

Incident Command Post Matagorda
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Status as of:
23 APRIL 2014 / 1800
POC: Incident Commander: 361-533-3618

Executive Summary

Incident Command Post (ICP) Matagorda continues to productively manage response operations within the Sector Corpus Christi AOR. The Unified Command is comprised of representatives of the United States Coast Guard, the Texas General Land Office, Calhoun County, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Kirby Inland Marine. The ICP, located in Port O'Connor, Texas, currently oversees operations from South Matagorda Island to the Southwestern Border, Rio Grande River located in Brownsville, TX, which is over 185 miles of response activity. Staging areas are located in Port O'Connor, TX, Lamar TX and Matagorda Island.

Current Impacts:

- Oil consisting of small to large tarballs, patties and mats to a viscous black, tacky mass was intermittently distributed throughout surface oil debris, with the greatest impact to the South Matagorda Island shoreline.
- Response to oiled areas on Matagorda Island Matagorda Island (Aransas National Wildlife Refuge) threatens sensitive and endangered species habitat.

Potential Impacts:

- NTSR

Response Efforts:

- **South Matagorda Island:** Task Forces conducted manual and light mechanical removal of oily sand in segment 10:
 - Today 6 dump trucks were loaded with oiled sand and debris; approximately 1.25 miles were worked.
 - Today 13 dump trucks with oiled sand and debris were en route to the waste disposal facility in Alvin, TX.
 - As of 23APR14, a confirmed 5,245,080 lbs. of oiled sand has been deposited at the waste disposal facility in Alvin, TX.

Future Efforts/Plans:

- Plans to transition from Incident Command/Response to a Project Phase have been developed.

Impact Measurements:

- Wildlife Impacts to date, 187 individual animals have been collected and 71 confirmed visibly oiled.
- Matagorda Island Matagorda Island (Aransas National Wildlife Refuge), Sensitive Resources: Sensitive areas include the tidal flats, shell ridges and marshes that are home to Mottled Ducks, and the endangered Piping Plover, Kemp's Ridley Sea Turtle, Aplomado Falcon and Whooping Crane.

Clean-up Progress

- South Matagorda Island (Divisions 1, 2, and 3) were determined to have no oil impacts and were removed from consideration on 04APR14.
- South Matagorda Island (Divisions 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12) have been determined to be cleaned to the point where active removal operations could be terminated.
- Today, 23 April, manual and light mechanical removal of oily sand was conducted in Division 10.

Weather:

- Today's weather consisted of partly cloudy conditions with temps in the mid-60s in the morning, mid-70s in the afternoon. Winds were from the SE at 10-15kts.
- No rainfall is anticipated with sunny conditions continuing. Winds will be moderate from the SSE.

External Affairs:

- Public Affairs Support is accessible by phone for media relations. (281) 464-4810

Personnel / Agencies Involved: 325 total

- U.S. Coast Guard Strike Team (4 Persons)
- Other U.S. Coast Guard Units (4)
- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Refuge
- Texas General Land Office (TGLO)
- Calhoun County

Enclosures:

- (1) 1 Photo
- (2) 1 Map



Scaled down ICP to one mobile trailer

