Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy Teas [Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 03, 2010 8:40 PM
To: Michael Ziccardi; Barbara.Schroeder; Teri Rowles; Sheryan.Epperly; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Blair E Mase
Subject: 5/3 Strandings Update - Non-Oiled Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.x...

Attached is the Excel file updated for turtle stranding reports through 5/3/10. There were 8 Kemp's ridleys recovered in the Pass Christian / Bay St. Louis, MS area (3 of which were necropsied as part of the 5 necropsies done by Lisa today at IMMS). There was one additional turtle reported to the Wildlife Hotline of a turtle in Pass Christian, MS (bad call-back number so exact location could not be confirmed) - this turtle was likely one of the 8 picked up in the same area and was NOT included in the Excel file. There were 3 turtles reported today in LA and 2 in AL - details on these can be found in the Excel file. This makes a total of 38 non-oiled strandings reported between 4/30 and 5/3/10.

Please let me know if there are any questions.

Wendy

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara.Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 03, 2010 11:21 PM
To: Brian Stacy
Subject: daily update

Attachments: MMST Health and Stranding Update 05-03-10.docx; MMST Totals 5-3-10.xls

MMST Health and Stranding Upda... MMST Totals 5-3-10.xls (41 KB)...

here's what we sent today, the spreadsheet is likely going to be modified as we figure out how best to report, but see the draft categories Teri and Mike developed, feedback welcome I'm sure

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov
Sent: Tuesday, May 04, 2010 3:19 PM
To: Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov
Subject: Fwd: Re: Another press question

Attachments: Re: Another press question

Re: Another press question

Stacy,Brian A

From: Trevor Spradlin [Trevor.Spradlin@noaa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 06, 2010 10:18 AM
To: GOMMMST2010@noaa.gov
Subject: [Fwd: PRESS RELEASE: NOAA update on sea turtle stranding in the Gulf of Mexico]

Attachments: PRESS RELEASE: NOAA update on sea turtle stranding in the Gulf of Mexico.eml

PRESS RELEASE:
NOAA update on ...

FYI, this was released yesterday

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov
Sent: Friday, May 07, 2010 1:29 PM
To: Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov
Subject: Fwd: Re: Turtle statement with Eric's edits

Attachments: Re: Turtle statement with Eric's edits

Re: Turtle
tatement with Eric..

here's what I sent back

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Friday, May 07, 2010 9:34 PM
To: Barbara.Schroeder; Michael Ziccardi; Teri Rowles; Sheryan.Epperly; Chris Sasso; Lisa Belskis; Brian Stacy; David Bernhart; Michael Barnette; Bob hoffman; erin fougeres
Subject: 5/7 Strandings Update - Non-oiled Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.x...

10 strandings reported
1 each in LA and AL
8 in MS

see attached Excel file

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Friday, May 07, 2010 10:27 PM
To: Barbara.Schroeder; Michael Ziccardi; Teri Rowles; Sheryan.Epperly; Chris Sasso; Lisa Belskis; Brian Stacy; David Bernhart; Michael Barnette; Bob hoffman; erin fougeres
Subject: 5/7 Strandings Update - Non-oiled Turtles

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Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.x...

With correct attachment this time.

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Saturday, May 08, 2010 9:57 PM
To: Barbara.Schroeder; Michael Ziccardi; Teri Rowles; Sheryan.Epperly; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Michael Barnette; David Bernhart; Bob hoffman; erin fougeres; Elizabeth Tuohy-Sheen
Subject: 5/8 Strandings Update - Non-Oiled Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.x...

Today's reports:

LA - 1
MS - 7
AL - 1 (+2 reports from 5/2 added to table) FL - 3 - 1 was alive

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara.Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Saturday, May 08, 2010 11:21 PM
To: Brian T Pawlak; John Foret; Michael S Gallagher; Jenni Wallace; Lauren B Lugo; ICC.NMFS@noaa.gov; John Oliver; Connie Barclay
Cc: Trevor Spradlin; Helen Golde; Teri Rowles; Michael Ziccardi; Jaclyn.Taylor@noaa.gov; Brian Stacy; Janet Whaley; David Cottingham
Subject: Daily Update 5/8/10 Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Health and Stranding Response - BP Deepwater Horizon Spill

Attachments: MMST_Totals_5-8-10.xls; MMST Health and Stranding Update 05-08-10.doc

MMST_Totals_5-8-10.xls (35 KB)... MMST Health and Stranding Upda...

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Sunday, May 09, 2010 9:13 PM
To: Barbara.Schroeder; Michael Ziccardi; Teri Rowles; Sheryan.Epperly; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Michael Barnette; David Bernhart; Bob hoffman; erin fougeres; Elizabeth Tuohy-Sheen; Karen.Mitchell
Subject: 5/9 Strandings Update - Non-oiled Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.x...

Only 4 reported today, all Kemp's in MS.

See attached Excel file.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Monday, May 10, 2010 9:37 PM
To: Barbara.Schroeder; Michael Ziccardi; Teri Rowles; Sheryan.Epperly; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Michael Barnette; David Bernhart; Bob hoffman; erin fougeres; Elizabeth Tuohy-Sheen; Karen.Mitchell
Subject: 5/10 Strandings Update - Non-oiled Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.x...

FL - 1 adult loggerhead
AL - 2 turtles, unidentified species for now MS - 3 turtles - 2 Kemp's reported today, 1 loggerhead initially reported on Horn Island on 5/8/10 LA - 2 turtles from Grand Isle and Elmer's Island, unidentified species for now; 6 Kemp's found in western LA where 13 miles of beach were surveyed - 1 of these turtles initially reported on 5/8/10

See attached Excel file.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara.Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 10, 2010 9:58 PM
To: Brian Stacy
Subject: [Fwd: USGS wildlife health center staff]

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: USGS wildlife health center staff
Date: Mon, 10 May 2010 21:16:28 -0400
From: Teri Rowles <Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov>
To: Michael Ziccardi <mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu>, Barbara Schroeder <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>, Teri Rowles <Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov>, Sarah Wilkin <Sarah.Wilkin@noaa.gov>, Jaclyn Taylor <Jaclyn.Taylor@noaa.gov>

Talked with Jonathan regarding USGS staff working on the spill response. They are available and ready to assist. Talked with him about Thierry Work coming out on a rotation with us to do turtle necropsies. He will talk with Thierry and find out availability. We can add him to our rotation plan.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Teri Rowles [Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 10, 2010 10:09 PM
To: thierry_work@usgs.gov
Cc: 'Jonathan M Sleeman'; 'GS-B-NWHC LT'; nwhc_oilspillcoord@usgs.gov; 'Patricia R Bright'; 'David P Bornholdt'; 'William H Werkheiser'; 'Daniel K Cavanaugh'; 'Marjorie S Davenport'; 'Sonya A Jones'; 'Jess D Weaver'; 'Leon M Carl'; 'Hedy J Rossmeissl'; 'Susan D Haseltine'; 'Christopher J Brand'; 'Brian Stacy'
Subject: Re: DEEPOIL: NOAA Request for Assistance with Sea Turtle Necropsies

Excellent Thierry. Brian will be doing the rotation schedule, I am doing the staffing needs for people for 60 days out. Brian will then call when he needs assistance. I was talking with Jonathan to make sure USGS NWHC can respond. Every agency does things differently here!
THANK YOU

thierry_work wrote:
> Hi All:
>
> I spoke with Brian Stacy at NOAA about this last Sunday. I'll be out
> of the country 18 may-7 June but am available to help thereafter.
>
> Best.
>
> Thierry M. Work
> Wildlife Disease Specialist
> USGS-NWHC-HFS
> PO Box 50167
> 300 Ala Moana Blvd. Room 5-231
> Honolulu, HI 96850, USA
> tel: 808 792-9520
> Fax: 808 792-9596
> Email: thierry_work@usgs.gov
> Web:www.nwhc.usgs.gov/hfs/Homepage.htm
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Jonathan M Sleeman [mailto:jsleeman@usgs.gov]
> Sent: Monday, May 10, 2010 3:36 PM
> To: Thierry M Work
> Cc: GS-B-NWHC LT; teri.rowles@noaa.gov; nwhc_oilspillcoord@usgs.gov;
> Patricia R Bright; David P Bornholdt; William H Werkheiser; Daniel K
> Cavanaugh; Marjorie S Davenport; Sonya A Jones; Jess D Weaver; Leon M
> Carl; Hedy J Rossmeissl; Susan D Haseltine
> Subject: DEEPOIL: NOAA Request for Assistance with Sea Turtle
> Necropsies
> Importance: High
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> Hi Thierry,
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> I received a request from Dr. Teri Rowles (NOAA Coordinator, Marine
> Mammal Health and Stranding Program, who is currently stationed at the
> Command Center in Houma, LA) for potential assistance with necropsies
> on sea turtles in the Gulf Coast region. Thus, at your earliest
> convenience please send her the dates you would be available in the
> next 60 days for a
> 7-14 day rotation to provide assistance.
>
> I will forward you some emails regarding procedures for recording time
> and expenses related to any deployment you may make. In addition, you

> will probably be required to take HAZWOPPER and other training if you
> are not already certified. Again, I will send you the relevant information.
> Thanks for your willingness to assist with this event.
>
> Scott, if any of our other pathologists have sea turtle experience,
> perhaps we can also check on their availability to assist?
>
> Best wishes,
>
> Jonathan
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> Jonathan Sleeman, MA, VetMB, Dipl. ACZM, Dipl. ECZM, MRCVS Center
> Director USGS, National Wildlife Health Center
> 6006 Schroeder Road
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> Tel: (608) 270 2401
> Fax: (608) 270 2415
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Kate Sardi Sampson [Kate.Sampson@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2010 11:53 AM
To: Wendy Teas; Teri Rowles; Stacy,Brian A; Mendy Garron
Subject: oil spill personnel update

Attachments: Oil Spill Response Personnel updated 5-11-10.xls; Kate_Sampson.vcf

Oil Spill Response Personnel u... Kate_Sampson.vcf (413 B)

Hi everyone- Attached is the latest personnel spreadsheet. Not much different from last time. Thanks a lot, Kate

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara.Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2010 11:40 PM
To: Robert Hoffman; Brian Stacy; Sara McNulty; Alexis Gutierrez; Tanya.Dobrzynski; Sheryan Epperly; Wendy Teas; Chris Sasso; Liz Tuohy-Sheen
Subject: [Fwd: Daily Update 5/11/10 Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Health and Stranding Response - BP Deepwater Horizon Spill]

Attachments: MMST Health and Stranding Update 05-11-10 FINAL.doc; MMST_Totals_REVISED Format 5-11-10.xls

MMST Health and Stranding Upda... MMST_Totals_REVISED Format 5-1...

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Daily Update 5/11/10 Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Health and Stranding Response - BP Deepwater Horizon Spill
Date: Tue, 11 May 2010 20:35:25 -0700
From: Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov
To: Brian T Pawlak <Brian.T.Pawlak@noaa.gov>, John Foret <John.Foret@noaa.gov>, Michael S Gallagher <Michael.S.Gallagher@noaa.gov>, Jenni Wallace <Jenni.Wallace@noaa.gov>, Lauren B Lugo <Lauren.B.Lugo@noaa.gov>, ICC.NMFS@noaa.gov, John.Oliver@noaa.gov
CC: Laura.Engleby@noaa.gov, David.Bernhart@noaa.gov, erin.fougeres@noaa.gov, Blair.Mase@noaa.gov, "Barbara.Schroeder" <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>, Trevor.Spradlin@noaa.gov, Helen Golde <Helen.Golde@noaa.gov>, Janet Whaley <Janet.Whaley@noaa.gov>, David Cottingham <David.Cottingham@noaa.gov>, Michael Ziccardi <mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu>, Jaclyn.Taylor@noaa.gov, Sarah Wilkin <Sarah.Wilkin@noaa.gov>

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Please let us know if you have any questions.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Wednesday, May 12, 2010 9:41 PM
To: Teri Rowles; Michael Ziccardi; Barbara.Schroeder; Sarah Wilkin; Jaclyn Taylor; Sheryan.Epperly; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Michael Barnette; David Bernhart; Bob hoffman; erin fougeres; Elizabeth Tuohy-Sheen; Karen.Mitchell
Subject: 5/12 Strandings Update - Non-oiled Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.x...

11 strandings reported today
FL - 1 CC - adult
AL - 0; 1 late report added for yesterday - LK in Mobile Bay MS - 6 LK LA - 4 LK

Please also note that the turtle that stranded alive in FL on 5/8/10 died in rehab w/in 24 hours - it should be noted on summary table

See attached Excel file.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 13, 2010 9:58 PM
To: Barbara.Schroeder; Michael Ziccardi; Teri Rowles; Sheryan.Epperly; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Michael Barnette; David Bernhart; Bob hoffman; erin fougeres; Elizabeth Tuohy-Sheen; Karen.Mitchell; Sarah Wilkin; Jaclyn Taylor
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Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.x...

11 strandings reported today

FL - 1
AL - 4; 1 of these was a fresh dead "pelagic" green turtle according to Jackie MS - 1 LA - 5; 1 of these was reported as a hawksbill - need to verify w/photos

See attached Excel file.

Stacy,Brian A

From:	Michael Ziccardi [mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu]
Sent:	Friday, May 14, 2010 9:09 AM
To:	Wendy Teas
Cc:	Stacy,Brian A; Sheryan Epperly; Koperski, Meghan; mvh525@aol.com; nancy mettee; Stamper, Andy M; Walsh,Michael T; nancy@marinelife.org; cbeluga@earthlink.net; Brian Stacy; Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov; Foley, Allen; Trindell, Robbin; Teri Rowles; Chris Sasso; Meylan, Anne
Subject:	Re: Sea turtle de-oiling/washing guidelines
Attachments:	WB-Mammal Turtle Unit Personnel 14 May.pdf; ATT00001..htm; Mammal Turtle ICS 12 May.pdf; ATT00002..htm

WB-Mammal Turtle Unit Personne... ATT00001..htm (211 B) Mammal Turtle ICS 12 May.pdf (... ATT00002..htm (18 KB)

Also, I am attaching the most recent org chart and comm list for the mammal/turtle group for the response. If you have any questions or concerns on any aspect of the response, these are the lead people identified for each area. I just realized that are quite a few new people on this message that may not be aware of the organizational structure we are following for the effort. Thx all!

Mike

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Thx Wendy.

As to process, if you have suggested edits of the care protocols, pls get these to Brian (ccing Barbara and I) as he is leading the medical/necropsy aspects of the turtle response. He, Barbara and I will then make the final determination of what is to be included and we will then send out the revised versions.

On intake/log forms, pls work directly w/ me. I will then approve them as needed and send them out, and incorporate them into the final, final protocol versions (and I will begin to add a date to these).

Thx all.

MZ

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara.Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Friday, May 14, 2010 10:18 AM
To: Robert Hoffman; David Bernhart; Sheryan Epperly; Wendy Teas; Liz Tuohy-Sheen; Sandy MacPherson; Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov; Laura Engleby
Subject: [Fwd: Daily Update 5/13/10 Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Health and Stranding Response - BP Deepwater Horizon Spill]

Attachments: MMST Health and Stranding Update 05-13-10 final.doc; MMST Totals 13 May.xls

MMST Health and Stranding Upda... MMST Totals 13 May.xls (68 KB)...

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Daily Update 5/13/10 Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Health and Stranding Response - BP Deepwater Horizon Spill
Date: Thu, 13 May 2010 23:29:11 -0400
From: Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov
To: Connie Barclay <Connie.Barclay@noaa.gov>, Brian T Pawlak <Brian.T.Pawlak@noaa.gov>, John Foret <John.Foret@noaa.gov>, Michael S Gallagher <Michael.S.Gallagher@noaa.gov>, Jenni Wallace <Jenni.Wallace@noaa.gov>, Lauren B Lugo <Lauren.B.Lugo@noaa.gov>, icc nmfs <ICC.NMFS@noaa.gov>, John.Oliver@noaa.gov, Trevor.Spradlin@noaa.gov
CC: Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov, Helen Golde <Helen.Golde@noaa.gov>, Janet Whaley <Janet.Whaley@noaa.gov>, David Cottingham <David.Cottingham@noaa.gov>, Michael Ziccardi <mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu>, Jaclyn.Taylor@noaa.gov, Sarah Wilkin <Sarah.Wilkin@noaa.gov>

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2010-00512 emailOPR000227MO

Stacy,Brian A

From: Michael Ziccardi [mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu]
Sent: Saturday, May 15, 2010 4:07 PM
To: Teri Rowles; Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov Schroeder; Stacy,Brian A; Sarah Wilkin; Blair Mase; Janet Whaley; Trevor Spradlin; Erin Fougeres
Subject: Draft Path Additions to Table

Attachments: Mammal_Turtle_Data_14_May.xls; ATT00001..htm

Mammal_Turtle_Dat a_14_May.xls ... ATT00001..htm (6 KB)

Here is a first draft of the summary table w/ path info added. Thx to Brian for the text and the data! Comments?

MZ

Stacy,Brian A

From: Janet Whaley [Janet.Whaley@noaa.gov]
Sent: Saturday, May 15, 2010 4:42 PM
To: Michael Ziccardi
Cc: Teri Rowles; Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov Schroeder; Stacy,Brian A; Sarah Wilkin; Blair Mase; Trevor Spradlin; Erin Fougeres
Subject: Re: Draft Path Additions to Table

Thanks Mike,

My recommendation based on what we discussed this am is to include the criteria and process that you all developed to make determinations. Also, what is the step by step process from stranding surveillance to processing tissues and reporting results - "soup to nuts". This could include process of surveillance, reporting strandings, response, necropsy or rehab, tissues collection, tissue analysis plan, and reporting results. Also include coordination with ICC Wildlife Branch (daily calls), NRDA working group and other environmental arms AND the JIC, ICC, public affairs, and other agencies. Just need to pull together into one document.....

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Thanks again Team!

Janet

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara.Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Saturday, May 15, 2010 5:50 PM
To: Janet Whaley
Cc: Michael Ziccardi; Teri Rowles; Stacy,Brian A; Sarah Wilkin; Blair Mase; Trevor Spradlin; Erin Fougeres; Helen Golde
Subject: Re: Draft Path Additions to Table

Yesterday we had emails about posting stranding data to a public website. I responded to that email w/cc's to Teri/Mike/Helen etc., after conferring with Teri, and suggested that the tables that we send up each night could be posted to the PR website provided Helen commits Lori Wilson or someone else to do the mechanics. I asked Brian Pawlak in that email for his thoughts/guidance on whether that would meet the requested needs. Have received NO RESPONSE. Helen, can you please help here and find out if they want this posted in the suggested manner?

Janet Whaley wrote:

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Sent: Saturday, May 15, 2010 5:53 PM
To: Janet Whaley
Cc: Michael Ziccardi; Teri Rowles; Stacy,Brian A; Sarah Wilkin; Blair Mase; Trevor Spradlin; Erin Fougeres
Subject: Re: Draft Path Additions to Table

The turtle group does not have time or staff to write a dissertation. I was not on the call, but did speak with Brian and Mike afterwards. I recommend we respond as quickly as possible with enough information to answer the questions asked and not try to go further than what was asked. You all have a huge network and funding base and staff - we do not.

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Subject: 5/15 Strandings Update - Non-oiled Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.x...

4 confirmed strandings reported today

FL - 1
MS - 3

Pending reports for possible turtles reported but not found:
FL - UN, Crooked Island, remote area - will look for tomorrow AL - UN, Marsh Island - reported by guys laying boom, said to be inside boom - remote area, no vehicle access MS - UN, Ship Island - reported by Houma on 3pm call, not included in report received from MS LA - Mandy hadn't heard from western LA surveyors yet whether or not they found the 2 turtles reported floating yesterday

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara.Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Sunday, May 16, 2010 6:46 AM
To: Michael Ziccardi; Sarah Wilkin; Teri Rowles; Janet.Whaley; Trevor Spradlin; Wendy Teas; Brian Stacy
Subject: Responses to Pawlak's requests from today and the nightly table

Attachments: Pawlak email 5-15-10 questions-1bas comments.doc

Pawlak email 5-15-10 questions...

Hi All -

After a sleepless night, I got up and re-searched my entire hard drive to find the document I reported lost last night. I finally was able to recover it, so the below email (which I drafted last night, then reached for the cyanide when I was unable to retrieve the document) applies to the attachment:

Mike and I have been discussing the response to Brian Pawlak's email today requesting more information. Mike drafted up some responses to each item in Brian's email. I took that, did a little reformatting, added my edits/comments, and attach it here for your review. I think we need to wait to send this until all have input, but not later than end of day Sunday. If everyone can provide edits, perhaps someone who has access to email today could incorporate edits? I'm back up late this afternooon.

Barbara

Stacy,Brian A

From: Michael Ziccardi [mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu]
Sent: Sunday, May 16, 2010 4:53 PM
To: Barbara.Schroeder Schroeder; Teri Rowles; Trevor Spradlin; Sarah Wilkin; Stacy,Brian A; Blair Mase
Subject: Fwd: ICC taskers #112 and #122: additional stranding information requested

Begin forwarded message:

From: Trevor.Spradlin@noaa.gov

Date: May 15, 2010 11:38:09 AM CDT

To: icc nmfs <ICC.NMFS@noaa.gov>

Cc: Teri Rowles <Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov>, John Oliver <John.Oliver@noaa.gov>, Brian T Pawlak <Brian.T.Pawlak@noaa.gov>, Jenni Wallace <Jenni.Wallace@noaa.gov>, Michael S Gallagher <Michael.S.Gallagher@noaa.gov>, Lauren B Lugo <Lauren.B.Lugo@noaa.gov>, Helen Golde <Helen.Golde@noaa.gov>, Janet.Whaley@noaa.gov, Sarah.Wilkin@noaa.gov, Jaclyn.Taylor@noaa.gov, mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu, Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov

Subject: Re: ICC taskers #112 and #122: additional stranding information requested

Carrie -- Teri spoke with Brian Pawlak this morning about all of this and the folks in the Wildlife Branch and the SER/SEFSC are pulling the requested information together. More soon...

Thanks -- Trevor et al.

Teri,

It's Carrie working in the ICC. Two key items arose during the 0800 conference call today:

1. There was a lengthy discussion on the need for more stranding information and for it to get to the principals on a daily basis.

