil is continuing to break up into smaller scattered patches. Observations from overflights indicate these patches are predominantly light sheens with little recoverable oil being observed. Moderate onshore winds during this forecast period may bring some remaining oil ashore -- the MS/AL barrier islands, the Chandeleur Islands, Breton Sound, the Mississippi Delta and shorelines west to Caillou Bay continue to be threatened by scattered shoreline impacts within this forecast period. (<http://response.restoration.noaa.gov>).

SCAT:

SCAT Teams 2, 5, and 7 worked the Alabama coasts. SCAT Team 2 surveyed Dauphin Island. Fresh mousse balls and weathered mousse were observed. SCAT Team 5 surveyed Ft. Morgan. Fresh mousse balls were observed on 1% of the area covered. SCAT Team 7 surveyed Gulf Shores. Fresh and weathered mousse patties and balls were observed.

NAVIGATIONAL RESTRICTIONS:

Perdido Pass is open to all vessel traffic. A no wake zone has been established.

EDIBLE FISHES:

All Alabama oyster beds remain closed as a precaution.

The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Marine Resources Division announces that as of 6:00 am, Friday, July 23, 2010 the following waters will open to shrimping:

- Waters of Mobile Bay north of a line that extends east from Fort Gaines towards Fort Morgan where it intersects the Mobile Ship Channel (MSC), then runs north along the eastern edge of MSC to the charted position of MSC #22, then east to Little Point Clear.
- All Waters of Little Lagoon.
- Waters of Wolf Bay, Bay La Launch, and Arnica Bay west of a line that extends from Bear Point to Ross Point.

NOAA will re-open 26,388 square miles of Gulf waters to commercial and recreational fishing on Thursday. The reopening of a third of the overall closed area was announced after consultation with FDA and under a re-opening protocol agreed to by NOAA, the FDA, and the Gulf states.

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## **Weather Forecast**

### **TODAY**

SOUTHWEST WINDS 10 TO 15 KNOTS. SEAS 2 FEET. BAYS AND COASTAL WATERWAYS SMOOTH TO A LIGHT CHOP. SCATTERED SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS IN THE MORNING...THEN ISOLATED SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS IN THE AFTERNOON. 434 AM CDT TUE JUL 27 2010

### **TONIGHT**

SOUTHWEST WINDS 10 TO 15 KNOTS BECOMING WEST AROUND AFTER MIDNIGHT. SEAS 2 FEET. BAYS AND COASTAL WATERWAYS SMOOTH TO A LIGHT CHOP. 434 AM CDT TUE JUL 27 2010

### **WEDNESDAY**

NORTHWEST WINDS AROUND 10 KNOTS BECOMING WEST 10 TO 15 KNOTS IN THE LATE MORNING AND AFTERNOON. SEAS 2 FEET. BAYS AND COASTAL WATERWAYS SMOOTH TO A LIGHT CHOP. SLIGHT CHANCE OF SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS. 434 AM CDT TUE JUL 27 2010

### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT**

WEST WINDS 10 TO 15 KNOTS BECOMING NORTHWEST AROUND 15 KNOTS LATE. SEAS BUILDING TO 2 TO 3 FEET. BAYS AND COASTAL WATERWAYS A LIGHT TO MODERATE CHOP. SLIGHT CHANCE OF SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS. 434 AM CDT TUE JUL 27 2010

- Under light winds, sheens generally are more evident.

## **Skimming Operations**

- There are **65** independent vessels of opportunity (VOO) assigned to work Alabama waters. Of those, a total of **51** are working in surveillance and support functions and **14** are capable of skimming oil.
- There are also 12 vessels capable of skimming oil associated with Task Forces 2 & 4 working in Alabama waters.
- An additional 29 skimmers capable of skimming oil are associated with Inland Water Task Forces 5 & 6.
- The total number of vessels capable of skimming oil and working Alabama waters is **55**.

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## **Claims Information**

General Claims call 1-800-440-0858

### **Community Assistance**

(See the attached Event Summary in SITREP Reference Document for report printed on July 27, 2010)

- 26,598 Property damage claims were filed, primarily loss of income, 0 denied
- \$51,788,266 paid to date
  - \$23,104,816 in Wage Loss
  - \$ 2,518,940 Loss of Income (Shrimpers)
  - \$ 4,269,300 Loss of Income (Fisherman)
  - \$ 2,214,778 Loss of Income (Oysterman)
  - \$ 763,337 Loss of Income (Crabbers)