

## **BP Update on Mississippi Coastline Response Activities 7AM - May 13, 2010**

BP's CEO Tony Hayward and Managing Director Bob Dudley met with Governor Barbour, Lt. Governor Phil Bryant, DMR Executive Director Dr. Bill Walker and DEQ Executive Director Trudy Fisher and other state officials on Wednesday, May 12 in Biloxi to provide an update and answer questions.

### **Shoreline protection**

An extensive shoreline protection plan continues to be implemented with hard boom and sorbent being deployed along the environmental sensitive areas of the Mississippi coast as identified and prioritized by the DEQ and DMR. To date, about **321,000 ft has been deployed to protect sensitive areas along the Mississippi coast (no oil from the Gulf spill has been reported in state waters so far).**

### **Vessels of Opportunity**

BP has held **9 Vessels of Opportunity Safety & Induction training sessions** in Mississippi, including one with Vietnamese interpreters on hand.

On **Thursday May 13**, a class will be held:

Harrison County  
MGCCC Fine Arts Auditorium  
2226 Switzer Rd.  
Gulfport, MS

To date **2,123 vessel owners, captains and crew members have participated** in the training across Mississippi. About **494** vessel owners in Mississippi have submitted **charter agreements** and about **247 contracts have been activated**. Eligible vessels are being compensated for their assistance.

Participants in the "Vessel of Opportunity" program assist the response by manning boats in a variety of activities, including transporting supplies, assisting with wildlife rescue, as well as towing and deploying absorbent booms. The training covers such areas as oil spill response safety, boom towing and handling, and vessel coordination.

### **Local Hiring:**

Approximately **2,000 people from Mississippi have been hired** to date for in-state response to the oil spill incident.

The Mississippi Department of Employment Security is accepting applications for jobs in Mississippi related to the oil spill. You can apply for job openings by contacting the local WIN Job Center or online at: <http://mdes.ms.gov/Home/docs/Oil%20Spill/OilSpill.jsp>

### **Community Outreach**

BP has **three Community Outreach Offices open in Mississippi**. The offices are open to provide information to the local communities and to respond to questions and concerns as they arise. Each office receives about **100 walk-ins/day** seeking information on the response, claims process and the VOO program.

On Wednesday, May 12, BP participated in several meetings with Mississippi stakeholders to provide updates and answer questions, meetings included **Mississippi Coast Tourism partners, NAACP, and a town hall sponsored by the Sierra Club and the Steps Coalition in partnership with the city of Ocean Springs.**

<b>Mississippi Community Outreach Offices</b>		
<b>HANCOCK COUNTY</b>	<b>HARRISON COUNTY</b>	<b>JACKSON COUNTY</b>
454 Highway 90, Suite K Waveland, MS 39576 HOURS: 8 am – 5 pm	1141 Bayview Avenue Biloxi, MS 39530 HOURS: 8 am – 5 pm	710 Delmas Avenue Pascagoula, MS 39567 HOURS: 8 am – 5 pm

**Claims**

Total of **1004 claims have been filed in Mississippi and more than \$552,500 in claims have been paid to date** (cob May 12, 2010).

- To file a claim, **first contact the claims** line at 1-800-440-0858. The claims line is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Each claim will be assigned a claims number and an adjuster.
- Adjusters will request documentation (e.g. driver’s license, boat registrations, commercial fishing licenses, catch tickets, tax returns) to substantiate a claim.
- Adjustors will review documentation and either submit the claim for payment or assign the individual to a local claims representative.
- Claimants who are assigned to a local claims representative will be scheduled for a visit at one of the Mississippi claims offices.
- Please note that the claims offices can not process claims without a claims number. Claims numbers are only provided via the 1-800 claims line.

<b>Mississippi Claims Offices</b>	
920 Cedar Lake Road Suite K Biloxi, MS 39532 HOURS: 7 AM – 7 PM	5912 Old Mobile Highway Pascagoula, MS 39581 HOURS: 8 AM – 4 PM

Please check [www.deepwaterhorizonresponse.com](http://www.deepwaterhorizonresponse.com) for a regular updates on the spill and the response.