- Please prepare a first draft of such a summary before the 5/16 0800 call. The idea is that this may become an executive summary that is sent out each morning (similar to trajectory charts). Chris Moore will decide if it should become a daily product. (Currently your information is incorporated into the NMFS 1600 sitrep and the highlights are mentioned during the 0800 call)

- The current spreadsheet that you are updating meets many of the needs mentioned during the call with some exceptions:

- they are looking for comparisons in the number of strandings now compared to those normally seen in those locations and for this time of year. You should consider using graphs.
- # of animals sent to be necropsied, # necropsies completed. If every animal located is being necropsied, then maybe you need to spell that out somewhere.
- There were also questions about what the necropsies showed and what are the samples being tested for (e.g., other chemical such as dispersants). I understand the time lag that occurs between necropsy and results, but I would recommend that you put together some sort of fact sheet that shows all the analyses that will be conducted, how long they take and how long after a necropsy you could determine cause of death and whether or not the animal was impacted by oil.
- you also may want to start incorporating maps of where strandings have occurred.

(DOI has/or will be asked to do the same for birds)

2. The other topic was an assessment of our capacity to conduct work needed. Dr. Lubchenco asked if we have enough people to deal with strandings and to perform necropsies. John Oliver gave a short explanation of how the stranding network works, but you might want to have more information prepared on staffing.

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SER Public Directory - Gulf St... Pawlak email 5-15-10 questions...

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Cc: Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov; Blair.Mase@noaa.gov; Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov
Subject: my edits so far

Attachments: Pawlak_email_5-15-10_questions-draftresponse tkr.doc

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Sent: Sunday, May 16, 2010 10:08 PM
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Subject: 5/16 Strandings Update - Non-oiled Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled.x...

2 strandings reported today

FL - 0
AL - 1
MS - 1
LA - report not yet received

See attached Excel file.

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Cc: Michael Ziccardi; Brian Stacy; Teri Rowles
Subject: Re: Draft document to respond to questions

Attachments: Pawlak email 5-15-10 questions-draftresponse-v2 bas.doc

Pawlak email 5-15-10 questions...

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11 strandings reported today
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LA - 9 - 36.6 miles of Cameron Parish beaches were surveyed today and 9
dried carcasses, falling apart, were found

See attached Excel file.

In addition, the 3 hook and line incidental captures from MS (1 on 5/14, 2 on 5/15) were added to the Excel file.

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Sent: Monday, May 17, 2010 12:17 PM
To: Brian Stacy
Subject: [Fwd: Marine Mammal/Sea Turtle Personnel for 17 May]

Attachments: Mammal Turtle ICS 17 May.pdf; Attached Message Part; Mammal Turtle Unit Personnel For 18 May.pdf; Attached Message Part

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I'm not sure why he put Shane out separately as 'vet' -- is this how you see it. We can make changes. I had asked him multiple times to list your box as Veterinary/Necropsy. Thoughts?

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Thx again to everyone!

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To: Michael Ziccardi
Cc: Brian Stacy
Subject: Re: Marine Mammal/Sea Turtle Personnel for 17 May

Hi Mike,
We need to tweak the turtle side folders a bit please. Brian and I have spoken about how we are currently operating with regard to vet/necropsy. Please remove the box with Shane in it and edit the box that Brian is leading to read Veterinary/Necropsy. Shane is providing clinical support for IMMS as needed - but that is all he has committed and been asked to do, if facilities start getting numbers of animals, then we would need to establish a clinical medicine lead and it will depend on who is available. Until that time, clinicians are being consulted whenever necessary and providing input through Brian. I am also thinking we should have a new box (it can be the one your deleting Shane from - so easy fix!) for On-Water Response and put Blair Witherington as the folder lead. Thoughts on that?
Barbara

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Hello all-

Pls refer to the attached org chart instead of the one sent earlier. After further discussion, we have added the Field Operations Task Force to the Turtle Unit and collapsed the Vet and Necropsy to a single entity overseen by Brian Stacy. pls direct all medical questions first to Brian, and he will then enlist appropriate veterinary resources as the need arises. Thank you.

Mike

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2010 1:35 PM
To: Brian Stacy; Sandy MacPherson
Subject: [Fwd: Fwd: Oil spill toxicity and sea turtles for NRDA preassessment plan]

Attachments: ForwardedMessage.eml

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Date: Mon, 17 May 2010 13:32:01 -0400
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To: Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>, Blair Witherington <witherington@cfl.rr.com>, Dena.D.Dickerson@usace.army.mil <Dena.D.Dickerson@usace.army.mil>

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Simeon

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To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Re: [Fwd: Fwd: Oil spill toxicity and sea turtles for NRDA preassessment plan]

I don't see why not, I don't know where this proposal is in the process, if it has formally gone to the group for input or if it is already moving up the line? I haven't even read it yet, so don't know if this is going to be done by the COE or someone else, or what all is in there. I'll take a look at it tonight if I have time.

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> If this goes forward, it seems like they could use samples from incoming live turtles and necropsy. Would it be appropriate for me to contact Dena directly?

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6 strandings were reported and verified today:

FL - 3
AL - 1
MS - 0
LA - 2

In addition, the following reports were not able to be verified:
AL - 5 reports -
1 turtle was reported on a Mobile Bay beach but washed away before response, could not be verified as a sea turtle;
3 turtles were reported floating, location not reported so could not be recovered/verified;
1 turtle reported floating - responded to, not a sea turtle MS - 3 reports -
1 turtle reported late today at Pass Christian - IMMS will respond tomorrow;
2 turtles reported late today on Horn Island - will respond tomorrow

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To: Stacy,Brian A
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The next thing we will need are "talking points", so a series of brief bullets that summarize your three pager with the key points. Can you work on that. I think we need to get this out there today for sure.
There is so much stuff flying around right now it's unbelievable. There is high high interest in the turtles - and somehow - NOAA has been saying that the turtle strandings were in line with previous years up until like a day ago. I have NO idea what that is about.

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Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2010 11:25 AM
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Subject: Re: FW: Conf Call on Sea Turtle Necropsy Results

Attachments: Recent Years Summary STSSN Data Northern Gulf 5-15-10.pdf

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yes, I think we might have that already in the attached

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Stacy,Brian A wrote:
> Hi Wendy. Here is the information on the call. Barbara - I assume this will be our line - 866-453-7422 (passcode 588156). I suggested to Wendy that bullet points on the stranding data, as you requested of me for necropsy, might be helpful.
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Buck is heading back to LA, but could make 3:30 from the airport, could the rest of you do 3:30? The dial in will be:
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passcode 588156
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Helen Golde [Helen.Golde@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2010 12:07 PM
To: Barbara Schroeder
Cc: Buck Sutter; David Bernhart; Robert Hoffman; Mark Kinsey; Brian Stacy; Wendy Teas
Subject: Re: Conf Call on Sea Turtle Necropsy Results

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301-713-2332 x 108

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From: David Bernhart [David.Bernhart@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2010 12:42 PM
To: Helen Golde
Cc: Barbara Schroeder; Buck Sutter; Robert Hoffman; Mark Kinsey; Brian Stacy; Wendy Teas
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2010 12:48 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Re: Necropsy Results

yes, I sent this last night

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2010 2:23 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Re: Necropsy Results

I've already lost it.

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Stacy,Brian A wrote:
> Weird - it just got delivered - I took it as confirmation I am losing it.
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From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2010 2:59 PM
To: Brian Stacy
Subject: [Fwd: Re Call-in turtle question: Asked about water in lungs, not oil]

I'll talk with Public Affairs about how to respond, for now if you can just put a few sentences together that would be good for when we need it.

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Re Call-in turtle question: Asked about water in lungs, not oil
Date: Tue, 18 May 2010 14:22:55 -0400
From: McConnaughey, Janet <JMcConn@ap.org>
To: Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov

Dear Ms. Schroeder,

During the call-in conference about the oil spill's effects on wildlife, you apparently mis-heard my question.

I asked whether any sea water had been found in the lungs of necropsied turtles.

You answered about oil.

Can you tell me whether the necropsies checked for water in lungs (which seems likely, given that the working hypothesis has been given that they were drowned in shrimp nets), and whether any has been found? If some has, can you tell me whether water has been found in the lungs of all necropsied turtles with lungs in good enough condition to check?

Thank you,

Janet

Janet McConnaughey

The Associated Press

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From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2010 9:29 PM
To: Barbara.Schroeder; Teri Rowles; Sarah Wilkin; Jaclyn Taylor; Michael Ziccardi; Sheryan.Epperly; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Michael Barnette; David Bernhart; Bob hoffman; erin fougeres; Elizabeth Tuohy-Sheen; Karen.Mitchell
Subject: 5/18 Strandings Update - Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

6 strandings were verified today:
FL - 2; 1 of these was a late report from 5/17 AL - 3 MS - 1 LA - report not yet received from Mandy; 1 Kemp's ridley was found floating by in-water search team, externally oiled

In addition, 4 turtle reports were not verified:
AL - 1 floating near Marsh Island - likely same turtle that has been reported previously, but not yet found; 2 floating near Coffee Island -

possibly same turtles that could not be located yesterday; 1 floating near Weeks Bay.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2010 7:03 PM
To: Barbara.Schroeder; Michael Ziccardi; Teri Rowles; Sheryan.Epperly; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Elizabeth Tuohy-Sheen; Sarah Wilkin; Jaclyn Taylor; Karen.Mitchell
Cc: nmfs.ser.emergency.consult@noaa.gov
Subject: 5/19 - Strandings Update - Un-oiled and Oiled

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

4 sea turtles were verified today:
FL - 2
AL - 1
MS - 1

In addition, the following additions/corrections were made for previous days:
5/14 - 5/15 FG - the tagged turtle originally reported from Tyndall AFB as a CM on 5/14 was verified to have been the CC collected on Tyndall AFB on 5/15 - species on 5/14 report changed to CC and 5/15 report deleted from the Excel file.
There were 6 late reports added to the Excel file - 1 from 5/15 - FL;
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from 5/18 - 1 FL, 1 AL, 2 MS, 1 LA.

Pending reports:
There was one turtle that had been reported in MS today that was searched for but not found.
There was one live turtle in AL that was recovered entangled in a piece of discarded gill net in Mobile Bay - response is currently ongoing for this animal and it will be added to the Excel file tomorrow when all of the information is available.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Simeon Hahn [Simeon.Hahn@noaa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 20, 2010 5:01 PM
To: Simeon Hahn; Dickerson, Dena D ERDC-EL-MS; Brian Stacy; Blair Witherington; Barbara.Schroeder; Kreitinger, Joseph P ERDC-EL-MS; Michael Ziccardi; Tony Palagyi; andy landry; atoline@entrix.com; Sheryan Epperly; sandy macpherson; Anne Marie Lauritsen; Meylan, Anne
Subject: [Fwd: Re: Turtle Workplan]

Attachments: Turtle Toxicity Survey Proposal.doc; Simeon_Hahn.vcf

Turtle Toxicity Survey Proposa... Simeon_Hahn.vcf (464 B)

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Simeon

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Re: Turtle Workplan
Date: Thu, 20 May 2010 14:40:00 -0400
From: Sheryan Epperly <Sheryan.Epperly@noaa.gov>
To: Simeon Hahn <Simeon.Hahn@noaa.gov>
References: <4BF54679.4010309@noaa.gov>

Simeon, attached are my comments on the proposal. Please can you forward to the working group? There is another call to discuss at 7 pm Central tonight. If you include me in that distribution, then I'll have the list of participants, too. Thank you.

On 5/20/10 10:26 AM, Simeon Hahn wrote:
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 20, 2010 5:18 PM
To: Blair Witherington; Meylan, Anne; Sandy MacPherson; Alexis Gutierrez I; Allen Foley; Brian Stacy
Subject: [Fwd: [Fwd: Re: Turtle Workplan]]

Attachments: Turtle Toxicity Survey Proposal.doc

Turtle Toxicity Survey Proposa...

I don't know about any 7PM call.

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: [Fwd: Re: Turtle Workplan]
Date: Thu, 20 May 2010 17:00:30 -0400
From: Simeon Hahn <Simeon.Hahn@noaa.gov>
To: Simeon Hahn <Simeon.Hahn@noaa.gov>, "Dickerson, Dena D ERDC-EL-MS" <Dena.D.Dickerson@usace.army.mil>, Brian Stacy <Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov>, Blair Witherington <witherington@cfl.rr.com>, "Barbara.Schroeder" <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>, "Kreitinger, Joseph P ERDC-EL-MS" <Joseph.P.Kreitinger@usace.army.mil>, Michael Ziccardi <mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu>, Tony Palagyi <TPalagyi@entrix.com>, andy landry <landrya@tamug.edu>, atoline@entrix.com, Sheryan Epperly <Sheryan.Epperly@noaa.gov>, sandy macpherson <Sandy_MacPherson@fws.gov>, Anne Marie Lauritsen <Ann_Marie_Lauritsen@fws.gov>, "Meylan, Anne" <Anne.Meylan@MyFWC.com>

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From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 20, 2010 6:43 PM
To: Barbara.Schroeder; Michael Ziccardi; Teri Rowles; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Elizabeth Tuohy-Sheen; Sarah Wilkin; Jaclyn Taylor; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 5/20 - Turtle Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

6 turtle strandings were verified today:
FL - 2
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MS - report not received
LA - 2 - both of these animals were recovered floating offshore, externally oiled

See attached Excel file for details.

In addition, 2 late reports were added for 5/19 - one each in AL and LA.

Finally, there were 6 or 7 additional reports received today that have not been verified: AL - 1 live turtle, reported as entangled near a fishing pier, response ongoing - will be added to Excel file tomorrow when complete details are known; 3 or 4 (2 of these reports may be of the same turtle, similar location reported) dead turtles were reported floating, unable to access to recover MS - 2 turtles were reported to wildlife hotline and passed on to state coordinator - details not yet received

Stacy,Brian A

From: Kate Sardi Sampson [Kate.Sampson@noaa.gov]
Sent: Friday, May 21, 2010 9:45 AM
To: Kate Sardi Sampson
Cc: Wendy Teas; Teri Rowles; Stacy,Brian A; Mendy Garron; Erin Fougeres
Subject: Re: oil spill personnel update

Attachments: Oil Spill Response Personnel updated 5-17-10.xls; Kate_Sampson.vcf

Oil Spill Response Personnel u... Kate_Sampson.vcf (413 B)

Hello everyone- I've attached the latest personnel spreadsheet with a few changes/additions. Thanks a lot, Kate

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy Teas [Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov]
Sent: Friday, May 21, 2010 6:41 PM
To: Barbara.Schroeder; Michael Ziccardi; Teri Rowles; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Elizabeth Tuohy-Sheen; Karen.Mitchell; Sarah Wilkin; Jaclyn Taylor; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 5/21 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

There were 2 sea turtle strandings verified today:
FL - 1
AL - 1
MS - report not received
LA - no turtles reported

See attached Excel file for details.

In addition, there were 2 late reports added for 5/20 - 1 each in FL and AL.

Unverified reports or sighting information received today:
AL - 2 turtles were reported floating, unable to access to recover; 1 turtle was reported as "in distress" but dove and wasn't seen again.
The turtle reported late yesterday as entangled near a pier was checked and is not entangled - has been seen several times at different locations around pier over past 2 days.
MS - 1 turtle reported to wildlife hotline - awaiting additional information, will be added tomorrow.

Stacy,Brian A

From: DWHNRDA [dwhnrda@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, May 21, 2010 8:53 PM
To: allen.foley@myfwc.com; ann_marie_lauritsen@fws.gov; anne.meylan@myfwc.com; Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov; bgregory@wlf.la.gov; bill.turner@myfwc.com; Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov; Christopher.Plaisted@noaa.gov; Deborah.Epperson@mms.gov; Dena.D.Dickerson@usace.army.mil; elaine_leslie@nps.gov; Faye_Winters@blm.gov; Gary.Shigenaka@noaa.gov; gina.saizan@la.gov; glester@wlf.la.gov; heath_rauschenberger@fws.gov; Jan.Landsberg@myfwc.com; Jane_Tutton@fws.gov; Janet.Whaley@noaa.gov; Jeff Gore; Jenny.Litz@noaa.gov; John Himes; John.Foret@noaa.gov; John.R.Wilson@noaa.gov; Karolien.Debusschere@la.gov; Keith.Gauldin@dcnr.alabama.gov; kelly.brinkman@dcnr.alabama.gov; Kevin_Castle@nps.gov; Lance.Garrison@noaa.gov; lcarver@wlf.la.gov; leslie.ward@myfwc.com; lisa.toussaint@sol.doi.gov; Lori.Schwacke@noaa.gov; mhooper@usgs.gov; mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu; Michael Huguenin; Mike_Beiser@deq.state.ms.us; Nicole_Adimey@fws.gov; rbourgeois@wlf.la.gov; Ronald.Wooten@noaa.gov; sandy_macpherson@fws.gov; Sarah.Wilkin@noaa.gov; sfinger@usgs.gov; Simeon.Hahn@noaa.gov; Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov; Timothy_Pinion@nps.gov; Trevor.Spradlin@noaa.gov; witherington@cfl.rr.com; wlf252 @wlf.la.gov; jwakefield@entrix.com; tpalagyi@entrix.com; wkicklighter@entrix.com
Subject: Fwd: Revised PA and DC plan

Attachments: Draft Preassessment and Data Collection Plan for Marine Mammals and TurtlesDWH NRDA May 21 draft.doc; Simeon_Hahn.vcf

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Simeon_Hahn.vcf (464 B)

Request review comments by COB Monday the 24th.

Simeon

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Revised PA and DC plan
Date: Fri, 21 May 2010 12:56:49 -0400
From: Michael Huguenin <MikeHuguenin@indecon.com>
To: Simeon.Hahn@noaa.gov

Hi Simeon,

Here is the revised plan. Let me know if you have questions or comments.

Have a good weekend, Mike

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Foley, Allen [Allen.Foley@MyFWC.com]
Sent: Saturday, May 22, 2010 1:25 AM
To: Yablonski, Brian
Cc: Frohlich, Kipp; Haubold, Elsa; Wiley, Nick; Trindell, Robbin; Breault, Tim; McRae, Gil; Meylan, Anne; 'Brian Stacy'
Subject: RE: Sea turtle strandings

Okay. Here's the story. I'm using February through May of this year because the sea turtle stranding data for January of this year is dominated by an unusual, acute event (had about 4,600 cold-stunned sea turtles during January) and the data are still being entered and verified.

Panhandle (Escambia County – Wakulla County): From February through May 2010, there have been 23 more sea turtle strandings than the recent five-year average (76 vs. 53, respectively). This is all due to the number of green turtle strandings. From Feb through May, the number of loggerhead strandings is actually 4 below average (29 in 2010 vs. 33 average). However, the number of green turtle strandings is 20 above average in 2010 (25 vs. 5). The highest numbers of strandings occurred in April and May.

Peninsular West Coast (Taylor County – Collier County): From February through May, there have been 70 more sea turtle strandings than the recent five-year average (214 vs. 144, respectively). This is all due to the number of green turtle strandings. From Feb through May, the number of loggerhead strandings is actually 49 below average (43 in 2010 vs. 92 average). However, the number of green turtle strandings is 100 above average in 2010 (129 vs. 29). The highest number of strandings occurred in March.

Florida Keys (Monroe County): From February through May, there have been 17 more sea turtle strandings than the recent five-year average (75 vs. 58, respectively). This is due in large part to the number of green turtle strandings and in smaller part to the number of loggerhead strandings. From Feb through May, the number of loggerhead strandings is 8 above the average (34 in 2010 vs. 26 average). The number of green turtle strandings is 19 above the average (33 in 2010 vs. 14 average). The highest numbers of strandings occurred in February and March.

East Coast (Duval County – Miami-Dade County): From February through May, there have been 48 more sea turtle strandings than the recent five-year average (438 vs. 390, respectively). This is all due to the number of green turtle strandings. From Feb through May, the number of loggerhead strandings is actually 70 below average (171 in 2010 vs. 241 average). However, the number of green turtle strandings is 107 above average (224 in 2010 vs. 117 average). The highest number of strandings occurred in April.

We have submitted a large number of the carcasses for detailed necropsy to a veterinary pathologist

who works for NOAA and is stationed at the University of Florida's College of Veterinary Medicine (Dr. Brian Stacy). He believes the unusual numbers of strandings were most likely related to the unusually prolonged cold weather during January. In this possible scenario, many of the turtles that survived the initial exposure to prolonged cold still suffered adverse consequences, namely lowered immune system function. This made them more susceptible to developing subsequent infections. This is also consistent with the species that accounts for almost all of the unusual stranding numbers in 2010. This species, the green turtle, is also the species that is most effected by cold weather events.

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From: Yablonski, Brian [mailto:Brian.Yablonski@joe.com]
Sent: Friday, May 21, 2010 1:03 PM
To: Foley, Allen
Cc: Frohlich, Kipp; Haubold, Elsa; Wiley, Nick; Trindell, Robbin; Breault, Tim; McRae, Gil; Meylan, Anne
Subject: Re: Sea turtle strandings

Thank you Allen for all your help

From: Foley, Allen
To: Yablonski, Brian
Cc: Frohlich, Kipp ; Haubold, Elsa ; Wiley, Nick ; Trindell, Robbin ; Breault, Tim ; McRae, Gil ; Meylan, Anne
Sent: Fri May 21 12:56:18 2010
Subject: RE: Sea turtle strandings

No problem. Just to cover all the potential bases, I'm preparing information for the Panhandle, the peninsular west coast, the Keys, and the east coast. I'll have that for you shortly.

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From: Yablonski, Brian [mailto:Brian.Yablonski@joe.com]
Sent: Friday, May 21, 2010 12:24 PM
To: Trindell, Robbin; Breault, Tim
Cc: Frohlich, Kipp; Haubold, Elsa; Wiley, Nick; Foley, Allen
Subject: RE: Sea turtle strandings

Thanks Robbin – just Florida in general, and probably NW Florida given that is the area of focus for now.

From: Trindell, Robbin [mailto:robbin.trindell@MyFWC.com]
Sent: Friday, May 21, 2010 10:42 AM
To: Breault, Tim
Cc: Frohlich, Kipp; Haubold, Elsa; Yablonski, Brian; Wiley, Nick; Foley, Allen
Subject: RE: Sea turtle strandings

Tim,

I am working with Dr. Allen Foley, the FWC Sea Turtle Stranding and Salvage Coordinator to provide this information. Is there a specific geographic area of interest?

Robbin N. Trindell, Ph.D.

