

City of Orange Beach—Information BP / Deepwater Horizon Incident Oil Spill



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As of this release, there is no impact along our coastline from the oil spill. According to NOAA forecasts, no shoreline impact is expected for at least 72 hours.

The City has scheduled a second general information meeting on Wednesday, May 12, 2010 at 12pm at the Orange Beach Council Chambers. This will give citizens the opportunity to be updated by the Mayor and other City Leaders about the City's response and action plan.



NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) is issuing an amendment to the emergency regulations published on May 6, 2010, to revise the portion of the Gulf of Mexico exclusive economic zone (EEZ) that is closed to all fishing, due to the evolving nature of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. The initial closure was applicable May 2, 2010 through 12:01 a.m., local time, May 12, 2010. This revised fisheries closure supercedes the original closure and is effective from May 7, 2010 through 12:01 a.m., local time, May 17, 2010, unless conditions allow NMFS to terminate it sooner.

Booms are off the Beach. With cooperation between the City of Orange Beach and BP subcontractors, the booms have been removed from the beaches. Some had washed ashore and been buried under the sand. These booms had not been deployed, just staged, but now they have been moved so they can be examined, repaired and redeployed.

Training information update: the only confirmed training sessions that we know of right now are at the Pensacola Civic Center for the basic 4 hour class. Contact 850-471-6600 or www.bereadyescambia.com for times and more info. The classes are open to all, not just Escambia County residents. We are trying to schedule classes in Orange Beach and will post the info as soon as they are scheduled.

The FBI that 866-720-5721 is accepting tips regarding Fraud associated with the oil spill.



These pictures were taken today at Cotton Bayou Beach Access. It was a little hazy today, but is shaping up to be a great weekend. Welcome Widespread Panic and Fans!



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