**Phone numbers:**

Submit Claims: 800-440-0858

Report oiled Wildlife: 866-557-1401

Report oiled Shoreline: 866-448-5816

Alternative technology, services or products: 281-366-1555

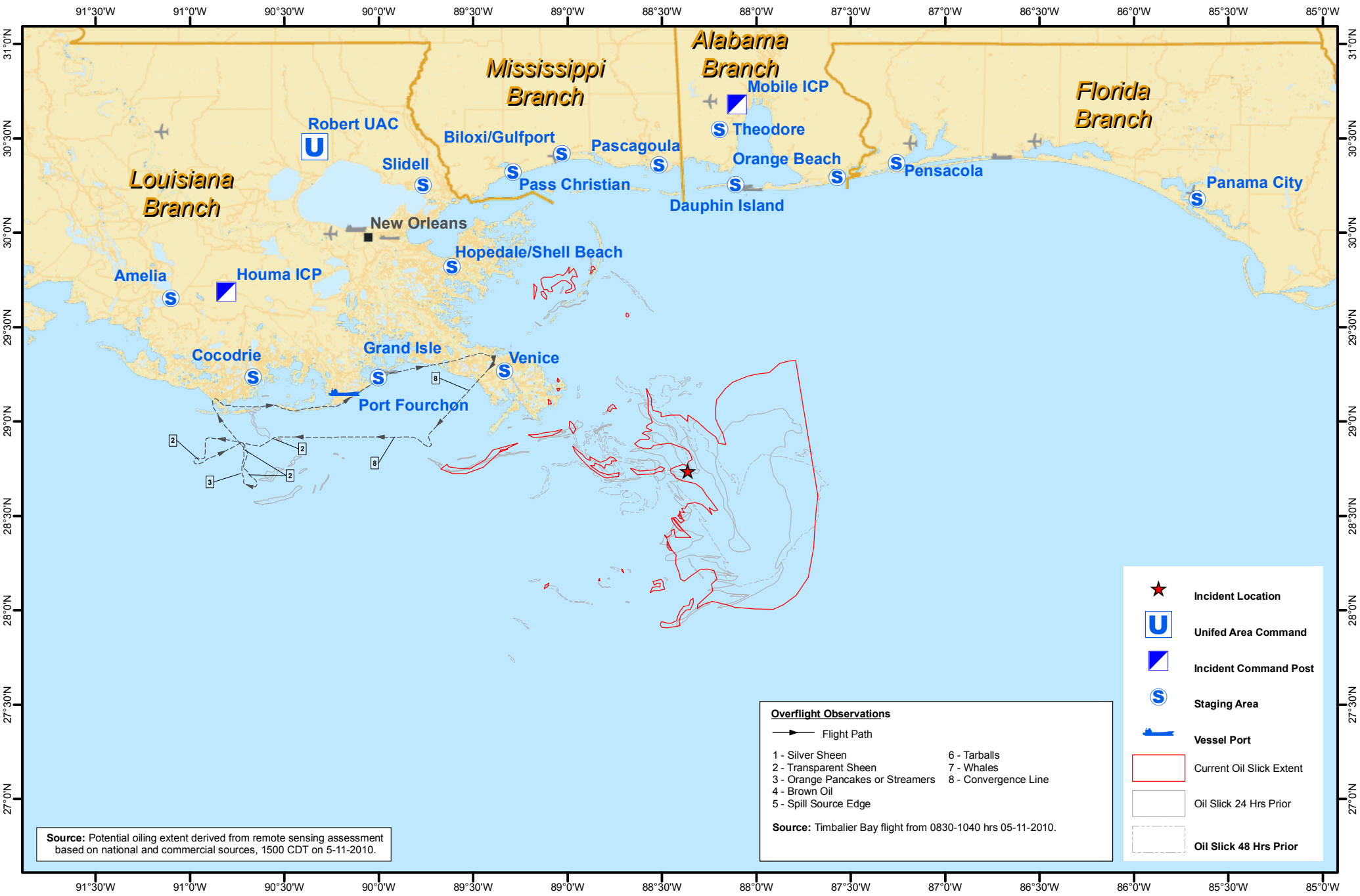
Vessels of Opportunity: 281-366-1555

Volunteer 866-448-5816

Register with the MS Commission for Volunteer Service for non-paid volunteer opportunities at [www.mcvs.org](http://www.mcvs.org).

# Deepwater Horizon (MC-252) - Situation Status Map

5/12/2010 0600 Hrs



Source: Potential oiling extent derived from remote sensing assessment based on national and commercial sources, 1500 CDT on 5-11-2010.

**Overflight Observations**

Flight Path

1 - Silver Sheen	6 - Tarballs
2 - Transparent Sheen	7 - Whales
3 - Orange Pancakes or Streamers	8 - Convergence Line
4 - Brown Oil	
5 - Spill Source Edge	

Source: Timbalier Bay flight from 0830-1040 hrs 05-11-2010.

For Official Use Only