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

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Subject: oiled/recovered turtle and marine mammal response information

Attachments: Bird Reporting Sheet 22MAY10_Rev 2 .xls; Mammal_Turtle_Daily_Report_21_May.pdf; Mammal_Turtle_Data_21_May Dolphins.pdf; Mammal_Turtle_Data_21_May Necropsy Status.pdf; Mammal_Turtle_Data_21_May Summary Totals.pdf; Mammal_Turtle_Data_21 _May Turtles.pdf; Mammal_Turtle_Data_21_May Whales.pdf; Simeon_Hahn.vcf

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Good Morning All:

Please see attached documentation for updated wildlife counts.

As stated yesterday, this format is intended to simplify the reporting process to avoid confusion over numbers being reported.

Also included here below is the original message from Heidi Stout regarding avian data.

Please remember that these numbers are the count from yesterday. Any animals brought in today, will be included in the report that you will receive tomorrow.

If you should have any questions, please contact me via email or by telephone at the number below.

Per Heidi Stout: "Good Morning

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Have a great day!

Best Regards -

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Subject: 5/22 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled

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Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

There were 3 strandings verified today:

FG - 0
AL - 2
MS - 0
LA - 1

See attached Excel file for details.

There were 4 additional reports that were not verified - 1 in MS and 3 in AL.

The following changes/corrections were made to the Excel file:
5/21 - 1 late report added for FL
5/7 - 14 reports added (not previously reported - found while mapping strandings)
5/3 - 1 report deleted for LA - this was a turtle reported but never located - not verified
5/5 - 1 species change in LA - CM, not LK (based on mapping info received)

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FL - 0
AL - report not received
MS - 0
LA - 1

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There are 3 unverified reports for today - 2 turtles reported in AL and 1 turtle reported as alive and swimming in oil by a skimmer vessel offshore LA (not recovered)

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From: Barbara.Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 24, 2010 4:58 PM
To: Brian Stacy
Subject: [Fwd: Science magazine reporter wants to do forensic science story on dead marine mammals, turtles. Can you do interview Tuesday or Wednesday?]

I'll ask Monica about getting you cleared, if you want to be tapped for some of this stuff that is up your alley.

-------- Original Message --------
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Date: Mon, 24 May 2010 16:49:56 -0400
From: Monica Allen <Monica.Allen@noaa.gov>
To: Teri Rowles <Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov>, Barbara Schroeder <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>

Hi Teri and Barbara,
Lauren Schenkman at Science magazine is writing a sort of forensic science story on how one determines whether a dead turtle or marine mammal was exposed to oil - basically, if a turtle or dolphin has been exposed to oil, what would be the chemical or biological clues? She wants to talk to folks who perform necropsies, as well as the experts on the toxicology side who could talk about what traces might turn up in tissue samples, and the methods of detecting these traces. Additionally, she said the wildlife experts on last weeks conference calls mentioned a group doing biopsies of healthy bottle nosed dolphins to determine baseline levels of certain compounds. She wants to know who is doing that and wants to talk to them as well, if possible.

It this point, you both are my main cleared speakers who I think can address these forensic issues. I'd like to get some others cleared to help.

Please shoot me an email if you can do an interview with Science Tuesday or Wednesday and what would be a good time. If you want to have one of you two do the interview and cover both animals, that's fine too.
Thank you,
Monica

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To: Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov; Dave.Rotstein@noaa.gov
Subject: Oil Spill expert clearance

Hi guys: I am usually the public affairs officer for NOAA Fisheries in the Northeast, but have recently been pulled in to supporting the communications operations supporting the NOAA response to the BP oil spill. Understand the same has happened to you, and that you are the vets of record for this event.

We have had a couple of inquires from reporters who want to know more about necropsies and the sampling that can be done on marine mammals and sea turtles (live & at necropsy) to track effects of exposure to oil, as well as lab techniques --basically a forensic science story: clues that there has been exposure, toxicology, methods of detecting these traces and so on.

Teri Rowles is doing these kinds of interviewsso far, but we think there will be more requests as time goes on and it would be a good idea to get more people approved as experts to speak to the media on this end of things.

Is this something you are willing to do?

If so, can you send me your cell number(s) for the internal clearance--we're not handing these out to anyone. I'll draft up some background and talking points for your review. Then we can get it into the hopper for approval.

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There were 6 turtle strandings verified today:

FL - 1
AL - 3
MS - no report received
LA -2

There were also 2 turtles not verified, 1 each in FL and AL. A report of "several" turtles found on Rockefeller NWR will be investigated and turtles documented on Wednesday.

See attached Excel file for details.

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Subject: Fish Kill Hotline Report 5/25/2010

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5/20/2010

Out of State - Out of State County - Referred from Outreach Coordination Office – A student doing research contacted us for information pertaining to fin rot in fish.
Info Request - (Call ID: 052010_14937)

5/22/2010

Jacksonville - Duval County – Direct call - St Johns River keeper contacted us to let us know that he had received two reports of a fish kill in the St. Johns River near downtown Jacksonville. FWH staff and the SJR keeper established that one of the reports was the same report we had received via the FKH on 05/20/10 and the other was from the local media, who had also contacted FWRI outreach coordination staff.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 052210_14938) - - - (Group Report ID # 14926)

5/24/2010

Shalimar - Okaloosa County - Hotline Call – A concerned citizen contacted us for a second time to explain that she observed hundreds of lethargic mollusk, *Donax* species, on Okaloosa Island.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 052410_14942) - - - (Group Report ID # 14935)
Referred the call to Fort Walton Parks and Recreation

Fort Walton Beach - Okaloosa County - Hotline Call – We received a report of several dead triggerfish, dead red grouper, and a few dead scamp near Legendary Marine. The caller did not note any evidence of oil on the fish or in the water.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 052410_14944)
Referred the call to DEP & Fort Walton Beach Parks & Recreation

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Suspected Cause - Low Dissolved Oxygen Due to "HERB/PEST" Spraying (Call ID: 052410_14945) - - - (Group Report ID # 14943)
Referred the call to FDACS

The following reports were submitted to BP's Horizon call center, a wildlife hotline set up in response to the oil spill. The calls were forwarded to FWH as a courtesy and to other agencies for follow-up. The following is a summary of these reports. FWH staff does not confirm species ID unless samples are received at the FWRI FWH necropsy lab.

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Pensacola Beach - Escambia County - BP Event Horizon Call- We received a report of one dead shark near the Center Gulf Islands. We returned the call and left a message with the report initiator with a request for more information.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 052410_14940)

Additional reports from BP's Horizon call center that were not followed up by FWH staff:

5/24/2010

Navarre Beach, Santa Rosa County: One dead sea turtle near Highway 98

Orange Beach, AL: On FL-AL border, Jellyfish with oil

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Subject: Re: Oil Spill expert clearance

Attachments: OIL SPILL TALKING POINTS - necropsies.doc

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Attached is my rough draft for Q&As qne your clearance. Pls have a look and send comments ASAP. Much appreciate all your help. there are several blanks you need to fill in--also check out your titles, may want to revise.

> Hi guys: I am usually the public affairs officer for NOAA Fisheries in
> the Northeast, but have recently been pulled in to supporting the
> communications operations supporting the NOAA response to the BP oil
> spill. Understand the same has happened to you, and that you are the
> vets of record for this event.
>
> We have had a couple of inquires from reporters who want to know more
> about necropsies and the sampling that can be done on marine mammals
> and sea turtles (live & at necropsy) to track effects of exposure to
> oil, as well as lab techniques --basically a forensic science story:
> clues that there has been exposure, toxicology, methods of detecting
> these traces and so on.
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> Teri Rowles is doing these kinds of interviewsso far, but we think
> there will be more requests as time goes on and it would be a good
> idea to get more people approved as experts to speak to the media on
> this end of things.
>
> Is this something you are willing to do?
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> If so, can you send me your cell number(s) for the internal
> clearance--we're not handing these out to anyone. I'll draft up some
> background and talking points for your review. Then we can get it
> into the hopper for approval.
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> Thanks for your help and look forward to hearing from you.
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From: Lauren Schenkman [lschenkm@aaas.org]
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To: Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov
Cc: Monica.Allen@noaa.gov; Shelley.Dawicki@noaa.gov
Subject: For Science magazine- toxicology and forensics of analyzing turtles for oil?

Dear Dr. Stacy,

I'm a reporter at Science magazine, and I'm interested in writing a piece on the science of analyzing dead turtles and marine mammals to determine whether they were exposed to oil. I'd like to know about the relevant procedures - necropsy techniques, chemical analyses of tissues, etc--as well as the underlying chemistry/toxicology that applies. I believe you've been doing necropsies on many of the dead turtles being found in the Gulf, so I thought you might be a good person to talk to for this story. I've cc'ed Monica Allen and Shelley Dawicki here, since they've been helping me get in contact with NOAA folks, so I hope we can set up an interview for today or tomorrow.

Sincerely,

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Thank you for getting back to me so quickly Brian. I emailed a response to Barbara this morning, explained what I am doing, that I would work with you and David to get this clearance going and asked how she would like to be involved.I have not heard back from her on this last point. The process for clearing experts has been the same for each person. Someone like me drafts up a document like the attached one, works with the subject matter experts to make sure its accurate, then sends it on to the next level. Whatever we need to do to move this along let me know. I have also copied Monica Allen here as she has been working with Teri and Barbara on similar clearances.

> Terry,
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> Please understand that there are a number of levels/types of clearance
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> points, interviews, etc., unless specifically requested by Barabara
> Schroeder, my program coordinator and the ICS turtle lead for this
> event. Please copy her on any communication sent to me.
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Subject: 5/25 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

There was 1 verified turtle stranding reported today:
FL - 1 dead green turtle
AL - 0
MS - 0
LA - report not received by 6 pm

There was 1 unverified floating turtle reported today in AL.

There were 7 reports added to the Excel file from earlier dates:
FL - 1 dead loggerhead from 5/24
AL - 2 turtles -
1 live loggerhead from 5/22 - this turtle was taken to IMMS, died 5/25, being shipped to UF for necropsy
1 dead Kemp's ridley from 5/24
MS - 4 turtles -
2 dead unidentified species from 5/20
1 dead unidentified species from 5/24
1 dead Kemp's ridley from 5/24

See attached Excel file for details.

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Thank you for forwarding on the questions/responses.

In general, I am ok with discussions with media about necropsies, but would say that:

a)agreed upon talking points and a clear an direct line of approval for the media interview is needed. (And as an aside, the media specialist at the university I came from sat in on a potentially contentious interview. I think that would be useful if there is any indication that this could be the case.

b)subject matter expertise. I think training in the best means of deferring a question would be good to know.

c)sensitivities of other agencies. I think this is a difficult one for me in that while I am aware of some of these issues, overall, I am not-I think we need to have that sort of thing discussed.

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From: Faeth, Lori [Lori_Faeth@ios.doi.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 26, 2010 10:22 AM
To: 'Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov'
Cc: Salmon, Glen; 'mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu'; 'Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov'
Subject: Re: Questions on Necropsies

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Sent: Wed May 26 10:21:10 2010
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Hi Lori,
Here you go:

Gross necropsies of dead sea turtles collected during this event will be conducted, and, when possible, tissue samples will be collected. The extent of examination and sampling will depend on the state of decomposition. Preliminary results from gross evaluations will be available to the Unified Command within one to two weeks of completion. The complete process, including all appropriate tissue analyses, is anticipated to take several months.

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Faeth, Lori wrote:

Hi Barbara,

What I am looking for is a simple statement that will be posted w/the daily wildlife numbers on the DWH website.

I want to be sure reasonable expectations are set for how long the process can take. Not detailed, just it can take up to XXXX days/months however long.

If you need more details.

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To: "Salmon, Glen" <glen_salmon@fws.gov>, "'mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu'" <mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu>

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 26, 2010 11:02 AM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Re: are you on this call?

yes, I just told Teri we need to talk with her before her 1PM which is with nrda uppers
she said they asked her if simeon should be replaced

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Stacy,Brian A wrote:
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> From: Barbara Schroeder [mailto:Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
> Sent: Wednesday, May 26, 2010 10:48 AM
> To: Stacy,Brian A
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> we need to regroup on this, this joe person is dominating the entire thing, he's talking about blood parameters and their meaning re: health, etc. etc.
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> let's talk by phone with Teri around 11 if possible, she apparently
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Subject: Re: Expert clearance

Attachments: OIL SPILL TALKING POINTS - necropsies.doc

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From: Courtney,Charles H,III [courtneych@ufl.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, May 26, 2010 4:29 PM
To: FLEMING,JOSHUA
Cc: Brian Stacy
Subject: Re: Jennifer Muller UFid 2648-5710 - Bp oil spill job duties

Jennifer Muller will be seconded to the BP oil spill area to work under the supervision of the Federal agency (NOAA-National Marine Fisheries Service) in charge of sea turtle stranding and mortality documentation for this event. There, she first will receive intensive hazardous materials training before being put to work as a veterinary technician specifically tasked with assisting in necropsy examination of dead sea turtles and maintaining all appropriate medico-legal documentation, including chain of custody of evidential materials. Much of the work will take place in an environment contaminated with hazardous materials and/or involve handling animals contaminated with hazardous materials. Depending on the number of dead/stranded sea turtles presented to Federal authorities, her work week likely will exceed 40 hours by a considerable margin.

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On May 26, 2010, at 3:46 PM, FLEMING,JOSHUA wrote:

> Dr. Courtney,
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> When you have a moment, will you please forward the justification and job duties for Jennifer's secondary employment with the oil spill. Thank you.
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> Have a nice day,
> Josh

Stacy,Brian A

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Sent: Wednesday, May 26, 2010 7:15 PM
To: Barbara.Schroeder; Michael Ziccardi; Teri Rowles; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; HoumalCC MMST; vcornish@mmc.gov; Karen.Mitchell
Subject: 5/26 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

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From: Monica Allen [Monica.Allen@noaa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 27, 2010 10:31 AM
To: Brian Stacy
Subject: Please take a look. Add in if needed

Attachments: Turtle expert.necropsies.5.27.10.doc

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Hi Brian,
Great to talk with you. Please take a look at this fairly general set of talkers and make changes as you see fit.
Thanks,
Monica

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Here is where I stand on this:

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c)I can speak in general terms about necropsies, need for necropsies, what we get from necropsies. In terms of the incident, I feel that is best left to a single voice to present.

I am not bowing out of the process, but I limiting my involvement in the process. I believe our marine mammal National Coordinators are the best sources for media interviews.

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PS-who does need to review the talking points??

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Subject: Sea Turtle Rescue & Research Project

Hi Blair and Brian and all,

I'm working away on logistics this morning. Here is an update thus far and a few questions...

1)How many cars/trucks will the team have altogether? Apparently parking is an issue, so we need to arrange spaces for you.
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Brown, Catalina [Catalina.Brown@MyFWC.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 27, 2010 1:20 PM
Subject: Fish Kill Hotline Report 5/27/2010

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5/25/2010

Fleming Island - Clay County - Hotline Call – We received a report of a fish kill in the St. Johns River near Westover Road. FWH staff coordinated with SJRWMD and arranged to have water samples delivered.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 052510_14951)
Referred the Call to SJRWMD

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Suspected Cause - Algal Bloom (Call ID: 052510_14952)
Referred the call to HOA

5/26/2010

Tampa - Hillsborough County - Hotline Call – We received a request for information pertaining to injured animals on private property.
Suspected Cause - Injured (Call ID: 052610_14953)
Referred the call to FWRI Outreach

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Suspected Cause - Pollution—Other Chemical (Call ID: 052610_14954)
Referred the call to Bay County Roads & Bridges

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Suspected Cause - Other (Call ID: 052610_14955)
Referred the call to FWC Lakeland

The following reports were submitted to BP's Horizon call center, a wildlife hotline set up in response to the oil spill. The calls were forwarded to FWH as a courtesy and to other agencies for follow-up. The following is a summary of these reports. FWH staff does not confirm species ID unless samples are received at the FWRI FWH necropsy lab.

5/25/2010

Pensacola - Escambia County - BP Event Horizon Call Center - One dead sea turtle near Navy Blvd.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 052510_14956)
Referred the call to FWC Sea Turtles

Additional reports from BP's Horizon call center that were not followed up by FWH staff:

5/26/2010

Pensacola, Escambia County: One unidentified oiled bird in Pensacola beach

NOTE: The above summaries are distributed by the Fish and Wildlife Health group (FWH) at the Fish and Wildlife Research Institute of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. The summaries account for fish and wildlife health-related communications received by FWH via the statewide Marine Fish Kill Hotline (1-800-636-0511), through website reports submitted to the FWRI fish kill web page (http://research.myfwc.com/fishkill/submit.asp , or direct phone/email contact during the specified period. The summary is intended to 1) provide a timely source of information regarding fish and wildlife health events to Florida agency individuals who are responsible for response and 2) facilitate communication among these individuals in order to direct response activity and appropriately address associated public concern. While every practical step has been taken to make the above summary accurate and informative, the need for rapid distribution precludes extensive review. Reports are summarized as they are made to FWH staff with limited interpretation and do not necessarily reflect the observations of scientifically trained individuals.

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Please consider the environment before printing this e-mail.

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To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Re: Please take a look. Add in if needed

Thanks Brian

Stacy,Brian A wrote:
> Hi Monica,
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> These look great. I do not feel the need to modify since the objective is to convey basic concepts of necropsy, which was done well.
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> Brian
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> Brian A Stacy, DVM, PhD, DACVP
> NOAA/NMFS/Protected Resources
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> University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine Aquatic Animal
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> From: Monica Allen [mailto:Monica.Allen@noaa.gov]
> Sent: Thursday, May 27, 2010 10:31 AM
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> Hi Brian,
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> Thanks,
> Monica
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Subject: [Fwd: NRDA In Water Sea Turtle DRAFT proposal for review]

Attachments: NRDA In Water Sea Turtles Capture Telemetry Toxicity 26 May 2010.doc; NRDA Appendix 1 In Water Turtles Toxicity 26 May 2010.docx; NRDA Appendix 2 In Water Turtle Toxicology SOP.doc; NRDA Appendix 3 In Water Turtle PAH MDL for MC252.xls; Simeon_Hahn.vcf

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Please review and be prepared to discuss on the next turtle subgroup call scheduled for tomorrow at 9:00 CST

1-866-720-1374
Code 7141801

Simeon

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Date: Thu, 27 May 2010 01:53:17 -0500
From: Dickerson, Dena D ERDC-EL-MS <Dena.D.Dickerson@usace.army.mil>
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CC: Kreitinger, Joseph P ERDC-EL-MS <Joseph.P.Kreitinger@usace.army.mil>, Dickerson, Dena D ERDC-EL-MS <Dena.D.Dickerson@usace.army.mil>, Sheryan.Epperly@noaa.gov, witherington@dfl.rr.com, landrya@tamug.edu, Suedel, Burton ERDC-EL-MS <Burton.Suedel@usace.army.mil>, Johnson, David R ERDC-EL-MS <David.R.Johnson@usace.army.mil>, Peter.hodson@queensu.ca, tmcdonald@srph.tamhsc.edu

Simeon,

Attached should be the draft proposal for the NRDA In-Water Sea Turtle activities discussed by the subgroup. Budgets are not attached waiting for the group to debate the details and come to an agreement on the methods and approaches. Hopefully, that can take place ASAP.

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Dena

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Using our boat as shuttle will make us independent... great!

Best,

Blair

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Subject: 5/27 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

There were 4 turtles strandings verified for 5/27:
FL-2
AL-1
MS-report not received
LA-1

There were 7 late reports added, as follows:
MS - 1 LK 5/26
LA - 1 UN 5/22, 2 UN 5/25, 3 LK 5/26

There was 1 unverified report from today:
AL - west end of Dauphin Is - will try to retrieve carcass tomorrow

See attached Excel file for details.

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Erin Fougeres [erin.fougeres@noaa.gov]
Sent: Friday, May 28, 2010 11:45 AM
To: Dave Rotstein; Brian Stacy
Cc: Janet.Whaley; Michael Ziccardi; Teri Rowles
Subject: [Fwd: Re: FWS media plan]

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Hi All,
Any suggestions for talking points on this?
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Erin

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Date:
Fri, 28 May 2010 11:44:53 -0400
To:
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CC:
"Janet.Whaley" <Janet.Whaley@noaa.gov>, Michael Ziccardi <mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu>, Teri Rowles <Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov>

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Subject:
Re: FWS media plan
From:
Monica Allen <Monica.Allen@noaa.gov>
Date:
Fri, 28 May 2010 11:43:44 -0400
To:
Erin Fougeres <erin.fougeres@noaa.gov>
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Erin and Wildlife Team,
It would be helpful for us to have some clear talking points on when the samples will be analyzed and where. Can the Wildlife Team provide these answers?
What I have heard in interviews is that samples are being taken. The federal partners have not yet determined when and where they will be tested. This is not a great answer for the public. Is there more we can say to explain this process?
Thank you,
Monica

Erin Fougeres wrote:

Sorry, in my rush to send this out I meant to ask the public affairs folks here if we could generate some talking points to get approved through NOAA and the JIC. In the interviews I've done I've been getting lots of questions on when the samples will be analyzed and we don't have answers for that. Some talking points would be really helpful! Can you all help us with this (or maybe it's already being done?)
Thanks!!
Erin

Erin Fougeres wrote:

Hi All,
This report was on cnn this morning:
http://amfix.blogs.cnn.com/2010/05/28/is-bp-hiding-wildlife-deaths/
As per our discussion on the wildlife call, I think we need to make sure the numbers get up on the ORR and Deepwater Horizon website. We should also generate some talking points about the necropsy process and when/where samples will be analyzed. Janet, can you work on that with Dave? I'm happy to help any way I can.
Cheers,
Erin

Janet Whaley wrote:

Hi Ladies,

At today's FWS meeting, they mentioned that their rehabilitation centers are holding press conferences daily. The media is getting more aggressive with their questioning regarding FWS field response. FWS wildlife branch has not been proactive with the media and now the media is using the rehab centers press events to bash FWS. They plan to embed FWS staff several times a week to answer questions at these press events.

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Attachments: Updated turtle tps May 24-2.updated.doc; turtle and marine mammal report, as of 5.27.10.docx

Updated turtle tps May 24-2.up... turtle and marine mammal repor...

Hi Janet,
Here are the updated and cleared turtle talkers as of May 24. The numbers are changed and we are using your excellent daily reports to provide an update to the noaa and OR and R site. I'm attaching today's update that will be posted on the noaa and or and r site today.
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Subject: Re: Fwd: [Fwd: Re: FWS media plan]

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Thank you. What you have said about the samples seems the best talking point as long as we explain NRDA clearly.
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There were NO turtle strandings reported/verified today! Woo hoo!!

