

Sit report

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508 personnel are actively engaged in the response, working to protect wildlife and their habitats, including 36 national wildlife refuges. They are also assessing the damage from the oil spill in preparation for the work that will be needed to restore the Gulf of Mexico.

State and federal wildlife teams have captured alive 1,924 visibly oiled birds. Of those, 846 have been rehabilitated and released. In addition, 3,810 birds that were visibly oiled have been collected dead.

Air operations over Louisiana observed a one-mile-long patch of oil sheen northeast of Breton Island, and a much smaller patch east of the Mississippi River Gulf Outlet. Clean-up crews were working at Southeast Pass, Pass-a-Loutre and just south of the Mississippi outlet. In addition, displaced booms were observed in Terrebonne, Timbalier and Barataria Bays, with oiled boom leaching into Barataria Bay.

Turtle surveys and nest relocation efforts to Florida continued at Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuge in Alabama.

Personnel Involved

Overall personnel involved: 28,277

Response Vessels

Total vessels responding: 4,254

Boom Data

Total boom deployed: more than 2,095 miles

Boom available: 932 miles

Oil Recovered

Oily water recovered: more than 34.7 million gallons

Amount estimated burned: 11.14 million gallons

Dispersant

Surface dispersant used: 1.07 million gallons

Subsea dispersant used: more than 771,000 gallons

Total dispersant used: approximately 1.84 million gallons

Shoreline Impacted

Shoreline impacted over last 24 hours: approximately 672 miles of Gulf Coast shoreline is currently oiled—approximately 375 miles in Louisiana, 117 miles in Mississippi, 72 miles in Alabama, and 108 miles in Florida.