



## **RESOURCES**

The huge oil spill from the rig explosion in the Gulf of Mexico could become a disaster for the coastal areas. Here are resources for news, volunteer opportunities, employment and other information that YOU can use.

### **NEWS**

CNN [www.cnn.com/2010/US/04/30/impact.oil.spill/](http://www.cnn.com/2010/US/04/30/impact.oil.spill/)

Mobile Register [blog.al.com/live/index.html](http://blog.al.com/live/index.html)

NBC 15 [www.localtv15.com](http://www.localtv15.com)

News Now <http://classic.newsnow.co.uk/h/Hot+Topics/Gulf+of+Mexico+Oil+Spill>

OneStorm GovLive <http://www.govlive.com/>

Storm Smart News

Alabama: <http://al.stormsmartcoasts.org/>

Mississippi: <http://ms.stormsmartcoasts.org/>

Florida: <http://fl.stormsmartcoasts.org/>

### **REPORT OIL CLEAN-UP/PREVENTION SCAMS**

Alabama Attorney General's Office 334.242.7300

Mississippi Attorney General' Office 1.800.281.4418

### **USEFUL WEBSITES**

Alabama Coastal Foundation [www.joinacf.org](http://www.joinacf.org)

BP Spill Response [www.epa.gov/bpspill/](http://www.epa.gov/bpspill/)

Deepwater Horizon Response [www.deepwaterhorizonresponse.com](http://www.deepwaterhorizonresponse.com)

Escambia County Disaster Response [www.EscambiaDisasterResponse.com](http://www.EscambiaDisasterResponse.com)

Mobile Baykeeper [www.mobilebaykeeper.org](http://www.mobilebaykeeper.org)

Mobile Bay NEP [www.mobilebaynep.com](http://www.mobilebaynep.com)

National Wildlife Federation

[www.nwf.org/Wildlife/Wildlife.Conservation/Threats.to.Wildlife/Oil.Spill.aspx](http://www.nwf.org/Wildlife/Wildlife.Conservation/Threats.to.Wildlife/Oil.Spill.aspx)

NOAA Office of Response & Restoration <http://response.restoration.noaa.gov/index.php>

Social media [www.facebook.com/SaveTheGulfofMexico.com](http://www.facebook.com/SaveTheGulfofMexico.com)

### **EMPLOYMENT**

Alabama [www.joblink.alabama.gov](http://www.joblink.alabama.gov)

Florida [www.floridajobs.org](http://www.floridajobs.org)

Mississippi [www.ajb.org/ms/](http://www.ajb.org/ms/)

Louisiana [www.laworks.net](http://www.laworks.net)

### **VOLUNTEER/DONATE**

Alabama Coastal Foundation 251.990.6002

Alabama Statewide Volunteer number 211

BP Volunteer Training 1.866.647.2338

- Monday-Friday through June, Mobile Civic Center, 401 Auditorium Dr., Mobile, AL
- 8am-2pm, Paraprofessionals
- 3-5pm, Public

- 6-8pm, Public
- Limited to 200/session, reservations required

City of Fairhope 251.929.1406

Coastal Conservation Association 251.478.3474

Donate hair for booms [www.matteroftrust.org](http://www.matteroftrust.org)

Mobile Baykeeper 251.433.4229

Mobile Bay NEP 251.431.6409

Oil Spill Volunteers [www.oilspillvolunteers.com/](http://www.oilspillvolunteers.com/)

Pascagoula River Audubon Center [www.pascagoula.river.audubon.org](http://www.pascagoula.river.audubon.org)

Report oil on land/volunteer information 1.866.448.5816

### **PHONE NUMBERS/HOTLINES**

Claims 1.800.440.0858

Joint Information Center 262.348.4108 or 262.348.4109

National Center for Disaster Fraud 1.866.720.5721

National Response Center 1.800.424.8802

Soiled Wildlife 1.866.557.1401

### **DONT's & DO's**

If you plan to volunteer to assist in any clean-up activities, here are some tips from environmental professionals:

- DO NOT remove any live plants. Simply remove any garbage, large shells, drift wood, etc. Debris should be moved up beyond where wave and tides can reach.
- DO NOT do anything with oily water, tar balls, and other oil-related issues.
- DO receive hazardous material training from organizations coordinating volunteers.
- DO report soiled, oily wildlife.

### **Additional "Don't's & Do's"**

- If you're a resident or property owner with water access, DO take photos and/or videos of your property including shoreline, structures, seawalls, docks, lifts, boats and anything that may come in contact with the oiled water.
- DO avoid direct skin contact with oil, oil-contaminated water and sediments.
- DO NOT swim or ski in areas affected by the oil spill, and if you travel through the area by boat, take precautions when hoisting the boat anchor. If you get oil on your skin, wash it off immediately with soap and water.
- DO NOT fish in the oil spill-affected waters.
- DO NOT harvest and eat dead fish, fish with oily residue or fish that have a petroleum odor.
- DO NOT drive your boat through slicks or sheens.
- Young children, pregnant women, people with compromised immune systems and individuals with underlying respiratory conditions should avoid the area.
- DO restrict pets from entering oil-contaminated areas.

### **BRITISH PETROLEUM (BP)**

Gulf of Mexico Response [www.bp.com/productlanding.do?categoryId=40&contentId=7061696](http://www.bp.com/productlanding.do?categoryId=40&contentId=7061696)