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No changes to Excel file today.

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I was unable to send email from my NOAA account yesterday evening. Here is the turtle report for 5/31.

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LA - 1 Kemp's ridley - this oiled turtle was recovered alive by a skimmer boat "Gulf Scout", cleaned with Dawn on board boat by USCG, picked up by LDWF Enforcement vessel and transported to shore for transfer to AOA for rehab.

NOTE: I think we need to revisit calling the skimmer recovered turtles strandings (as has been done previously). This could end up getting very confusing having on-water captured turtles called two different things.

There was one late stranding report added for 5/30:
FL - loggerhead, found on Cape San Blas.

There were 7 oiled turtles recovered alive, offshore Louisiana, by the directed on-water turtle survey vessels today - 6 Kemp's ridleys and 1 green turtle, all pelagic size animals. All of these turtles have been transported to AOA for de-oiling and rehab.

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Subject: Re: Revised language for reporting format

Attachments: Recommended Changes to reporting-SMW bas edits.doc

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here are some quick thoughts on this, I want to make sure Brian Stacy sees this as well, and have added him here for his thoughts/comments

Sarah Wilkin wrote:
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>>>> new format. Please take a look and provide comments. As I am
>>>> fairly new to the command center I tried my best to get the
>>>> recommendations we discussed on yesterday's call down, but if I
>>>> missed something please don't hesitate to let me know!Thanks,Mendy
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>>>> Mendy GarronNER Marine Mammal Stranding CoordinatorNOAA Fisheries
>>>> ServiceProtected Resources Division55 Great Republic
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Tuesday, June 01, 2010 11:17 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; vcornish@mmc.gov; Karen.Mitchell
Subject: 6/1 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

There were no turtle strandings reported/verified today.

There were 2 unverified turtle reports:
FL - floating turtle, trying to locate
LA - dead turtle, remote area, will try to access tomorrow

There were 15 oiled turtles recovered in live capture operations today:
LDWF - working ~17 mi off of Grand Isle recovered 1 dead and 4 live Kemp's ridleys; live turtles were taken to AOA for rehab and dead turtle was salvaged. One additional larger turtle was seen but dove before it could be captured.
ICC live capture operation - working ~35 mi SE of SE pass caught 10 live turtles - 8 Kemp's ridleys, 1 hawksbill and 1 loggerhead; all turtles were taken to AOA for rehab. One additional larger turtle was seen but dove before it could be captured.

The following corrections/additions were made to the Excel file based on recent intake log information received:
FL - 5/27 - 1 Un deleted (duplicate report); 5/27 and 5/28 turtles (1 each day) were corrected to "not salvaged" from "salvaged"
MS - 10 turtles added from previous days - 5 live and 5 dead. The 5 live turtles (1 on 5/20, 3 on 5/27, 1 on 5/28) were all caught on hook and line and were taken to IMMS for rehab. The dead turtles were found on 5/19, 5/21 - 3 turtles, and 5/28.

Please see attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Erin Fougeres [erin.fougeres@noaa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, June 02, 2010 2:33 PM
To: Sarah.Wilkin; Mendy Garron
Cc: Janet.Whaley; Teri Rowles; Brian Stacy; Barbara Schroeder; blair Mase
Subject: contract for UF- please process

Attachments: Statement of Work for UF-Final.doc

Statement of Work for UF-Final...

Hi Mendy and Sarah,
Attached is the Statement of Work for UF. Could you please begin the process of getting the contract awarded?
Many thanks!!
Erin

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Erin Fougeres, Ph.D.
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fax: 727-824-5309

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov
Sent: Wednesday, June 02, 2010 5:29 PM
To: mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu; Dave.Rotstein@noaa.gov; Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov
Subject: Fwd: Necropsy

Attachments: Necropsy

Necropsy

FYI, for your records. I responded to him that we currently are ok but would keep his group in mind.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Michael Ziccardi [mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, June 02, 2010 6:19 PM
To: Dave Rotstein; Stacy,Brian A
Cc: Barbara Schroeder; Teri Rowles
Subject: Fwd: Necropsy

FYI

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Craig Blanton" <craig@tampapathology.com>

Date: June 2, 2010 4:15:17 PM CDT

To: <mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu>

Subject: Necropsy

Dr. Ziccardi,

I am contacting your from Tampa Pathology Laboratory (TPL) in Tampa, FL. We can assist with necropsy services as well as animal pathology services including frozen tissue sectioning, tissue processing, embedding, slide preparation and immunohistochemistry. Who do I need to contact in order for our facility to be identified as a candidate to provide the aforementioned services in the event that the circumstances of this environmental disaster demands it?

You can contact me via e-mail or directly on my cell at 813-774-0221. You can visit our website at www.tampapathology.com or our sister company atwww.DermPrep.com.

I wish you all the strength and energy that an e-mail can bring. I'm sure a normal 8-hour day would feel like a vacation right now.

All the best,

Craig Blanton
Account Executive
Tampa Pathology Laboratory
C: 813-774-0221
O: 813-932-0374
E: craig@TampaPathology.com

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Michael Ziccardi DVM MPVM PhD
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov
Sent: Wednesday, June 02, 2010 6:21 PM
To: Michael Ziccardi
Cc: Dave Rotstein; Stacy,Brian A; Barbara Schroeder
Subject: Re: Fwd: Necropsy

yep he is hitting us all up!

----- Original Message -----
From: Michael Ziccardi <mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu>
Date: Wednesday, June 2, 2010 6:18 pm
Subject: Fwd: Necropsy

> FYI
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> Begin forwarded message:
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> > From: "Craig Blanton" <craig@tampapathology.com>
> > Date: June 2, 2010 4:15:17 PM CDT
> > To: <mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu>
> > Subject: Necropsy
> >
> > Dr. Ziccardi,
> >
> > I am contacting your from Tampa Pathology Laboratory (TPL) in
> Tampa, FL. We can assist with necropsy services as well as animal
> pathology services including frozen tissue sectioning, tissue
> processing, embedding, slide preparation and immunohistochemistry.
> Who do I need to contact in order for our facility to be identified as
> a candidate to provide the aforementioned services in the event that
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> > I wish you all the strength and energy that an e-mail can bring.
> I'm sure a normal 8-hour day would feel like a vacation right now.
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> > All the best,
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Wednesday, June 02, 2010 8:22 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; vcornish@mmc.gov; Karen.Mitchell
Subject: 6/2 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

There were no sea turtles strandings reported/verified today.

There was one late report added for 6/1 in FL.

There were two unverified reports of floaters in AL (may have only been one animal) - unable to be located.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Simeon Hahn [Simeon.Hahn@noaa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, June 02, 2010 9:14 PM
To: Simeon Hahn; Dickerson, Dena D ERDC-EL-MS; Brian Stacy; Blair Witherington; Barbara.Schroeder; Kreitinger, Joseph P ERDC-EL-MS; andy landry; Michael Ziccardi; Tony Palagyi; atoline@entrix.com; Sheryan Epperly; sandy macpherson; Anne Marie Lauritsen; Meylan, Anne; Paul Richards; Alexis Gutierrez
Subject: [Fwd: addition of NE Gulf of Mx to subgroup proposal]

Attachments: NRDA In Water Sea Turtles Proposal DRAFT 30 May 2010 - St. Joseph Bay added.doc; Simeon_Hahn.vcf

NRDA In Water Sea Turtles Prop... Simeon_Hahn.vcf (464 B)

Making sure everyone on the subgroup got this email.

Simeon

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: addition of NE Gulf of Mx to subgroup proposal
Date: Tue, 01 Jun 2010 08:02:02 -0400
From: Meg Lamont <mmlamont@mindspring.com>
To: Simeon Hahn <Simeon.Hahn@noaa.gov>, "Dickerson, Dena D ERDC-EL-MS" <Dena.D.Dickerson@usace.army.mil>, Brian Stacy <Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov>, Blair Witherington <witherington@cfl.rr.com>, "Barbara.Schroeder" <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>, "Kreitinger, Joseph P ERDC-EL-MS" <Joseph.P.Kreitinger@usace.army.mil>, andy landry <landrya@tamug.edu>, Michael Ziccardi <mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu>, Tony Palagyi <TPalagyi@entrix.com>, atoline@entrix.com, Sheryan Epperly <Sheryan.Epperly@noaa.gov>, sandy macpherson <Sandy_MacPherson@fws.gov>, Anne Marie Lauritsen <Ann_Marie_Lauritsen@fws.gov>, "Meylan, Anne" <Anne.Meylan@MyFWC.com>, Paul Richards <Paul.Richards@noaa.gov>, Alexis Gutierrez <Alexis.Gutierrez@noaa.gov>
CC: Raymond Carthy <ngosi@ufl.edu>

Hello:

After reviewing the subgroup's proposal, we drafted a new addition for our work in the NE Gulf of Mexico that is more appropriate for inclusion. We've also added a section at the end proposing research on internesting adult females. We apologize for the late submission and will be available to discuss aspects of our work at the conference call this morning.

Thanks.

Meg

Margaret M. Lamont PhD
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352-209-4306 (phone)
mmlamont@mindspring.com

Stacy,Brian A

From: Michael Ziccardi [mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu]
Sent: Thursday, June 03, 2010 2:44 PM
To: Teri Rowles; Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov Schroeder; Sarah Wilkin; Alexis Gutierrez; Stacy,Brian A; Dave Rotstein
Subject: Oiling Status Determination

Attachments: Defined Categories of Stranded Marine Mammals 3 Jun.doc; ATT00001..htm

Defined Categories of Stranded... ATT00001..htm (6 KB)

Hello all-

I would like to establish the oiling status of as many of our animals as possible by this Saturday's report (5 Jun). I have re-worked the document I sent previously to address concerns about cause of death and the inability to conclusively evaluate advanced state carcasses. Pls review and we can discuss further via email. THX!

MZ

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, June 03, 2010 5:23 PM
To: Brian Stacy; Blair Witherington; Jeffrey Seminoff
Subject: [Fwd: Daily Update 6/3/2010 Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Health and Stranding Response - Deepwater Horizon MC252]

Attachments: MMST Health and Stranding Update 06-02-10 FINAL.doc; Mammal_Turtle_Data_02_June_FINAL.xls; Mammal_Turtle_Data_02_June_FINAL-SUMMARY.xls

MMST Health and Stranding Upda... Mammal_Turtle_Data_02_June_FIN... Mammal_Turtle_Data_02_June_FIN...

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Daily Update 6/3/2010 Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Health and Stranding Response - Deepwater Horizon MC252
Date: Thu, 03 Jun 2010 12:13:55 -0500
From: Sarah Wilkin <Sarah.Wilkin@noaa.gov>
To: Helen Golde <Helen.Golde@noaa.gov>, Brian.T.Pawlak@noaa.gov, Michael.S.Gallagher@noaa.gov, Jenni.Wallace@noaa.gov, Deb.Lambert@noaa.gov, Lauren.B.Lugo@noaa.gov, ICC.NMFS@noaa.gov, John.Oliver@noaa.gov, Christopher.Meaney@noaa.gov, John.Rapp@noaa.gov, Christopher S Moore <Christopher.S.Moore@noaa.gov>, Jessica Kondel <Jessica.Kondel@noaa.gov>, Steve Murawski <Steve.Murawski@noaa.gov>, Ned Cyr <Ned.Cyr@noaa.gov>, Kirsten Larsen <Kirsten.Larsen@noaa.gov>, Beth Lumsden <Beth.Lumsden@noaa.gov>
CC: Janet Whaley <Janet.Whaley@noaa.gov>, Trevor.Spradlin@noaa.gov, Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov, mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu, Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov, David.Cottingham@noaa.gov, Jaclyn.Taylor@noaa.gov, Blair.Mase@noaa.gov, Connie.Barclay@noaa.gov, Monica.Allen@noaa.gov, nmfs.ser.emergency.consult@noaa.gov, HoumaICC.MMST@noaa.gov, MobileICC.MMST@noaa.gov, StPeteICC.MMST@noaa.gov, Mendy Garron <Mendy.Garron@noaa.gov>
References: <2c3f72f2c44da0.2c44da02c3f72f@noaa.gov> <4BFF3E69.6000209@noaa.gov> <4C014599.7090305@noaa.gov> <4C029E79.7010107@noaa.gov> <4C03E60C.5000101@noaa.gov> <4C0544BB.5010106@noaa.gov> <4C06B647.2030102@noaa.gov>

Hi,

Attached is the daily summary from the Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Health and Stranding Response Programs operating under the Unified Command. There are three files: a Word document using the new narrative template and two Excel spreadsheets. Once Excel file provides a breakdown by species; the other has only daily summary totals, as requested.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thanks,
Sarah & the Team

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National Sea Turtle Coordinator
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration - NMFS

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Phone: 301-713-2322

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Thursday, June 03, 2010 8:52 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; vcornish@mmc.gov; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 6/3 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

There were two turtle strandings verified today:

FG - 0
AL - 1 - live pelagic loggerhead found floating next to a boom, visible oil on turtle, taken to IMMS for rehab MS - 1 LA - 0

There was 1 unverified report of a floating turtle in Alabama - not located.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Michael Ziccardi [mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu]
Sent: Friday, June 04, 2010 7:14 AM
To: Barbara.Schroeder Schroeder; Teri Rowles; Sarah Wilkin; Alexis Gutierrez; Stacy,Brian A; Dave Rotstein
Subject: Comments of the Oiling Criteria Doc?

Attachments: Defined Categories of Stranded Marine Mammals 3 Jun.doc; ATT00001..htm

Defined Categories of Stranded... ATT00001..htm (6 KB)

Would like this buttoned up today if possible. Thx.

MZ

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 04, 2010 8:44 AM
To: Daniel Hahn
Cc: Simeon Hahn; sheila obrien; Teri Rowles; Lisa Symons; Rob Ricker; Mike Ziccardi; Brian Stacy
Subject: Re: [Fwd: Fwd: Some key folks that should be involved in the NRDA turtle assessment plan development process]

Attachments: NRDA In Water Sea Turtles Proposal DRAFT 30 May 2010 - St. Joseph Bay added-1bas comments.doc

NRDA In Water Sea Turtles Prop...

Attached are my comments on the last version of the proposal that I received. I did not comment on the contaminant section as I understand that is further explained in an Appendix or Attachment document.
Contaminant testing is not my area of expertise but I do have some overarching broad questions about how we will make the case for what may be measured vs. background levels that likely do not exist for turtles, especially across species, life stage, sex, and area. This section deserves broader review by additional experts. I would like to see each proposal element start out with a very very clear description of what exactly they plan to measure and exactly how that will provide NRDA with the data by which you can measure and defend in court damage/harm to sea turtles.

Barbara Schroeder
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email: barbara.schroeder@noaa.gov
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Daniel Hahn wrote:
> Barbara and Simeon,
> It would be great if you could coordinate on contacting some (or all)
> of the individuals on the list. Turtles are high profile and we want
> to be sure we have the expertise we need.
> Barbara, what is the current status of your review on the turtle
> proposal? Do we need additional review and comment by some of those
> identified on the list? If so, we should get people on board as
> quickly as possible. We should be able to contract outside experts
> through IEc fairly easily.
>
> Dan
>

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 04, 2010 9:01 AM
To: Blair Witherington; Brian Stacy
Subject: NRDA comments

Attachments: NRDA In Water Sea Turtles Proposal DRAFT 30 May 2010 - St. Joseph Bay added-1bas comments.doc

NRDA In Water Sea Turtles Prop...

Brian, you've been on the email chain that now has what may be folks above Simeon on it. I'm sure I am now the anti-Christ. Oh well. The current proposal is so full of holes, it may just sink on its own. Here are the comments I sent. They aren't eloquent but I don't have time or inclination when the proposals are so lacking in relevant details.

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Simeon Hahn [Simeon.Hahn@noaa.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 04, 2010 11:54 AM
To: Simeon Hahn; Dickerson, Dena D ERDC-EL-MS; Brian Stacy; Blair Witherington; Barbara.Schroeder; Kreitinger, Joseph P ERDC-EL-MS; andy landry; Michael Ziccardi; Tony Palagyi; atoline@entrix.com; Sheryan Epperly; sandy macpherson; Anne Marie Lauritsen; Meylan, Anne; Paul Richards; Alexis Gutierrez; Kyle Baker; Sheila.O'Brien@noaa.gov; Daphne Macfarlan
Subject: NRDA turtle workplan comments

Attachments: NRDA Turtles Proposal DRAFT 30 May 2010 bas comments.doc; NRDA In Water Sea Turtles Capture Telemetry Toxicity 26 May 2010.docx; Simeon_Hahn.vcf

NRDA Turtles Proposal DRAFT 30.. NRDA In Water Sea Turtles Capt... Simeon_Hahn.vcf (464 B)

provided by Blair and Barbara

Simeon

Stacy,Brian A

From: Javier Velasco [velasco@wisc.edu]
Sent: Friday, June 04, 2010 5:34 PM
To: StacyB@vetmed.ufl.edu
Cc: Jeanette Wyneken
Subject: Autopsy Samples

Brian.-
I am a graduate student working on the reproductive effects of PAHs and other chemicals on sea turtles. Jeanette recommended I talked to you about possibly obtaining some samples from the necropsies being performed in the sea turtles that have been found dead in the Gulf. I would like to talk to you about my project and the possibility of working together. When would it be a good time to talk to you?
J.-

Javier Velasco
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Porter Laboratory
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Molecular and Environmental Toxicology
University of Wisconsin - Madison

2010-00512 emailOPR000713MO

Stacy,Brian A

From: Michael Ziccardi [mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu]
Sent: Saturday, June 05, 2010 6:09 PM
To: Teri Rowles; Barbara.Schroeder Schroeder; Sarah Wilkin; Alexis Gutierrez; Stacy,Brian A; Dave Rotstein
Subject: Modified Oiling Status Doc

Attachments: Defined Categories of Stranded Marine Mammals 5 Jun.doc; ATT00001..htm

Defined Categories of Stranded... ATT00001..htm (6 KB)

Hello all-

Here is the final modified doc taking into account the comments I received. Pls review one final time. I would like to move forward ASAP to get our "pending" numbers correctly categorized. teri and Barbara, if you feel these need tobe vetted by NOAA head honchos, pls let me know. Thx.

MZ

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara.Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Sunday, June 06, 2010 2:59 PM
To: Brian Stacy; Blair Witherington
Subject: [Fwd: Daily Update 6/6/2010 Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Health and Stranding Response - Deepwater Horizon MC252]

Attachments: MMST Health and Stranding Update 06-05-10 FINAL.doc; Mammal_Turtle_Data_05_June_FINAL.xls; Mammal_Turtle_Data_05_June_FINAL-SUMMARY.xls

MMST Health and Stranding Upda... Mammal_Turtle_Data_05_June_FIN... Mammal_Turtle_Data_05_June_FIN...

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Daily Update 6/6/2010 Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Health and Stranding Response - Deepwater Horizon MC252
Date: Sun, 06 Jun 2010 13:58:08 -0500
From: Sarah Wilkin <Sarah.Wilkin@noaa.gov>
To: DWHreport.Wildlife@noaa.gov, nmfs.ser.emergency.consult@noaa.gov
CC: Janet Whaley <Janet.Whaley@noaa.gov>, Trevor Spradlin <Trevor.Spradlin@noaa.gov>, Teri Rowles <Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov>, Michael Ziccardi <mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu>, Barbara Schroeder <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>, David Cottingham <David.Cottingham@noaa.gov>, Jaclyn Taylor <Jaclyn.Taylor@noaa.gov>, blair Mase <Blair.Mase@noaa.gov>, HoumaICC.MMST@noaa.gov, MobileICC.MMST@noaa.gov, StPeteICC.MMST@noaa.gov

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Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thanks,
Sarah & the Team

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Sunday, June 06, 2010 9:34 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 6/6/10 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

There were 6 sea turtle strandings verified today:

FL - 1
AL - 1
MS - 1
LA - 3

There were likely several additional strandings verified/recovered today in MS but specific information on these animals was not yet available at the time of this report.

There were 5 heavily oiled turtles recovered by the on-water search/capture team:
3 live Kemp's ridleys
1 live hawksbill
1 dead Kemp's ridley

There were 3 turtle reports that were unable to be verified today:
AL - 1 dead turtle in remote location - will attempt to recover tomorrow AL - 1 live visibly oiled turtle reported by marine police, turtle said to be diving and surfacing, unable to recover MS - 1 floating turtle, unable to be recovered

Please see attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Dave.Rotstein@noaa.gov
Sent: Monday, June 07, 2010 6:32 AM
To: stacyb@vetmed.ufl.edu; Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov
Subject: Audubon-personnel travel

Brian:

Here's what I have concerning dates that Cara and Bob will be out:

Cara: June 19-23

Bob: July 24-Aug 1st

My plan was to head down there to "cover" for them, but it was more for the necropsy end of things; I told them I would be glad to assist/help with live turtles--I would say there would be more experienced vets for the live animals!

If it looks like the live animal component is more active and the pathology less so, than I can adjust plans.

Regarding turtle necropsies--if you do want to tackle any turtle necropsies (turtle rodeo) during the dates let me know.

I thought if you and I could discuss this first so we can try to coordinate schedules (if we need to).

thanks,

d.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy Teas [Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 07, 2010 1:39 PM
To: Ashford-Hodges, Natalie; Brian Stacy
Subject: Re: Data on marine turtles testes mass and body mass?

Hi Natalie,

I am not aware of anyone who would have weighed testes in sea turtles.
I am copying Brian Stacy at the University of FL who has conducted many necropsies to ask if he has ever done this or if he knows on anyone who has. Please be patient if it takes Brian some time to get back with you
- we are all heavily involved in the oil spill situation and he is currently in the field.

Thanks,
Wendy

Ashford-Hodges, Natalie wrote:
> Dear Wendy
>
> My name is Natalie, I'm a masters student at Imperial College London in the UK, and am currently working on a research project investigating testes mass allometry in aquatic amniotes. I'm trying to find data on average body mass and testes mass, for as many species as possible, and was wondering if you have any data from necropsy reports on stranded marine turtles as I am struggling to find published data on testes mass in turtles? Alternatively if you could suggest any other research groups you think would have this kind of data, I'd really appreciate it?
>
> Thanks very much for your help.
>
> Best wishes
> Natalie
>

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy Teas [Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 07, 2010 10:23 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Karen.Mitchell
Subject: 6/7 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

There were 4 turtle strandings verified today:
FL - 2
AL - 1
MS - report not received
LA - 1 - this turtle had visible external oil, pelagic size "smaller than a dinner plate"

There were 11 reports added for MS on 6/6 that came in after yesterday's report.

See attached Excel file for details.

In addition, there were 7 unverified turtle reports today:
AL - 5 floating turtles, not located
LA - 2 turtles that could not be located, possibly floated out with tide

Stacy,Brian A

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Sent: Tuesday, June 08, 2010 9:42 AM
To: Hoffsis,Glen F; Payne,Jack M
Cc: Francis-Floyd,Ruth; Walsh,Michael T; Brian Stacy; Iske Larkin; John Harvey
Subject: Re: Oil spill and vet med

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Please prepare our response. Thanks. Glen

From: Payne,Jack M
To: Hoffsis,Glen F
Sent: Mon Jun 07 17:36:07 2010
Subject: FW: Oil spill and vet med

Hi Glen!

I had my first 1:1 with Bernie today and he wanted info on UF's role regarding oil spill. I am summarizing what is being done with fisheries, coastal wetland impacts, etc. I believe that the College of Veterinary Medicine is playing a big role in regard to assisting sea turtles, manatees and dolphins impacted by the oil. Can you provide me with details as Bernie wants to mention this Friday at the Board of Trustees meeting.

Thanks,
Jack

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From: Monica Allen [Monica.Allen@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 08, 2010 5:30 PM
To: Brian Stacy
Cc: Barbara Schroeder
Subject: A reporter's request to write about necropsy process with your help

Hi Dr. Stacy,
First -- Thank you for all that you are doing in the on-water turtle project and the previous necropsies. I read the daily Wildlife Branch reports (and condense them for the NOAA OR & R website) and have submitted the excellent photos of you and Mark Dodd of Georgia DNR to NOAA's Facebook for a posting that has received many favorable comments.
I have a sense of how busy you must be and perhaps how hard this work is. I wanted to tell you about a reporter request that we talked about back before the on-water project. And I wanted to see if you were still interested in assisting the NY Times reporter with her story.

Shaila Dewan, the national correspondent for the NY Times based in Atlanta, wants to see a turtle necropsy for a story she is doing on the investigation of animal deaths in the Gulf spill. She'd also like to then visit the lab where animal tissue is tested and see that process.
She wants to put the whole story together as an inside look at this investigative forensic process.

You mentioned that you were okay with her attending a necropsy (as long as she's prepared for the smell, etc.). Can you suggest times and locations where you might be able to allow the reporter in to an upcoming necropsy? I'll have to get this formally blessed here at NOAA.
And can you also tell me if you know where any tissue samples have gone already and where they are expected to be, or have been tested and who the reporter might talk to on this end?

This email is certainly not to put any pressure on you. I just know it's taking time to help journalists and I want to get started with this plan with your help and see if we can assist the Times on this.

If you'd rather talk about this by phone, I am very happy to do that. My cell phone is below.

Thank you,
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Subject: Coverage for oil spill centers

Hi Everyone,

This e-mail is being sent to determine what experienced vets in the Southeast region we may be able to call on for some assistance for marine species at active centers currently involved with the oil spill and to also have the list for developing issues that may occur in the Southeast in the near future. We realize many of you are already at facilities and we all have other jobs but there may be a number of areas where we can assist each other based on the spill movement and locations affected. We are currently developing a contract with BP for services regarding Audubon and Gulf World. I have put in calls to Lydia and Bob and talked with both to make sure we coordinate the original process concept with them to direct this in the way they need or envision. Bob is looking for 6 months onsite consistency from a vet and technician so we are putting him in touch with someone that may be able to give that much time. Forrest Townsend is fairly close to Lydia geographically and will serve as a first contact but there may be more need if things get even busier. This would involve oil spilled animals as well as necropsies.

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Cc: Stacy, Dr. Brian; Rotstein, Dr. Dave; Fougeres, Erin ; Blair Mase; Courtney,Charles H,III; mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu
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That is a good point. It sounds like a lot of different inquiries are being made from numerous individuals and groups and maybe we can come up with an approach that is more coordinated. A number of the groups that are logical sources of experienced people in the southeast will be overlapping taking both turtles and mammals so bringing two main lists together would make sense as the system matures.

Are the AAZV and AZA coordinated through the command structure by requests or are they just being proactive and wanting to help? Many of us in the marine field don't use AAZV as a priority contact and many of the institutions are not AZA related so different organizations have different lists and knowledge bases. Perhaps it would be better to use the stranding networks as the main filter and have the other groups coordinate their findings through them. The difference between the sea turtle network and the mammal networks could be coordinated through just two individuals (one turtle medical, one medical mammal ?)working with NOAA personnel like Erin, Blair and Sarah who could also share their activities to stream line this. Maybe Mike Z and Brian have some thoughts or opinions on not getting too many redundant systems going.

Lets see what the response is from this since as I am typing this I got two other replys that have not had overlap in requests yet.
Mike, Brian, Blair and Erin. Let us know your thoughts so we don't frustrate some potential help.

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I'm wondering if there is some coordination in the requests for assistance? I've heard from and responded to Brian Stacy and Dave Rotstein regarding availability for sea turtles and marine mammals, respectively, Sarah McNulty from NOAA has contacted us to set up a contract through NCSU CVM in the event that any of our veterinarians or veterinary technicians might be called upon for sea turtles, now you, the AAZV and AZA are circulating their requests and database sign-ups, and I've been contacted by some dude from Entrix, it's all getting a bit confusing.
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Subject: Barbara Schroeder at today's press conference on sea turtles' plight

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From: Sylvia Wright <swright@ucdavis.edu>
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Sent: Thu Jun 10 20:32:25 2010
Subject: Re: AP from today. W story this time.

Oily sea turtles get dosed with mayo in cleanup JANET McCONNAUGHEY

Rescuing oiled sea turtles is a learn-as-you-go process for veterinarians and other scientists — the Gulf of Mexico oil spill is the first to affect sea turtles in any number.

Treatments may change later, said Robert MacLean, senior veterinarian for Audubon Nature Institute, which houses the center treating 27 oiled sea turtles on New Orleans' west bank.

But for now, one of the first doses the turtles get is a mixture of cod-liver oil and mayonnaise to help break up the heavy oil they've swallowed.

"This stuff is so hard to get rid of — it's very sticky and tacky oil. It's very difficult to wipe off," MacLean said Thursday.

All five sea turtle species in the Gulf of Mexico are threatened or endangered. MacLean, Louisiana sea turtle and marine mammal stranding coordinator Michele Kelley and others at the Aquatic Center are treating 22 young Kemp's ridley turtles, considered the most endangered, two hawksbills, two loggerheads and one green turtle.

Most were caught well offshore in the Gulf of Mexico, with two each captured in Louisiana and Alabama state waters.

They all got an immediate wipe-down with oil-absorbent pads. But there was still plenty to wash off when they arrived at the treatment center, MacLean said. And swabs came up black from their throats. So he knows they've swallowed the stuff.

That's one of the major worries for sea turtles. Young turtles live out on the ocean, in areas where winds and currents drive large amounts of sargassum algae. The sargassum provides shelter from predators and food — small fish, crabs and other invertebrates who live in the algae.

"It's an entire ecosystem, just like forests and marshes. It's just offshore," said Barbara Schroeder, sea turtle coordinator for the National Fisheries Service.

And the same winds and currents that drive the sargassum also drive oil that covers it. So young turtles in oily sargassum will eat oily prey. They may also mistake tarballs for prey — something adult sea turtles are known to do, even when there's no oil spill to create huge numbers of such clumps.

Along with the first oil-mayo treatment, the turtles get the first of 10 antibiotic shots and fluids to help dilute any pollutants and move them out of their bodies.

That is followed about 36 hours later by activated charcoal, just as a person who swallowed poison might be given, and kaolin to protect their guts. A second dose of medicinal salad dressing is given three days after arrival.

They're also force-fed every three days until they'll eat on their own, to keep the gastrointestinal tract working and move out the oil.

Although 279 dead sea turtles have been found along the Gulf Coast since the Deepwater Horizon well blew wild late April 20, none of the 70 or so necropsied so far has had any visible oil, said Barbara Schroeder, sea turtle coordinator for the National Fisheries Service.

Audubon Aquarium spokeswoman Meghan Calhoun said 33 live turtles have been brought to the center. Three Kemp's ridley turtles weren't oiled, and three of those that were oiled have died in the past few days, she said.

The non-oiled turtles got checkups, including blood tests.

None of the turtles is ready to release, and officials don't know when they will be, Schroeder said.

"We don't have much expertise with oiled turtles. Birds have been much more affected by oil spills" in the past, she said.

But the 27 now being treated are all active and eating on their own, said Michael Ziccardi, a veterinarian and oiled wildlife expert at the University of California-Davis, and head of the current spill's sea turtle and marine mammal response.

"I think these individuals have a very good chance of survival on release," he said.

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Subject: 6/10 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

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There were 16 strandings verified today:

FL - 0
AL - 0
MS - 15
LA - 1

There were an additional 10-14 strandings that were reported in MS that were not verified/recovered. These will be recovered tomorrow morning.

There were 5 reports of floating turtles that were not recovered - 2 offshore AL and 3 offshore MS.

There were 4 turtles recovered in the live capture operation today, all were heavily oiled - 3 live Kemp's ridleys (all taken to AOA) and 1 dead Kemp's ridley (necropsied today by Dr. Brian Stacy).

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See attached Excel file for details.

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Sent: Saturday, June 12, 2010 8:26 AM
To: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Cc: Brian Stacy; Barbara.Schroeder Schroeder; Sarah Wilkin
Subject: Re: 6/11 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Hi Wendy-

Thx for this. I had 2 questions:

1) The live turtle from FL, you have "possible oiled" in the text but "oiled" and highlighted in the table. Do you think it is best to change the table to indicate possible oiled and remove the highlighting for now (until Brian confirms on necropsy)?

2) I had sent you previously (June 4) a modified spreadsheet that would make it easier on our end to sort and count the data. Barbara said you and she would be working on a modified reporting mechanism. It would be really helpful for me to move towards a way to make oiling a yes/no column, separating on-water from LA strandings, and defining outcomes as Salvaged/Not Salvaged/Died in rehab/Live in rehab/Released. Can we please move towards this?

Thx!

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Attachments: criteria for long-term holding for rehab.doc

criteria for long-term holding...

Here is the excerpted text that is relevant to rehabilitation, from the FFWCC permit holder guidelines. I am getting a copy of the actual Audubon USFWS permit to confirm these are incorporated by reference or outright. I probably saw that earlier, and maybe you did to, but I don't recall the details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Michael Ziccardi [mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu]
Sent: Saturday, June 12, 2010 6:44 PM
To: Walsh,Michael T
Cc: 'craig_harms@ncsu.edu'; Stacy, Dr. Brian; Rotstein, Dr. Dave; Fougeres, Erin ; Blair Mase; Courtney,Charles H,III
Subject: Re: Coverage for oil spill centers

Hi all-

I have spoken w/ both Joe Smith (representing AZA) and Rob Hilsenroth (representing AAZV). Both explored getting interested individuals signed up on their own, and I have told them that we welcomed their organization of these names and we would definitely contact them when the need hit. Recently, I spoke more w/ Joe about getting some coverage for field retrieval of turtles and mammals (and possibly stabilization of turtles) for us in areas, and he said he would be checking on the availability of folks. I asked him to work directly w/ AAZV in the case of veterinarians, but I would prefer to primarily go to AZA as our needs go beyond veterinary care. Brian has been coordinating our veterinary aspects for turtles, and has developed a list of vets to rotate through as the need arises, so I will have him address that.

Thx!

Mike

On Jun 10, 2010, at 5:49 PM, Walsh,Michael T wrote:

> That is a good point. It sounds like a lot of different inquiries are being made from numerous individuals and groups and maybe we can come up with an approach that is more coordinated. A number of the groups that are logical sources of experienced people in the southeast will be overlapping taking both turtles and mammals so bringing two main lists together would make sense as the system matures.
>
> Are the AAZV and AZA coordinated through the command structure by requests or are they just being proactive and wanting to help? Many of us in the marine field don't use AAZV as a priority contact and many of the institutions are not AZA related so different organizations have different lists and knowledge bases. Perhaps it would be better to use the stranding networks as the main filter and have the other groups coordinate their findings through them. The difference between the sea turtle network and the mammal networks could be coordinated through just two individuals (one turtle medical, one medical mammal ?)working with NOAA personnel like Erin, Blair and Sarah who could also share their activities to stream line this. Maybe Mike Z and Brian have some thoughts or opinions on not getting too many redundant systems going.
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> Lets see what the response is from this since as I am typing this I got two other replys that have not had overlap in requests yet.
> Mike, Brian, Blair and Erin. Let us know your thoughts so we don't frustrate some potential help.
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Craig Harms [mailto:craig_harms@ncsu.edu]
> Sent: Thursday, June 10, 2010 6:08 PM
> To: Walsh,Michael T

Cc: Stacy, Dr. Brian; Rotstein, Dr. Dave; Fougeres, Erin ; Blair Mase; Courtney,Charles H,III; mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu
Subject: Re: Coverage for oil spill centers

Hi Mike,
Firstly, yes, willing to get involved for 2 - 3 week stints (more than one, but on balance need to be back at NCSU more than in GOM), and also potentially rotating some of our residents and technicians. Sea turtle and cetacean experience. Limited on the manatees, but our resident Eric Anderson has manatee experience.
I'm wondering if there is some coordination in the requests for assistance? I've heard from and responded to Brian Stacy and Dave Rotstein regarding availability for sea turtles and marine mammals, respectively, Sarah McNulty from NOAA has contacted us to set up a contract through NCSU CVM in the event that any of our veterinarians or veterinary technicians might be called upon for sea turtles, now you, the AAZV and AZA are circulating their requests and database sign-ups, and I've been contacted by some dude from Entrix, it's all getting a bit confusing.
Craig

Walsh,Michael T wrote:

Hi Everyone,

This e-mail is being sent to determine what experienced vets in the Southeast region we may be able to call on for some assistance for marine species at active centers currently involved with the oil spill and to also have the list for developing issues that may occur in the Southeast in the near future. We realize many of you are already at facilities and we all have other jobs but there may be a number of areas where we can assist each other based on the spill movement and locations affected. We are currently developing a contract with BP for services regarding Audubon and Gulf World. I have put in calls to Lydia and Bob and talked with both to make sure we coordinate the original process concept with them to direct this in the way they need or envision. Bob is looking for 6 months onsite consistency from a vet and technician so we are putting him in touch with someone that may be able to give that much time. Forrest Townsend is fairly close to Lydia geographically and will serve as a first contact but there may be more need if things get even busier. This would involve oil spilled animals as well as necropsies.

Charlie Courtney is our point person for developing the contract and he knows we are trying to get clarification from the two centers mentioned above. We are asking for a reply from the already dedicated vets in the Southeast region if you would be willing to help out with one to two plus weeks of time if needed. There is a daily salary and allowance for food and expenses so no one or organization has to foot the bill. So to keep this further organized please let us know the following:

1. If you are willing to get involved. We will get a calendar together soon once we get the contract solidified. Send your replies to Charlie and I.

2. If you have sea turtle experience as well as cetacean experience

(and manatee experience just in case) 3. If you have suggestions for other experienced vets outside the Southeast region. We thought we would start with this group then branch out from there and eventually have a running lists of vets available for this unpredictable shifting event.

Thanks very much for your consideration, Mike Walsh

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Michael Ziccardi [mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu]
Sent: Saturday, June 12, 2010 9:02 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A; Barbara.Schroeder Schroeder
Subject: Fwd: [Fwd: Fwd: [ER] Request for veterinary assistance]

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Walsh,Michael T" <walshm@ufl.edu>

Date: June 11, 2010 1:09:30 PM CDT

To: "'craig_harms@ncsu.edu'" <craig_harms@ncsu.edu>, "'erin.fougeres@noaa.gov'" <erin.fougeres@noaa.gov>, "'Blair.Mase@noaa.gov'" <Blair.Mase@noaa.gov>, "'mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu'" <mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu>

Subject: Re: [Fwd: Fwd: [ER] Request for veterinary assistance]

Hi Craig,
I am working off a blackberry so limited on my address book. Can you forward this info to Brian so they are aware of the crossing of purpose. As contracts are being written wouls suggest it is time to consolidate and pull their lists under the NMFS southeast region and get one non contract list of vets in one location. We should set up an list with calender availability and background for assignment.
..Ike

----- Original Message -----
From: Craig Harms <craig_harms@ncsu.edu>
To: Walsh,Michael T
Sent: Thu Jun 10 19:34:37 2010
Subject: [Fwd: Fwd: [ER] Request for veterinary assistance]

Hi Mike,
Below is an email from the AZA list serve (forwarded to me by one of our residents), and here is the AAZV web site:
http://www.aazv.org/displayconvention.cfm?conventionnbr=8616

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Fwd: [ER] Request for veterinary assistance
Date: Thu, 10 Jun 2010 15:27:13 -0400
From: Betsy Stringer <Betsy_Stringer@ncsu.edu>
To: Craig Harms <craig_harms@ncsu.edu>
References: <C60E2A9F874F480EB8048AF6E1969DFC@fortwaynezoo.org>

here's another email from that listserv specifically requesting

veterinarians with aquatic experience -

Betsy Stringer, DVM
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North Carolina State University and
North Carolina Zoological Park
Betsy_Stringer@ncsu.edu <mailto:Betsy_Stringer@ncsu.edu>

Begin forwarded message:

*From: *"Dr. Joe Smith" <vet@kidszoo.org <mailto:vet@kidszoo.org>>

*Date: *June 10, 2010 11:03:13 AM EDT

*To: *<er@lists.aza.org <mailto:er@lists.aza.org>>

*Subject: **[ER] Request for veterinary assistance*

Dear Colleagues,

I have a request for assistance from the aquatic side of the wildlife

operation!

For those that may not know, the wildlife response is basically

divided into

two main branches. The terrestrial wildlife branch deals with birds,

terrestrial herps, and terrestrial mammals. The primary BP contractor is

Tri-State Bird Rescue and Research with primary oversight by USFWS. The

second branch is the aquatics wildlife branch which deals with sea turtles

and marine mammals. The primary BP contractor is the Oiled Wildlife Care Network with primary oversight by NOAA.

The OWCN has contacted me to request assistance with filling two positions:

1) Field response and sampling teams:

Up to 9 teams of 2 individuals each to be stationed along the coastlines of the Gulf of Mexico to respond to stranded marine mammals and sea turtles. Each team would be conducting primary field response, sampling, and carcass retrieval for marine mammals and sea turtles within approximately 2 hours of their home base. Sampling would include field necropsy on appropriate-condition carcasses. The anticipated need for personnel is 6-9 months. Each team would ideally consist of one experienced necropsy

technician/veterinarian and one biologist/stranding technician. The team does not have to consist of the same people for the entire duration, but folks could rotate through these roles as needed.

2) Veterinary Support - Animal Care and Pathology

Up to 10 veterinarians, stationed at rehabilitation and necropsy facilities along the coastlines of the Gulf of Mexico to provide veterinary support. Each veterinarian would be providing support to the facilities as needed. This may be with clinical animal care and treatment for marine mammals and sea turtles in rehabilitation. It might also include leading or supporting necropsies of dead animals.

The OWCN is looking to have volunteers present for a minimum of 2 weeks, but preferably 3 weeks. There will need to be a 2-day overlap between shifts.

Travel, lodging, truck rental, and per diem would be paid by BP, but a contract would need to be signed. We are investigating possibilities with the contracts, including the possibility of a blanket contract with AZA.

Vehicles or funds for a rental will be provided.

Individual states are giving one-time waivers allowing veterinarians to practice medicine for the purposes of the gulf wildlife cleanup without having a state license. These approvals are being coordinated through the OWCN.

Zoo/Aquarium veterinarians of all skill levels are needed for the veterinarian positions. The assistant position can be filled by anyone in the animal field with a strong interest--you do not have to be a veterinary

technician or other medical professional.

A response from NOAA regarding required training: "The online training is sufficient at this point. Also, we will have access to a USFWS training center that's being set up in Morgan City, LA (just south of Houma) that offers an in-person 1-day HAZWOPER that will be equivalent to a 16-hour course. The in-person course will include putting on PPE and other "experiences" that you can't get online, so if people (or their

organizations) are more comfortable with that approach, and they are

coming

to someplace near Louisiana, they could come a day early and take it."

There is an immediate need for assistance, but it will take some time

to get

the contract details worked out.

If you are interested in helping with this effort, please let me know

names

of volunteers, skill levels, and availability dates.

Thanks!

-Joe-

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Saturday, June 12, 2010 9:24 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 6/12 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

There were 10 turtle strandings verified today:
FL - 2 - both Kemp's ridleys, 1 dead and 1 alive - the live one was possibly oiled AL - 0
MS - 8 - 7 Kemp's ridleys and 1 loggerhead LA - 0

There were several floating turtles reported today that could not be verified - 1 in FL and several in MS.

There were 3 oiled Kemp's ridleys captured by the on-water capture operations today.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Sunday, June 13, 2010 9:51 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Karen.Mitchell; Brian Stacy
Subject: 6/13 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled and Oiled.xls

Stranded Turtles - Non-oiled a...

There were 11 strandings verified today:
FL - 1 dead loggerhead
AL - 2 dead Kemp's ridleys
MS - 7 total - 4 dead Kemp's ridleys and 3 live Kemp's ridleys (caught on hook and line at pier) LA - 1 dead Kemp's ridley

There were 2 late reports added for 6/12:
MS - 1 dead Kemp's ridley
LA - 1 live Kemp's ridley, taken to Ft. Jackson, then to Audubon

There were 7 reports of floating turtles that were not recovered - 4 in AL and 3 in MS.

There were 11 live oiled turtles captured by on-water recovery operations - 10 Kemp's ridleys and 1 green turtle, all were taken to Audubon for de-oiling and rehab.

Please see attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Monday, June 14, 2010 10:02 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Karen.Mitchell
Subject: 6/14 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There were 3 strandings verified today:
FL - 1 loggerhead
AL - 0
MS - 1 Kemp's ridley
LA - 1 Kemp's ridley

There were 5 late reports added:
6/12 - FL - 1 green turtle
6/13 - MS - 1 Kemp's ridley
6/13 - LA - 3 Kemp's ridleys

There were 5 or 6 turtles reported on Mississippi islands (Cat and Ship)
today - these will be checked tomorrow if a boat is available.
There were 7 reports of floating turtles in MS that were not recovered.

There were 11 oiled turtles captured in on-water operations today - 10 Kemp's ridleys and 1 loggerhead.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Heather Harris [heathersharris@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 1:18 PM
To: Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov; Brian Stacy
Subject: spill assistance

Hi Brian,
Just wanted to offer my assistance to you...necropsy support, data management, protocols, whatever. Our Indonesia leatherback field work has been delayed until mid July so my schedule is open. I have lots of spill experience in CA (used to work for CDFG-OSPR), and my HAZWOPER is current.
HH

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 9:58 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Karen.Mitchell
Subject: 6/15 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
trandings and Live..

There were 4 turtle strandings verified today:
FL - 1 dead unidentified species
AL - 0
MS - 1 dead Kemp's ridley
LA - 2 dead Kemp's ridleys

There were 4 late reports added, all from MS:
6/10 - 2 dead Kemp's ridleys
6/12 - 1 live Kemp's ridley, caught on hook and line at Waveland Pier
6/13 - 1 live Kemp's ridley, caught on hook and line at Waveland Pier

There were 2 additional turtle reports in MS that they will try to verify tomorrow.
There were 5 reports of floating turtles in MS that were not recovered.

There were 7 oiled turtles captured by the on-water capture operation -

4 Kemp's ridleys and 3 green turtles - all were taken to AOA for de- oiling and rehab.

Please see attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Michael Ziccardi [mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 10:18 AM
To: carrie.goethel@ecological-associates.com; Jackie_Isaacs@fws.gov; jessica.powell; katie.hartwig@ecological-associates.com; Allen Foley; Derek Gulfarium; karen.shudes@ecological-associates.com; Laura Engleby; meghan.koperski@myfws.com; niki.desjardin@ecological-associates.com; Secret Holmes; Connie Merigo; kate.sampson@noaa.gov; Mandy Tumlin; Marina A. Piscitelli; Michele Kelley; Shane Boylan; Barbara.Schroeder Schroeder; elizabeth tuohy-sheen; Carrie Hubard; Dave Rotstein; Don Ballard; Kaiti Ferguson; Michael Ziccardi; Nicole_Adimey@fws.gov; Sandy MacPherson; Sara McNutly; Teri Rowles; Wendy Teas; Lisa Belskis; Moby Solangi; tim@imms.org Hoffland; Delphine Vanderpool; Connie Chevis; Sarah Wilkin; Blair Mase; Karyn Kearney; Sylvia Wright; Alison Kent; Blair Witherington; Stacy,Brian A; Erin Fougeres; Trevor Spradlin; Jaclyn Taylor
Subject: DWH Media Plan

Hello all-

I realized that we have not recently discussed the media plan for this response, especially with new people rotating in and out. The goals of our information getting out is to get the best and most accurate info to the public while abiding by the rules of the Unified Command. The pertinent points are below:

1) Media Inquiries: All media inquiries (interviews, reporters visiting facilities, etc.) must be cleared by the JIC (Joint Information Center). They typically will have no problem with people speaking to the media about what they are doing, but want a record of who is speaking to whom. The number to call is 985-902-5231. Alternative, you can call me and I can walk over to the Information Officer here on site in Houma and try and get approval.

2) Photos: Photos of all animals and facilities must also be cleared by the JIC prior to distribution to media, on internet sources (including blogs and FaceBook), etc. Taking snapshots for personal use or to show friends and family are OK (as long as the facility coordinator is OK w/ it), but please do not distribute these on organization websites, via local media, etc. We need to ensure media going out accurately portrays our operations, displays proper use of PPE, etc. Images are available on the Deepwater Horizon Response Flickr site if you would like to use them on your organization's site.

3) Animal Numbers: Please only use the animal numbers available on the DWH website (http://www.deepwaterhorizonresponse.com/go/doctype/2931/55963). The worst thing we can do is to have different numbers reported from different sources. You may widely distribute these numbers on your site if you would like.

4) Animal info: Please do not discuss the state of animal cases in care, results of necropsies, specific or other specific aspects related to animal care on public forums (media, FB, blogs). This information changes over time, and can be confusing and alarming to the casual reader, especially if it relates to implying likelihood of recovery, cause of death, etc. Using general language is fine, such as the potential problems with oil, background info on cold stun, and the like.

Thank you all for following these rules. By doing so, it will allow us to continue getting accurate info to the media without having further restrictions form the Unified Command. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the below info. Also, pls share these rules with folks rotating into the response.

Mike

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 9:30 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 6/16 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There were 6 turtles verified today:
FL - 1 live oiled loggerhead - caught in a relocation trawler working ahead of dredge AL - 0 MS - 5 dead Kemp's ridleys LA - 0

There were 2 floating turtles reported in AL that were unable to be recovered.

The turtles on Ship and Cat Islands, MS reported 2 days ago were unable to be located today - coordinates given were on the water, not land so these may have been floating turtles to begin with.

The on-water capture team recovered 6 live oiled turtles today - 3 green turtles and 3 Kemp's ridleys.

Please see attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 8:57 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 6/17 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle Strandings and Live..

There were 7 turtles reported/verified today:
FL - 0
AL - 0
LA - 1 dead Kemp's ridley, not oiled
MS - 6 total - 3 live Kemp's ridley caught on hook and line at Waveland Pier; 3 dead Kemp's ridleys - none were oiled

There was 1 late report added for 6/16 in AL - a dead, oiled loggerhead that was originally reported late last night.
There were 2 turtles reported late today in Florida that will be checked tomorrow.

There were many reports of floating turtles that were not recovered - 2 in AL and several in MS.

Please see attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Melania Lopez-Castro [mlopezcast@ufl.edu]
Sent: Friday, June 18, 2010 12:17 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Re: Cold stunned turtles.

Hi Brian,
I totally understand, let us know whenever you are ready for the cold-stunned turtles.. How bad is it so far for the turtles and other marine fauna with the oil spill?

Saludos,

Melania.

On 6/18/2010 11:33 AM, Stacy,Brian A wrote:
> Melania,
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> Necropsy of the cold-stunned turtles is indefinitely delayed due to the oil spill and other priorities.
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> Brian
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> Brian A Stacy, DVM, PhD, DACVP
> NOAA/NMFS/Protected Resources
> Marine Animal Disease Laboratory
> University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine Aquatic Animal
> Health Program -----Original Message-----
> From: Lopez-Castro,Melania C [mailto:mlopezcast@ufl.edu]
> Sent: Wednesday, June 02, 2010 9:09 PM
> To: Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov
> Subject: Cold stunned turtles.
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> Hi Brian,
> Just writing to ask when will you work on the cold stunned turtles so we can join you and take some skin and scute samples.
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> Thanks,
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> Melania.
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara.Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 18, 2010 8:54 PM
To: Brian Stacy
Subject: [Fwd: [Fwd: FW: MS tow time limits]]

Attachments: FW: MS tow time limits.eml

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necropsy results helped push this; might not help but they acknowledge a problem; that's a big step

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: [Fwd: FW: MS tow time limits]
Date: Fri, 18 Jun 2010 20:31:02 -0400
From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
To: Barbara.Schroeder <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>, Sheryan.Epperly <Sheryan.Epperly@noaa.gov>, Michael Ziccardi <mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu>, Lisa Belskis <Lisa.Belskis@noaa.gov>, Karen.Mitchell <Karen.Mitchell@noaa.gov>

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Friday, June 18, 2010 10:27 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Brian Stacy; Paul Richards; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Karen.Mitchell
Subject: 6/18 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
trandings and Live..

There were 8 turtles reported / verified today:
FL - 1 dead loggerhead
AL - 1 dead Kemp's ridley
MS - 4 total dead - 3 Kemp's ridleys and 1 unknown species LA - 2 total dead - 1 green turtle and 1 Kemp's ridley

There were 2 late reports:
6/17 - FL - 1 dead Kemp's ridley
6/17 - LA - 1 dead green turtle

There was one floating turtle in AL and several floating turtles in MS that were not recovered.

There was 1 live oiled turtle recovered by an on-water capture boat (LDWF) - this turtle is being triaged and held overnight at the Fort Jackson bird facility and will be transferred to AOA tomorrow morning.

There was 1 live oiled turtle picked up by a Vessel of Opportunity (VOO) off of the Florida Panhandle. This turtle was supposed to be brought to shore, however, the people on the VOO washed the turtle with soap and released it offshore. We are trying to get more specific details regarding this incident.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Dewan, Shaila [dewan@nytimes.com]
Sent: Saturday, June 19, 2010 9:39 AM
To: Stacy,Brian A

Dear Dr. Stacy,

I just learned from Blair Witherington that you are back from the field this weekend, and I would very much like to talk to you about the necropsy process (I am the reporter that requested to see a necropsy). Right now I was planning to write a story without doing that and file it this weekend, but if you are going to start doing necropsies again this week I would love to know -- that might change our coverage plans and I think it would be a much better story.

Could we talk about the story angle and what your plans are? I am about to get on a plane but I could call you any time after that or tomorrow.

Thanks,
Shaila

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Stacy,Brian A

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Subject: 6/19 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

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There were 8 turtles reported / verified today:
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There were several floating turtles in AL and MS that were not recovered.

There were 6 live lightly oiled turtles recovered by on-water capture operations - 4 green turtles and 2 Kemp's ridleys - all were taken to Audubon for de-oiling and rehab.

Please see attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Dewan, Shaila [dewan@nytimes.com]
Sent: Sunday, June 20, 2010 5:59 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A; Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov
Cc: Monica Allen; justin.kenney@noaa.gov

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There was one dead green turtle picked up approx 50 miles south of Grand Isle, LA by an on-water search team.

There were at least 20 floating turtles reported late in the day in MS Sound off of Biloxi - attempts will be made to retrieve these turtles tomorrow.

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Sent: Monday, June 21, 2010 8:29 AM
To: Stacy,Brian A; Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov; justin.kenney@noaa.gov
Subject: NY Times' necropsy request

Hi Brian and Justin,
Let's talk about this before I get back to the NY Times reporter. As you both know, the reporter wants to attend a necropsy. When she was not able to attend one, her story morphed into a story about test results lagging.
Monica

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Thank you. My colleagues wanted this info before we got back to the NY Times today. Knowing that the carcasses will arrive at the earliest next week is helpful. If you can get a more precise timeline -- the day of arrival -- that would help as well. I have also received a call from the Univ of Florida public affairs officer who would like to do some stories with Dr. Stacy now that he is back.
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Strandings and Live..

There were 16 turtle strandings verified today:
FL - 0
AL - 2 Kemp's ridleys, no visible oil
MS - 13 Kemp's ridleys, no visible oil - 11 of these were recovered floating LA - 1 loggerhead, no visible oil

There was 1 late report received:
6/20 - FL - live Kemp's ridley, found floating, no visible oil - taken to rehab

There were 10 turtles recovered by an on-water directed capture group approx 35 mi offshore Grand Isle - 7 green turtle and 3 Kemp's ridleys - visible oil was noted on one green turtle and one Kemp's ridley.

There were many turtles seen floating dead in Mississippi Sound which could not be recovered due to lightning in the area and boats having to come off of the water for safety. Attempts will be made to retrieve these turtles tomorrow.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Monica Allen [Monica.Allen@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2010 9:28 AM
To: Brian Stacy
Subject: Shaila Dewan is all set for an interview from 3:30 to 4 p.m. today on necropsies

Brian,
We're all set. I'll call you at 3:15 p.m. and we'll call her at 3:30 sharp.
Thanks again.
Monica

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I have talked to Quinten in the News and Public Affairs office and we would like to send the story out next week once I get some video of the turtles.

When do you want to start working on a video for your building dedication?

CB

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Cc: Alexis Gutierrez; Kaiti Ferguson
Subject: Fwd: Veterinary coverage, contracts and BP

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Fwd: Veterinary coverage, cont...

Hi Barbara and Brian,

I wanted to check in on this. I'm confused on if we are supposed to be contracting with Craig Pelton through the Wildlife Branch. When Audubon first mentioned this last week (or maybe earlier than that), I thought they were hiring Craig for long term vet coverage at their facility...not that they wanted us to contract him.

Brian, I know you spoke to Bob, do you know what his expection is on this.

If we are contracting Craig Pelton through Wildlife, we will need a state of work (with specific duties), timeframe and daily rate.

Thanks for your help!
Sara

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From: Monica Allen [Monica.Allen@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2010 3:28 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Re: Test

NEW YORK TIMES – DISPERSANTS

/Interviewer - Shaila Dewan/

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*Q: One major question in everyone's mind is, are the dispersants contributing to these deaths or even causing them? What are you doing to figure that out? There is so much that is unknown about the dispersants and even how to test for them. *

A: (TERRY) The question is on the oil and the dispersants? Is that what you asked?

*Q: I am just how are you going about determining whether the dispersants are a factor or the cause of these deaths? *

A: (TERRY) So to do that we're going to be looking at the actual [need experts translation technical term for turtle necropsy]. We'll look at the cause of death and the types of injuries and or damage that are observed within the animals. And again the freshest animals are going to be the most valuable for that. And then we're going to be looking at evidence of external oil dispersants. And the mixture from the oil product. And then evidence in tissue residues and various tissues which we know take up oil or the dispersant product. And then we'll be looking at a combination of the oil and dispersant…the dispersant and the oil products themselves.

For what these animals are being exposed to, it could be at or near the source…all the way up to the weathered oil that ends up on the beach.
And, so those different types of oil, depending on how dispersed it is and how weathered the oil is, will give us different chemical components that we'll be analyzing for. It will be a weigh of evidence looking at the legions and the injuries and the necropsies themselves. Umm, like Barbara talked about…it's how they were eating, how they were behaving, what body condition they had. Combining that with the tissue residue levels, the metabolite levels, the metabolites of both the dispersants and the oil.

*Q: Will you be testing for enzymes that might have been activated with toxins? I called a laboratory in Texas that you'll be using and they said we don't test for enzymes, you'll have to ask NOAA…there's someone else that's going to test for enzymes. *

A: (TERRY) So that moves over into looking for things that help you quantify exposure or effect of exposure to oil or dispersant product.
And we are certainly looking into those. The issue we have with dead animals are that those enzymes and a lot of those biomarkers degrade rapidly.

Again, decomposed animals are not going to be useful for that type of work. And for looking at those enzymes that's not part of our response?
Typically its part of our damage assessment, which is another thing that is going on at the same time. And our response, as I mentioned our search and rescue because our biggest goal is to get to those animals and impacts are focused on those animals.

*Q: I missed some kind of leap there. You said you're focused on colleting live animals, then you jumped to mortality and I missed what was in between. *

A: (TERRY) As part of our response, as Barbara described as search and rescue, we've been focusing on getting the live animals that are go injured on the beach or are mired in oil. And our response to those carcasses that are reported as fast as possible to get the best information at the freshest date. So, that's where a lot of the focus is on. So that we have better information, so that we're rescuing live animals that we can. And we have

better information on the fresher dead animals.

Q: So are the animals now that are stored awaiting necropsies – are some of those fresher? Having better success at recovering fresher animals?

A: (BARBARA) For turtles it's a mix. Because most of them are going to be in that severely to low-moderate decomposition. It's very hot out there and these and these carcasses decompose very quickly. So yes we do have some fresher carcasses mixed in, but it's always going to be a relevantly small number. So we will work through them and we will follow the protocols for each animal based on the state of decomposition that it is in.

Q: I've heard you say a number of times that the number of deaths is higher than the background numbers. How much higher is it?

A: (BARBARA) Umm, it's very significantly higher.

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> Test email
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To: Scott Smullen; Justin Kenney; Gilson, Shannon; Griffis, Kevin; jennifer.austin@noaa.gov; Shah, Parita; Connie Barclay; Christine Patrick; Teri.Frady; Brian.Gorman; Barbara Schroeder; Teri Rowles; Steve Murawski; Samuel.Rauch@noaa.gov; John Oliver; Gloria Thompson; Brenda.Jans@noaa.gov; Monica Allen; Heather.Sagar@noaa.gov; Connie Barclay; Michael.S.Gallagher@noaa.gov; Jim Balsiger; Gary Reisner; Jim Mccallum; Mark Holliday; Jessica Kondel; Anne Barrett; Beth Lumsden; Brycen Swart; Jessica Dutton; Elizabeth Crapo; Kari MacLauchlin; Eric Schwaab; Rebecca Chiampi; Lesli Bales-Sherrod; Helen Golde; Teri.Frady; Maggie Mooney-Seus; Shelley Dawicki; Connie Barclay; Monica Allen; kim amendola; Kim.Couranz; Lesli Bales-Sherrod; Janet.Sears; Brian.Gorman; Jim.Milbury; Wende.Goo; Elizabeth Crapo; Christine Patrick; Linda Joy; Laurel Bryant; Andrew Winer; Mark Kinsey; Stacy,Brian A; Brian Stacy
Subject: FYI -Dr. Brian Stacy's interview on necropsies of sea turtles with NY Times -- a summary of two upcoming stories

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Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2010 5:30 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Changes to overview

Attachments: OilDrillResponse6.16.2010.docx

OilDrillResponse6.16.2010.docx...

Brian, how'd the interview go?

I have not gotten around to updating this document I circulated (only to our group) – yesterday at the meeting. My plan was to accomplish that today but I have still not gotten to it. Hopefully tomorrow. Meanwhile I know you said there were a couple of things you could clarify for me, perhaps one thing was Jennifer's role? I hate to bother you for a sit-down, but I will need to know a few things if I'm going to write a story:

l) how many turtles are coming next week

2) where are they from

3) how will you process them and what is your plan for the necropsies

4) where are samples sent and when do results come back, and who gets them (are they going to be made public)

5) have you actually done all of the sea turtle necropsies so far? Monica said something like 75 and I got the impression you'd done them all because of your specific expertise.

6) where were the other necropsies performed

7) anything else you would like to add/message you would like for me to get across.

Of course anything I would write, even if it's for our internal pubs, I'd show to Monica.

I'm also interested in other things that you'd probably just have tell me – the long days, the exhaustion, the human elements and what has kept everyone going. Those things would help me write a better story but I know your time is limited.

I have my dog in the clinic tomorrow morning and meetings from 11:30-12:45 and 1-3 but am otherwise around. Possibly we could meet after 3 p.m. if that would be better for you. If not possible, just an update to what I have written would help me have my facts straight when I create my talking points etc.

Thanks,

Sarah

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From: Wendy Teas [Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2010 5:53 PM
To: Andy David
Cc: Barbara Schroeder; Brian Stacy
Subject: Re: Freezers

Hi Andy,

Will you be the person with the freezer truck picking up the turtle carcasses? If not, can you let me know who will be? I need to work with whoever the person will be to get bags marked with different colored cable ties as they are picked up at each location (see email string below for details). This is necessary to keep track of where the turtles came from so they can be associated with the correct stranding report at necropsy. There would need to be 300 cable ties of one color (for IMMS in MS) and 100 cable ties of five colors for the other facilities / freezers (6 different colors total). Please let me know if it will be possible for you to get the cable ties to mark the bags and if you have any questions.

Thanks,
Wendy

Barbara Schroeder wrote:
> Can you work with Andy Davis at Panama City to arrange this? They
> will have to go buy colored ties. I don't know if he is the person
> accompanying the truck or someone else. I don't have time to do this.
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>> Why? It would be most efficient to do it during the transfer. The
>> NOAA corps person could just have the ties and have a person putting
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Subject: 6/22 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There were 7 turtles reported / verified today:
FL - 4 - 2 loggerheads and 2 Kemp's ridleys, none had external oil AL - 0 MS - 3 - all Kemp's ridleys, none had external oil LA - 0 Bad weather in LA / MS / AL resulted in few reports received from those areas.

See attached Excel file for details.

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Sent: Wednesday, June 23, 2010 9:21 AM
To: Helen Golde; Barbara Schroeder; Stacy,Brian A
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Subject: Updated version of Loggerhead Nesting Beach Study

Attachments: Loggerhead Nesting beach study for NRDA_June 23.doc

Loggerhead Nesting beach study...

The Loggerhead Nesting Beach Study has been updated. I've attached the June 23rd version for review by the Turtle Subgroup. Please review and provide comments to Meg Lamont, Simeon Hahn, Sheila O'Brien and me by Monday June 28th.

Thanks

Eric

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To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 6/23 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle Strandings and Live..

There were 4 turtle strandings reported / verified today:

FL - 0
AL - 1 - Kemp's ridley, not oiled
MS - 3 - all Kemp's ridleys, not oiled
LA - 0

See attached Excel file for details.

The on-water capture team caught 2 green turtles today - these were examined for oil externally and in the mouth and no oil was seen - both animals appeared healthy and were released. Not included in Excel file since they were not brought in to rehab.

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Attachments: OilSpillResponse6.23.2010.docx

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Good morning Brian,
I think the best plan would be for you to do local interviews such as this, providing reporters with your expertise and what you've been saying about necropsies. If you'd like me to facilitate, I will be glad to. You can also ask Connie Barclay or Christine Patrick, my colleagues here to facilitate. We're all at 301 713 2370.
But if you feel comfortable doing an interview with this or another local reporter that is fine.

If you get calls from major media such as the NYTimes, Miami Herald, major TV, NPR etc., please refer those journalists to us and we'll facilitate. Commerce wants to know about these before they happen. They have urged us to be cautious in this regard and we need their okay on these. We'll find out the questions and let you know and set up a convenient time for you to talk if you agree to the interview. This gives you a little breather and helps you prepare. We're on the line to be sure the reporter does not stray into areas that you are not able to answer.

Because we report all media interviews on a tracking report that goes to NOAA and Commerce leadership, I'd ask that you shoot me an email each day with a quick summary of your interviews that includes, name of journalist, name of publication, phone number and email if possible, general questions and your answers.

I also must remind you that when you speak you are speaking for the federal government so please stick with these standing general guidelines

- Use cleared facts / don't break news; NOAA and federal government must be informed first. /(Example: necropsy results.)/

- Don't speculate

- Don't offer opinions on political questions

- Defer to others if question is outside of your subject area expertise

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Thank you again for all your work in the oil response, Monica

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Stacy,Brian A wrote:

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More information for Thursday's Turtle Subgroup call

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>>> Dana May <dana.d.may.erdc@gmail.com> 6/23/2010 1:45 PM >>>
Hello all,

Attached are the draft SOP for sand collection near sea turtle nests and the draft SOP for collection of surface wipe samples from sea turtle shells. Please forward as appropriate so that others may review them before tomorrow's discussion on SOPs.

Thank you,

Dana May
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Subject: FYI AP story on turtle necropsies showing fishing link

Biologist: Many turtles probably died in nets

By JANET McCONNAUGHEY

Associated Press Writer

NEW ORLEANS -- More than half the endangered sea turtles dissected after being found dead in Mississippi - 21 of 40 - had sediment in their lungs, indicating they probably drowned in trawl nets near the sea floor, a federal biologist said Thursday.

The bodies are still being tested for toxins, especially those from algae blooms, but that's unlikely as a cause of death, said Brian Stacey of the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration.

The numbers make other causes of drowning unlikely, Stacey said.

"We do get sporadic entrapment in wrecks, or entanglements in nets," but not nearly that many, he said.

Authorities have said they were investigating whether turtles might have drowned in shrimp nets.

All five species of sea turtles in the Gulf of Mexico are threatened or endangered; federal law requires escape hatches called turtle excluder devices on shrimp nets, which are towed along the bottom where shrimp congregate.

Most of the 411 dead and 128 live turtles found since April 30, when collections began, have been Kemp's Ridley sea turtles, the smallest and most endangered.

According to figures compiled by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 210 dead turtles were found in Mississippi, 88 in Louisiana, 66 in Alabama,
43 in Florida and four in the Gulf of Mexico. Only five turtles found dead on the shore had oil on them.

Collections started a day after Louisiana opened an emergency season to let shrimpers harvest a crop ahead of the oil spill.

There has been an influx of sea turtles into Mississippi Sound, and experts believe they are seeking clear water, said Lauren Thompson, spokeswoman for the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources.

On Monday, Mississippi authorities ordered shrimpers trawling in the Mississippi Sound to pull up their nets every 30 minutes rather than every 55 minutes, to reduce the chance of drowning turtles.

Turtle strandings are common along the Gulf of Mexico, but this year's numbers are higher than usual, Stacey said.

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He spoke by phone from Gainesville, Fla., where he was about to resume necropsies - animal autopsies - on sea turtles.

He said the 67 necropsied so far included 26 too decomposed for detailed study.

More than 120 live sea turtles, 84 of them found covered in oil, are in rehabilitation centers. They include 76 found swimming in oil out in the Gulf of Mexico, two caught in oil skimming operations, and two each found in Alabama, Florida and Louisiana waters.

Another 42 rescued turtles did not have any visible oil on them, and two have not been classified. At least four were released.

The BP-operated rig Deepwater Horizon exploded April 20 and sank two days later, generating the massive oil spill.

Associated Press writer Hohlbrook Mohr in Jackson, Miss., contributed to this story.

Read more:
http://www.miamiherald.com/2010/06/24/1698352/biologist-many-turtles-probably.html#ixzz0ro4TRIj9

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I am on a very tight deadline.

Thanks,

Kim Murphy
Los Angeles Times
206 307 7941

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To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 6/24 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There were 7 turtle strandings reported / verified today:
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There were 3 oiled Kemp's ridleys recovered by the on-water capture group - these were all taken to Audubon for de-oiling and rehab.

See attached Excel file for details.

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To: VM-Class of 2012; VM-Class of 2013; VM-Class of 2010; VM-Class of 2011; 'everybody@vetmed.ufl.edu'
Subject: Whales, turtles and more In the news

Happy Friday, all-

For those of you who wondered why the First Coast News satellite truck was parked along SW 16th Ave. yesterday, it's because that news crew (NBC affiliate, from Jax) – covered the story of a whale that had beached itself near Amelia Island two nights ago, subsequently died and was brought here yesterday for necropsy. We invited TV 20 and the UF Health Science Center here as well, and the Sun also was able to cover it, thanks to help from our team and specifically Dr. Mike Walsh, who provided the interviews. Here's the video link.

http://www.firstcoastnews.com/news/local/news-article.aspx?storyid=157791&catid=3

In addition, the AP ran a story about Brian Stacy's role relating to sea turtles from the Gulf yesterday (this was pitched by NOAA and here's one of several links to that story, FYI:

http://www.miamiherald.com/2010/06/24/1698352/biologist-many-turtles-probably.html

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Sent: Thursday, June 24, 2010 9:49 AM
To: Carey,Sarah K
Subject: RE: Changes to overview

I have made some suggested edits.

Brian

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From: Carey,Sarah K
Sent: Thursday, June 24, 2010 8:59 AM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: RE: Changes to overview

Here's the document I scribbled on yesterday, with a few changes suggested by Ruth. Sorry I didn't just send it as a Word file, but I tried that first go-round and no one responded to my email so I figured I'd try a different approach!

From: Stacy,Brian A
Sent: Thursday, June 24, 2010 7:47 AM
To: Carey,Sarah K
Subject: RE: Changes to overview

Sorry, I have an AP press interview at 10 and can do it no later than 11 today. Friday will be very busy for me.

Brian

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From: Carey,Sarah K
Sent: Wednesday, June 23, 2010 5:56 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Re: Changes to overview

Definitely. You just gave me more than I expected at this point so meeting will be icing in cake for me. Can we say 9:30 or 10? With what you gave me I hope to not keep you too long. 10 might be a bit better for me but either works. My office so I can type?

From: Stacy,Brian A
To: Carey,Sarah K

Sent: Wed Jun 23 17:43:39 2010
Subject: RE: Changes to overview

It went fine.

Jennifer is my technician. In addition to helping with animal necropsies and handling of live animals, she is invaluable in maintaining the necessary evidence documentation

Approximately 300 turtles are coming on Friday

They are from FL, AL, MS, LA

They will be logged into the freezer and chain of custody transferred to me

We will start necropsies on Monday and continue as other commitments permit

Samples are sent to labs designated by the Joint Unified Command under both the response teams and natural resources damage assessment (NRDA) group

The first results likely will not be available for several months

67 necropsies were performed in Gulfport, MS during May - I did most of those

We should just sit down and talk about this - could you do it 9:00 or 11:00 am tomorrow?

Brian

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From: Carey,Sarah K
Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2010 5:30 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Changes to overview

Brian, how'd the interview go?

I have not gotten around to updating this document I circulated (only to our group) – yesterday at the meeting. My plan was to accomplish that today but I have still not gotten to it. Hopefully tomorrow. Meanwhile I know you said there were a couple of things you could clarify for me, perhaps one thing was Jennifer's role? I hate to bother you for a sit-down, but I will need to know a few things if I'm going to write a story:

I) how many turtles are coming next week

2) where are they from

3) how will you process them and what is your plan for the necropsies

4) where are samples sent and when do results come back, and who gets them (are they going to be made public)

5) have you actually done all of the sea turtle necropsies so far? Monica said something like 75 and I got the impression you'd done them all because of your specific expertise.

6) where were the other necropsies performed

7) anything else you would like to add/message you would like for me to get across.

Of course anything I would write, even if it's for our internal pubs, I'd show to Monica.

I'm also interested in other things that you'd probably just have tell me – the long days, the exhaustion, the human elements and what has kept everyone going. Those things would help me write a better story but I know your time is limited.

I have my dog in the clinic tomorrow morning and meetings from 11:30-12:45 and 1-3 but am otherwise around. Possibly we could meet after 3 p.m. if that would be better for you. If not possible,

just an update to what I have written would help me have my facts straight when I create my talking points etc.

Thanks,

Sarah

Stacy,Brian A

From: Monica Allen [monica.allen@noaa.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2010 10:04 AM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Cc: 'barbara.schroeder@noaa.gov'
Subject: Re: NYT and necropsy

Brian,
We'll plan on Wed. July 7 iin the afternoon as you just suggested. I just forwarded your email to my public affairs colleagues- Connie Barclay and Christine Patrick.
Thank you,
Monica

----- Original Message -----
From: Stacy,Brian A <bstacy@ufl.edu>
To: 'Monica Allen' <Monica.Allen@noaa.gov>
Cc: 'Barbara.Schroeder' <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>
Sent: Fri Jun 25 08:50:43 2010
Subject: RE: NYT and necropsy

Absolutely not. As I mentioned, we will host media after we get started with a routine. Please understand that this is a substantial amount of work, not only for the necropsies, but for documentation. She can come on Weds the 7th at the earliest.

Brian

Brian A Stacy, DVM, PhD, DACVP
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Original Message-----
From: Monica Allen [mailto:Monica.Allen@noaa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, June 24, 2010 5:06 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: NYT and necropsy

Hi Brian,
I told Shaila Dewan that you'd be starting up on July 5 and she'd like to come that day. I'll be there as well or my colleague Kim Amendola.
I'm still trying to get a final word on the photography issue -- even if its just before the necropsy. Can you keep in touch with me as this goes along so that if you change that plan, I can prepare Shaila.
Thanks again for doing this.
Monica

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Sheryan Epperly [Sheryan.Epperly@noaa.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2010 3:40 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Cc: Wendy Teas; Larisa Avens
Subject: Re: humeri

Thanks, Brian. We will need to work with you to ensure that those samples are not lost and perhaps help out so that they can be collected during the necropsy in the future. Those bones might be very valuable in determining the effect of the oil spill on the growth rate (and hence, age of maturity) of Kemp's ridleys and other species. They represent the baseline in the northern Gulf of Mexico.

On 6/25/10 3:09 PM, Stacy,Brian A wrote:
> They are frozen with the carcass, which is being kept for evidence. I am not collecting humeri during necropsies b/c it mandates an additional item for chain of custody, collection as evidence, freezer logging, etc. - I hope you understand the difficulty in the the evidenciary process and workload. I am sure there can be a group collection organized before disposal.
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> Brian
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> Brian A Stacy, DVM, PhD, DACVP
> NOAA/NMFS/Protected Resources
> Marine Animal Disease Laboratory
> University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine Aquatic Animal
> Health Program -----Original Message-----
> From: Sheryan Epperly [mailto:Sheryan.Epperly@noaa.gov]
> Sent: Friday, June 25, 2010 12:43 PM
> To: Brian Stacy
> Subject: humeri
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> Hi, Brian. I wanted to check to ensure that humeri are being saved for the Beaufort ageing lab for processing. They are very interested in monitoring annual growth rates and perhaps relating them to environmental conditions. I realize that BP will have to release the samples eventually, but first they must be collected and wanted to check on that.
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> Thanks
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> Sherry
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Paul.Richards@noaa.gov
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2010 10:28 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Bonnie Ponwith; Sheryan Epperly; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Wendy Teas; Brian Stacy; Karen Mitchell
Subject: 6/25 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea_Turtle_Strandings_and_Live_Captures_-_Deepwater_Horizon.xls

Sea_Turtle_Strandings_and_Live...

There were 5 turtle strandings reported / verified today:

FL - 0
AL - 1 - Kemp's ridley, not oiled
MS - 3 - all Kemp's ridleys, not oiled
LA - 1 - Green, no oiled

The on-water capture team caught 1 Kemp's ridley today -externally oiled and taken to rehab at Audubon.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Carey,Sarah K
Sent: Saturday, June 26, 2010 4:10 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Possibilities

Thanks for the time you have already devoted to interviews etc, which I know aren't your favorite thing but do offer a window into the world of diagnostics, not to mention that anything related to the oil spill is obviously of huge interest right now. I did stick a couple of news links (AP and then the NY Times story, which I just saw) - on the college's Facebook page, www.facebook.com/ufvetmed

I'm going to talk to Monica Monday, but what I understand thus far is that you prefer to do the necropsy with the Times reporter and no one else present, whenever that is scheduled (sounds like sometime after July 7, last I heard.) I just want to put in front of you an idea, which you can totally veto, revise - or ignore. It's all ultimately up to you and what your schedule and head space will allow.

How would you feel about allowing two broadcast people, Chris Bilowich from the UF Health Science Center (he covered the cold stun event also) and John Couwels from CNN, some access during one of your necropsies? I know Chris is beside himself for an interview (but he understands the situation.) John on the other hand is a good reporter who visited the CVM and filmed Lisa Farina and parts of histo analysis portion relating to the deaths of the polo ponies last year. Couwels is good; he's with CNN after all (based in Orlando), he's respectful and can blend in. I have NOT approached him, but I think he'd be all over it if I did. Was just trying to think of a way to kill two birds with one stone since some of the large print outlets have been given access since you've been back, but no TV folks to my knowledge.

Next week I know you'll be slammed. July 3-14 I am out. I'm wondering if you'll still be doing exams after that? Could you foresee any possibilities coming to fruition at that time?
I had been under the impression that Shaila from the Times was holding her story until the necropsy interview, but she may have put something out sooner after seeing that AP got there first. Therefore one thing I want to ask Monica is whether she thinks we still should stall other interview requests until Shaila gets her visit.

Thoughts? Thanks for putting up with me.
Sarah

Stacy,Brian A

From: Kaiti Ferguson [ksferguson@ucdavis.edu]
Sent: Saturday, June 26, 2010 4:37 PM
To: Dave.Rotstein@noaa.gov
Cc: Michael Ziccardi; Teri Rowles; Barbara Schroeder; Brian Stacy
Subject: Re: iChem 250 ml jars w/Teflon lids

Hi Dave,

Thanks for the information. I'll have my replace contact Gulf World and ask them to ship 3 boxes to IMMS. We'll also ask Gulf World to place an additional 3 boxes on reserve for you in case you would like additional boxes shipped.

Cheers,
Kaiti

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On Jun 26, 2010, at 7:44 AM, Dave.Rotstein@noaa.gov wrote:

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> I would say to keep Audubon as is, but provide at least 3 to IMMS from
> Gulf World.
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> d.
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Kaiti Ferguson <ksferguson@ucdavis.edu>
> Date: Saturday, June 26, 2010 10:26 am
> Subject: Re: iChem 250 ml jars w/Teflon lids
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>> Hi Dave,
>>
>> Thanks so much! My last day is today, so if I'm not able to get to it
>> today, I'll be sure to pass this task on to the next Marine
>> Mammal/Sea Turtle logistics person.
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>> Cheers,
>> Kaiti
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>> www.owcn.org
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>> On Jun 26, 2010, at 2:49 AM, Dave.Rotstein@noaa.gov wrote:
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>>> Will let you know shortly
>>> ----- Sent from my Virgin Mobile.
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>>> From: Michael Ziccardi <mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu>
>>> Date: June 25, 2010 10:00:30 PM PDT
>>> To: Kaiti Ferguson <ksferguson@ucdavis.edu>
>>> Cc: "Dave.Rotstein@noaa.gov" <Dave.Rotstein@noaa.gov>, Teri
>> Rowles <Teri.Rowles@noaa.gov>, Barbara Schroeder
>> <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>, Brian Stacy <Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov>
>>> Subject: Re: iChem 250 ml jars w/Teflon lids
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>>> Kaiti
>>> I would then distribute the existing jars based on where Dave
>> wants them. Thx.
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>>> Mike Ziccardi
>>> Sent from my iPhone
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>>> On Jun 25, 2010, at 6:51 AM, "Stacy,Brian A" <bstacy@ufl.edu> wrote:
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>>>> There are no plans for facilities to perform necropsies on sea
>> turtles. Fresh dead turtles are being shipped to the University of
>> Florida, all others are being frozen for the same disposition. The
>> I-chem sets at facilities would more than likely be used for mammals,
>> so I will leave it to Dave to anticipate those needs.
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>>>> I made a desperate attempt to buy 300 series I-chem bottle
>> models of different sizes - it seems that all sizes and conformations
>> are being bought out. I am pursuing some other sources. I plan to
>> stop taking duplicate samples in I-Chem bottles at this time and
>> collect a second set in foil instead.
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>>>> As for facilities performing necropsies, it will be difficult to
>> get people to change instruments, use rinsed instruments, and adhere
>> to protocols to prevent contamination - this is one reason carcasses
>> are coming to UF. I have performed necropsies with collection of
>> samples at IMMS and Audubon in the presence of staff - all were
>> concerned about the time required and ability to follow protocol.>>
>>>> Brian
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>>>> Brian A Stacy, DVM, PhD, DACVP
>>>> NOAA/NMFS/Protected Resources
>>>> Marine Animal Disease Laboratory
>>>> University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine Aquatic
>>>> Animal Health Program -----Original Message-----
>>>> From: Dave.Rotstein@noaa.gov [mailto:Dave.Rotstein@noaa.gov]
>>>> Sent: Thursday, June 24, 2010 12:11 PM
>>>> To: Kaiti Ferguson
>>>> Cc: Stacy,Brian A; Mike Ziccardi; Teri Rowles; Barbara Schroeder
>>>> Subject: Re: iChem 250 ml jars w/Teflon lids
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>>>> Kaiti:
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>>>> thank you for the update.
>>>>
>>>> Couple of questions come to mind:
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>>>> a-turtle necropsies-primary site from the list of institutions?
>> That may help me to make suggestions on the marine mammal end because
>> thus far the turtle numbers are much higher than dolphins.
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>>>> b-proximity/sharing of facilities between Gulfarium and

>> Gulfworld-do they both use the Panama City Lab?
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>>>> Thank you for looking into the supply situation.
>>>>
>>>> dave
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>>>> ----- Original Message -----
>>>> From: Kaiti Ferguson <ksferguson@ucdavis.edu>
>>>> Date: Thursday, June 24, 2010 10:48 am
>>>> Subject: iChem 250 ml jars w/Teflon lids
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>>>>> Hi Brian and Dave,
>>>>>
>>>>> I've learned from our vendor that we've exhausted the
>> manufacturer's>>> supple of the 250 ml jars with the teflon lids. A
>> request has been
>>>>> placed with the manufacturer to increase production on this item,
>>>>> however, there will be a lag in time to fulfill orders already
>> placed,>>> as well as future orders.
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>>>>> To handle this situation, Mike Ziccardi requested that I
>> contact Gulf
>>>>> World, Gulfarium, IMMS, and Audubon regarding their supply
>> levels of
>>>>> the iChem 250 ml jars with the teflon lids. Below are the verified
>>>>> stock levels at each location. Please advise if you would like to
>>>>> redistribute these supply levels, as well as to where you would
>> like>>> them moved.
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>>>>> Gulf World:
>>>>> 10 boxes
>>>>> Gulfarium:
>>>>> 2 boxes
>>>>> IMMS:
>>>>> 2 boxes
>>>>> Audubon:
>>>>> 5 boxes
>>>>>
>>>>> Thanks so much for your time!
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>>>>> Cheers,
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Monica Allen [Monica.Allen@noaa.gov]
Sent: Saturday, June 26, 2010 5:39 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A; Barbara Schroeder; Helen Golde; Teri Rowles; David Cottingham; Eric Schwaab; Gloria Thompson; John Oliver; Rebecca Chiampi; Samuel Rauch; Deb Lambert; Steve Murawski; Beth Lumsden; Justin Kenney; Scott Smullen; Gilson, Shannon; Teri Frady; kim amendola; 'connie.barclay@noaa.gov'; Christine Patrick; Lesli Bales-Sherrod; Monica Allen; Brian Gorman; Elizabeth.Crapo@noaa.gov; Sara McNulty
Subject: FYI - Times story on turtle necropsies and Mississippi law enforcement

June 25, 2010

Turtle Deaths Called Result of Shrimping, Not Oil Spill

By SHAILA DEWAN

<http://topics.nytimes.com/top/reference/timestopics/people/d/shaila_dewan/index.html?inline=nyt-per>

A National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration scientist says he believes most of the dead turtles that have been examined since the Gulf of Mexico oil spill <http://topics.nytimes.com/top/reference/timestopics/subjects/o/oil_spills/gulf_of_mexico_2010/index.html?inline=nyt-classifier>
died not from the oil or the chemical dispersants put into the water after the disaster, but from being caught in shrimping nets, though further testing may show otherwise.

Dr. Brian Stacy, a veterinary pathologist who specializes in reptiles, said that more than half the turtles dissected so far, most of which were found shortly after the spill, had sediment in their lungs or airways, which indicated they might have been caught in nets and drowned.

"The only plausible scenario where you would have high numbers of animals forcibly submerged would be fishery interaction," he said. "That is the primary consideration for this event."

Many times the usual number of turtles have been found stranded this year, but NOAA has cautioned from the beginning that the oil spill is not necessarily to blame.

Shrimp boats are the chief commercial fishing danger for turtles because they tow their nets underwater for long distances, and turtles trapped in them are unable to come up for air. Shrimpers are supposed to equip their nets with turtle excluder devices, which help turtles escape. But environmentalists have complained that some shrimpers disregard the law or do not install the devices properly.

"I'm not surprised at all that shrimp fishing is causing a lot of turtle deaths right now, it happens every year and it's a chronic problem that the federal government has refused to address," said Todd Steiner, the executive director of the Turtle Island Restoration Network <http://www.tirn.net/> in Marin County, Calif., which works to protect sea turtles around the world. He said there was not enough enforcement of the law requiring the excluder devices, though turtle deaths spike every year when shrimp season begins.

After a rash of turtle deaths in Texas in April, before the oil spill, NOAA and Texas authorities inspected 10 boats and cited 4 of them for improperly installed devices, according to news reports.

More than half of the 417 dead sea turtles collected since the spill have been found in Mississippi. Full or partial necropsies were conducted on 67 of them in the second week in May. Many were badly decomposed, but of those that could be fully analyzed, more than half had sediment.

Dr. Stacy said tissue from the turtles would still be tested for hydrocarbons and other toxic substances. But he said poisoning would generally leave some turtles alive but sick, whereas the turtles found along the Mississippi coast were all dead. He said that while sediment might enter the airway of a turtle after death, some of the dissected turtles that were recovered in sandy areas had dark, bottom sediment in their airways.

The federal shrimping season began before the oil spill, but state authorities have also responded to the autopsy findings. The Mississippi Marine Patrol did a full inspection of shrimping boats in state waters when the state's shrimping season began on June 3, said Lisa Damiano Jones, a spokeswoman for the state's Department of Marine Resources <http://www.dmr.state.ms.us/>. No violations were found, she said.

On Monday, the department reduced the maximum tow time for skimmer trawls to 30 minutes from 55 because of an unusually high number of turtles in the area. "The reason for the smaller drag times is to increase the survival rate" for a trapped turtle, Ms. Jones said.

This article has been revised to reflect the following correction:

Correction: June 26, 2010

An earlier version of this article misstated the name of the devices that help turtles escape nets. They are excluder, not extruder, devices.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Paul.Richards@noaa.gov
Sent: Saturday, June 26, 2010 10:21 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Bonnie Ponwith; Sheryan Epperly; NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Wendy Teas; Brian Stacy; Karen Mitchell
Subject: 6/25 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea_Turtle_Strandings_and_Live_Captures_-_Deepwater_Horizon.xls

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There were 8 turtle strandings reported / verified today:
AL - 3 dead - all Kemp's ridleys, not oiled FL - (no report) LA - 2 dead - all Kemp's ridleys, not oiled MS - 3 dead - all Kemp's ridleys, not oiled

The on-water capture teams caught 3 Kemp's ridleys and 1 green today - all externally oiled and taken Audubon (unkown condition).

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Paul.Richards@noaa.gov
Sent: Sunday, June 27, 2010 10:31 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Bonnie Ponwith; Sheryan Epperly; Brian Stacy; Chris Sasso; Lisa Belskis; Karen Mitchell; Wendy Teas
Subject: 6/27 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea_Turtle_Strandings_and_Live_Captures_-_Deepwater_Horizon.xls

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            There were  6 turtle strandings reported / verified today:
AL - 1 dead unknown species not oiled,
         1 dead Kemp's ridley, oiled
FL - 1 dead Kemp's ridley, not oiled
LA - 1 live Kemp's ridley, oiled, rehab at Audubon
         1 dead Kemp's ridley, not oiled
         1 dead green, not oiled
MS - 0

The on-water capture teams caught 4 Kemp's ridleys and 3 loggerheads today - all alive,
all externally oiled and taken to rehab at Audubon.

See attached Excel file for details.
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Koperski, Meghan [Meghan.Koperski@MyFWC.com]
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2010 2:39 PM
To: Brian Stacy; Barbara.Schroeder
Subject: FW: question for you

Attachments: Nancy_Evou.vcf

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I'm assuming "Previously approved projects (including those permitted by FWC, USFWS, and/or NMFS) may not collect samples from animals collected as a part of the oil spill response for inclusion in their research" would be the appropriate response here?

-----Original Message-----
From: Nancy Evou [mailto:Nancy.Evou@noaa.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2010 2:29 PM
To: Brian Stacy; Foley, Allen; Koperski, Meghan; Nancy Evou
Subject: question for you

Hi Dr. Stacey,

I was wondering if you would mind if I came and collected the claws off the turtles after they were necropsied. Since I was not able, due to the oil spill, to remove the claws that I would normally be getting for my aging research. I am able to come to you and get them once they are considered "done". This is also a good opportunity for me to collect the ones from the other areas as well. Okaloosa through Franklin counties were in my sample area. Obviously none of them were able to remove the claws either.

And if Meghan approves I'd like to add the others to my collection to give me the sample size I need. If I can get them and process them in time I'd like to present a poster at the turtle symposium coming up.

If this will work for everyone please let me know so I can make arrangements to stay in a hotel. I will plan on coming the day before the necropies so I will be there when you start. I can also assist if you need me to. Thanks so much!!!

Nancy

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara.Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2010 2:42 PM
To: Koperski, Meghan
Cc: Brian Stacy
Subject: Re: FW: question for you

Correct. NRDA has just informed us that they will take over maintenance of the carcasses after necropsy and oil spill sample collection. At some point in time, maybe years from now?, perhaps other samples will be permitted by NRDA, with appropriate state and federal permits in place for research.

Koperski, Meghan wrote:
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> Nancy
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Koperski, Meghan [Meghan.Koperski@MyFWC.com]
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2010 2:50 PM
To: Nancy Evou; Brian Stacy; Foley, Allen
Subject: RE: question for you

Hi Nancy,

Unfortunately I don't have good news for you.

Previously approved projects (including those permitted by FWC, USFWS, and/or NMFS) may not collect samples from animals (live or dead) collected as a part of the oil spill response for inclusion in their research. NRDA will take over maintenance/possession of the carcasses after necropsy and oil spill sample collection. At some point in time (who knows how long from now that will be), NRDA may permit other samples to be taken with appropriate state and federal permits in place for research. Until that time, these carcasses are unavailable.

I wish I could say yes, because I know the samples' value to you, but unfortunately the answer is that we have to say no. I'm sorry!!!

Meghan

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Nancy

Stacy,Brian A

From: Nancy Evou [Nancy.Evou@noaa.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2010 2:58 PM
To: Koperski, Meghan
Cc: Brian Stacy; Foley, Allen
Subject: Re: question for you

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No problem. Thank you.

I wasn't sure if the carcasses were being disposed of after necropsy or not. I know I have to hold on to the dolphin carcasses even though they have been necropsied so I guess the turtles are the same. Is there a way to let NRDA know that I am interested in the claws once the turtles are released?

Koperski, Meghan wrote:
> Hi Nancy,
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> Unfortunately I don't have good news for you.
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> Previously approved projects (including those permitted by FWC, USFWS, and/or NMFS) may not collect samples from animals (live or dead) collected as a part of the oil spill response for inclusion in their research. NRDA will take over maintenance/possession of the carcasses after necropsy and oil spill sample collection. At some point in time (who knows how long from now that will be), NRDA may permit other samples to be taken with appropriate state and federal permits in place for research. Until that time, these carcasses are unavailable.
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> I wish I could say yes, because I know the samples' value to you, but unfortunately the answer is that we have to say no. I'm sorry!!!
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> Meghan
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Nancy Evou [mailto:Nancy.Evou@noaa.gov]
> Sent: Monday, June 28, 2010 2:29 PM
> To: Brian Stacy; Foley, Allen; Koperski, Meghan; Nancy Evou
> Subject: question for you
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> Hi Dr. Stacey,
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Connie Barclay [Connie.Barclay@noaa.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2010 3:22 PM
To: Barbara Schroeder; Brian Stacy
Subject: one quick question

FWS and NOAA Fisheries would like to host a telephone press conference early next week to talk about turtles. The news hook will be the nest relocation program, but we are going to get a lot of questions about all aspects of the turtle situation, including the necropsy program and the rescue boat situation. We are thinking Tuesday or Wednesday. Please tell me if you can make yourself available for a phone press conference on those days? Connie

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Carey,Sarah K
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2010 5:05 PM
To: Courtney,Charles H,III; Hoffsis,Glen F; Zimmel,Dana N; Harvey,John W; Orlando,Stephen F
Cc: Bilowich,Christopher; Pastor,John D; 'Monica Allen'; Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Media Update - Dr. Stacy and New York Times interview

Importance: High

Just a note to update everyone that New York Times reporter Shaila Dawan's visit to the UF CVM is tentatively scheduled for next Wednesday, July 7. Shaila has been working with NOAA's public affairs office to cover a sea turtle necropsy being performed by Dr. Brian Stacy. If that date should change, I will let you know. As most of you know, I will be out of town on AL from July 3-14.

Monica Allen, the NOAA public affairs officer who has worked closely with Dr. Stacy with respect to media inquiries, helped arrange the exclusive NYT interview and plans to be present for it. (She also has been most accessible and helpful to me.) Monica and I just spoke and I relayed our request to have Chris Bilowich, broadcast coordinator from the UF Health Science Center News & Communications office, present to film what he can simultaneously with the understanding that anything he does will have to be embargoed until the NYT reporter comes out with her article. Monica is fine with this plan, providing Dr. Stacy is. It's not clear if Brian will have time to speak to Chris during the Times interview, however it would provide an opportunity for some access.

As Monica rightly points out, if UF releases anything (with or without a print companion piece) - we are inviting additional media inquiries and will have to be prepared to deal with them. Dr. Stacy obviously cannot be constantly inundated with media requests, so we will need to come up with a plan for triaging these requests. As Dr. Stacy's schedule is difficult to predict, we will need to be flexible and work with him however he is most comfortable.

I will put Monica in touch with John Pastor, assistant director of the HSC News office, as he will serve as her on-campus media liaison in my absence.

Thanks,

Sarah

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2010 9:38 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 6/28 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There were 3 turtle strandings reported / verified today:
FL - 1 live green turtle, heavily oiled - taken to Gulf World for de-oiling and rehab AL - 0 MS - 2 dead - 1 loggerhead and 1 Kemp's ridley, neither was oiled LA - 0

The live capture crew was not on the water today.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara.Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 29, 2010 10:43 AM
To: Brian Stacy
Subject: [Fwd: 6/28 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon]

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Sea Turtle
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this is Wendy's master spreadsheet that I was talking about yesterday, but she doesn't have log numbers on here -- I see you already get this below -- I will work with Wendy on a better plan as you suggested

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Subject: 6/28 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon
Date: Mon, 28 Jun 2010 21:37:33 -0400
From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
To: HoumaICC MMST <HoumaICC.MMST@noaa.gov>, MobileICC MMST <MobileICC.MMST@noaa.gov>, "Sheryan.Epperly" <Sheryan.Epperly@noaa.gov>, Bonnie Ponwith <Bonnie.Ponwith@noaa.gov>, Lisa Belskis <Lisa.Belskis@noaa.gov>, Chris Sasso <Chris.Sasso@noaa.gov>, Paul Richards <Paul.Richards@noaa.gov>, Brian Stacy <Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov>, "Karen.Mitchell" <Karen.Mitchell@noaa.gov>, _NMFS SER Emergency Consult <nmfs.ser.emergency.consult@noaa.gov>

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Monica Allen [Monica.Allen@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 29, 2010 11:59 AM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Firming up date, other details of NYT visit to necropsy

Brian,
I want to check with you to see if Thursday afternoon would work for Shaila Dewan coming to a turtle necropsy instead of Wednesday. I'm being asked to help with a tel. press conference Wednesday at the New Orleans JIC.
I also want to find out what you think would be an appropriate amount of time for the reporter to be in the lab with you (and me).
In general, my thinking is it should be long enough for her to see something interesting but not so long that it taxes you. Would you be able to complete a turtle necropsy in one or two hours? Do you think that is long enough? If you can talk by phone, I'd be very happy to talk a bit with you sometime soon if possible. Let me know if there is a good time.
I have recommended and am double checking with the NOAA -- NRDA lawyer that it is okay to allow photography and video for the necropsy with the understanding that we get a copy of photos and video.

Thank you,
Monica

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy Teas [Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 29, 2010 8:05 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 6/29 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle Strandings and Live..

There were 3 turtle strandings reported / verified today:

FL - 0
AL - 0
MS - 3 dead Kemp's ridleys, not oiled
LA - 0

There were 2 floating turtles reported in AL that could not be responded to because VoO's were not going out due to high tides.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy Teas [Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, June 30, 2010 10:59 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 6/30 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There were 3 turtle strandings reported / verified today:
FL - 2 dead - 1 Unidentified species, oiled; 1 green turtle, not oiled AL - 1 live green turtle, oiled, taken to IMMS for de-oiling and rehab MS - 0 LA - 0

There were 3 floating turtles reported, 1 in AL and 2 in MS, that were unable to be recovered due to high tides preventing VoO's from going out.

There were 5 late reports added for MS (1 on 6/26, 2 on 6/27, 1 on 6/28, 1 on 6/29) - all were alive, caught on hook and line at the Waveland Pier, taken to IMMS for rehab.

Please see attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy Teas [Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 01, 2010 10:24 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Paul Richards; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 7/1 - Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

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Sea Turtle Strandings and Live..

There were no turtles reported / verified today.

There was one late report added for 6/22 - a live, oiled directed capture turtle that was taken to Audubon for rehab. It was discovered that this turtle was not in the Excel file while verifying latitude and longitude information for all of the directed captures.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Friday, July 02, 2010 10:39 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Paul Richards; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 7/2 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

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Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There were 2 strandings reported / verified today:
FL - 0
AL - 2 oiled turtles - 1 dead Kemp's ridley, 1 live unknown (on way to pick up at time of report)- will be taken to IMMS for deoiling and rehab MS - 0 LA - 0

There were two reports of dead floating turtles in Missisippi but bad weather/lightning prevented recovery attempts.

There was one live turtle recovered today by a LDWF live capture group - it was a large loggerhead found approx 31 miles offshore of Grand Isle, not oiled, emaciated, taken to Audubon for rehab.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Saturday, July 03, 2010 9:04 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Paul Richards; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 7/3 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

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Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There were no strandings reported / verified today.

The unknown species in AL yesterday was confirmed as a Kemp's ridley.

Excel file attached.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Sunday, July 04, 2010 7:55 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Paul Richards; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 7/4 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There were 3 strandings reported / verified today:
FL - 1 dead green turtle, no oil - adult female that died on beach while nesting, apparent shark bites around tail area AL - 0 MS - 0 LA - 2 Kemp's ridleys - 1 alive, no oil, found floating, weak, taken to Audubon for rehab; 1 dead, no oil

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Monday, July 05, 2010 9:19 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Paul Richards; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 7/5 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle Strandings and Live..

There were no turtle strandings reported / verified today.

Excel file attached.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 3:50 PM
To: Donna_Shaver@nps.gov; Wendy Teas
Cc: Brian Stacy
Subject: [Fwd: Question from the NY Times on earlier turtle necropsies]

Donna/Wendy,
Please see below, do you have any information on this?
Thanks, Barbara

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Question from the NY Times on earlier turtle necropsies
Date: Tue, 06 Jul 2010 15:18:12 -0400
From: Monica Allen <Monica.Allen@noaa.gov>
To: Barbara Schroeder <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>

Hi Barbara,
Shaila Dewan of the NY Times has asked about a wave of turtle strandings in Texas in late April and early May. She has heard they were necropsied by Fisheries Service in Galveston?? She wants to know if there is a preliminary or conclusive cause of death identified for this wave. Brian and I will be meeting with Shaila tomorrow so it would be great if you had an answer later today if possible.
Thank you,
Monica

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Phone: 301-713-2322

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 3:56 PM
To: Brian Stacy
Subject: [Fwd: Re: release criteria for mammals]

Attachments: FINAL Release Criteria_.pdf; Release criteria appendices.doc; Pinniped release checklist.doc; Best Practices Glossary.pdf

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I asked Janet for whatever they had for marine mammals thinking we might not have to start from scratch completely. Can you look at these and see what we might take and modify, if appropriate? I think we need to move the development of the release criteria up the priority chain, in front of necropsies even. Do you agree?

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Re: release criteria for mammals
Date: Tue, 06 Jul 2010 15:51:46 -0400
From: Janet.Whaley <Janet.Whaley@noaa.gov>
To: Barbara.Schroeder <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>
References: <4C320AE9.3050205@noaa.gov>

Hey Barb,

These are our release criteria documents. We're revising the manatee section and will finalize this fall. We are also developing a health certificate for release and will go through the PRA process. I was hoping to do that this summer.....

The release criteria are required under Title IV of the MMPA and this document was developed with and reviewed by the stranding network, NMFS and FWS. It was also part of our mitigation measures under our programmatic EIS.

I'd be happy to summarize and discuss further,

Janet

Barbara.Schroeder wrote:
> Hi Janet,
> You mentioned that you had some sort of release criteria checklist for
> marine mammals. Can you please forward that to me, I would like to
> look at that and see if it could be a starting point for turtles for
> this particular event.
> Thanks, Barbara

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 3:56 PM
To: Koperski, Meghan; Brian Stacy
Subject: [Fwd: rehab facility standards]

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Just FYI.

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: rehab facility standards
Date: Tue, 06 Jul 2010 15:53:58 -0400
From: Janet.Whaley <Janet.Whaley@noaa.gov>
To: Barbara Schroeder <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>

Here's our rehab facility standards. This also was developed and reviewed with the stranding network (i.e., "buy in") and included in our programmatic EIS.

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy Teas [Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 4:09 PM
To: Barbara Schroeder; Ben Higgins
Cc: Donna_Shaver@nps.gov; Brian Stacy
Subject: Re: [Fwd: Question from the NY Times on earlier turtle necropsies]

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Donna_Shaver@nps.gov
Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 4:17 PM
To: Wendy Teas
Cc: Barbara Schroeder; Ben Higgins; Brian Stacy
Subject: Re: [Fwd: Question from the NY Times on earlier turtle necropsies]

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Donna

Wendy Teas
<Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov>

07/06/2010 03:09 PM

To
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cc
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy Teas [Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 4:45 PM
To: Donna_Shaver@nps.gov; Lyndsey Howell
Cc: Barbara Schroeder; Ben Higgins; Brian Stacy
Subject: Re: [Fwd: Question from the NY Times on earlier turtle necropsies]

Hi Lyndsey,
Do you have any information on the necropsies of the turtles that stranded on the upper TX coast in late April / early May?
Thanks,
Wendy

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Ben Higgins [Ben.Higgins@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 5:02 PM
To: Wendy Teas
Cc: Donna_Shaver@nps.gov; Lyndsey Howell; Barbara Schroeder; Brian Stacy; Roger Zimmerman
Subject: Re: [Fwd: Question from the NY Times on earlier turtle necropsies]

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Any and all info on necropsies would be contained on the STSSN stranding forms, so Donna and Wendy should have that info.

Ben.

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>> PM Higgins <Ben.Higgins@noaa.gov>
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>> cc Donna_Shaver@nps.gov, Brian
>> Stacy
>> <Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov>
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>> Subject Re: [Fwd: Question
>> from the NY Times on
>> earlier turtle necropsies]
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>> Hi Ben,
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>> Do you have any info on the animals in question below?
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>> Thanks,
>> Wendy
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>> Barbara Schroeder wrote:
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>>> Donna/Wendy,
>>> Please see below, do you have any information on this?
>>> Thanks, Barbara
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>>> -------- Original Message --------
>>> Subject: Question from the NY Times on earlier turtle
>>> necropsies
>>> Date: Tue, 06 Jul 2010 15:18:12 -0400
>>> From: Monica Allen <Monica.Allen@noaa.gov>
>>> To: Barbara Schroeder <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>
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>>>
>>> Hi Barbara,
>>> Shaila Dewan of the NY Times has asked about a wave of turtle
>>> strandings in Texas in late April and early May. She has heard they
>>> were necropsied by Fisheries Service in Galveston?? She wants to
>>> know if there is a preliminary or conclusive cause of death
>>> identified for this wave.
>>> Brian
>>> and I will be meeting with Shaila tomorrow so it would be great if
>>> you had an answer later today if possible.
>>> Thank you,
>>> Monica
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>>> Barbara Schroeder
>>> National Sea Turtle Coordinator
>>> National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration - NMFS
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>>> email: barbara.schroeder@noaa.gov
>>> Phone: 301-713-2322
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>>> To cherish what remains of the earth, and to foster its renewal, is
>>> our
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>> only legitimate hope. Wendell Berry
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 5:21 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Re: [Fwd: Re: release criteria for mammals]

I think it would be helpful to put a strawman together and send that out prior.

Barbara Schroeder
National Sea Turtle Coordinator
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration - NMFS

email: barbara.schroeder@noaa.gov
Phone: 301-713-2322

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Stacy,Brian A wrote:

> Can I not assemble a group of consulting veterinarians on a conference call for a simple list of criteria? I do not think we need anything as extensive as the marine mammal docs.

> **From:** Barbara Schroeder [mailto:Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
> **Sent:** Tuesday, July 06, 2010 3:56 PM
> **To:** Brian Stacy
> **Subject:** [Fwd: Re: release criteria for mammals]

> I asked Janet for whatever they had for marine mammals thinking we might not have to start from scratch completely. Can you look at these and see what we might take and modify, if appropriate? I think we need to move the development of the release criteria up the priority chain, in front of necropsies even. Do you agree?

> -------- Original Message --------
> **Subject:** Re: release criteria for mammals
> **Date:** Tue, 06 Jul 2010 15:51:46 -0400
> **From:** Janet.Whaley <Janet.Whaley@noaa.gov>
> **To:** Barbara.Schroeder <Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov>
> **References:** <4C320AE9.3050205@noaa.gov>

> Hey Barb,
>
> These are our release criteria documents. We're revising the manatee section and will finalize this fall. We are also developing a health certificate for release and will go through the PRA process. I was

hoping to do that this summer.....

The release criteria are required under Title IV of the MMPA and this document was developed with and reviewed by the stranding network, NMFS and FWS. It was also part of our mitigation measures under our programmatic EIS.

I'd be happy to summarize and discuss further,

Janet

Barbara.Schroeder wrote:
> Hi Janet,
> You mentioned that you had some sort of release criteria checklist for
> marine mammals. Can you please forward that to me, I would like to
> look at that and see if it could be a starting point for turtles for
> this particular event.
> Thanks, Barbara

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 9:09 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Paul Richards; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 7/6 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle Strandings and Live..

There were 2 strandings reported / verified today:
FL - 0
AL - 0
MS - 2 dead Kemp's ridleys, no visible oil LA - 0

There was 1 late report added for AL on 7/5 - a dead green turtle, no visible oil

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 2010 9:35 AM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Re: more press

I will let you know what the outcome of my discussions with Helen and David are -- whether they will support us on this. In the meantime, Monica is likely to bring this up so just tell her that you need to discuss with your supervisors. That is the only way I can figure out to hold this off at the moment.

Barbara Schroeder
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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration - NMFS

email: barbara.schroeder@noaa.gov
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Stacy,Brian A wrote:
> I am not aware of the call - and yes it obviously is interfering. On days when I can necropsy, it pretty much is all day with no interruptions, except for emergencies. I am already behind updating you and Wendy on necropsy status and other things.
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> Brian
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> Brian A Stacy, DVM, PhD, DACVP
> NOAA/NMFS/Protected Resources
> Marine Animal Disease Laboratory
> University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine Aquatic Animal
> Health Program -----Original Message-----
> From: Barbara.Schroeder [mailto:Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
> Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 2010 8:34 AM
> To: Brian Stacy
> Subject: more press
>
> Now I see emails from Connie and Monica about your attendance at yet another press call on Friday. I have told them that I am meeting with Helen and David today and to not schedule you or request your attendance at that until Helen and David and I talk. The press stuff is now interfering with our work shoreside and on the water. Every day there are 10 more requests. I need to talk to Helen and David on getting their help to manage this properly. Just FYI.
>

Stacy,Brian A

From: Kate Sardi Sampson [Kate.Sampson@noaa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 2010 3:11 PM
To: Kate Sardi Sampson
Cc: Wendy Teas; Teri Rowles; Stacy,Brian A; Erin Fougeres; Sara McNulty; Alexis Gutierrez; Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov
Subject: Re: oil spill personnel update

Attachments: Oil Spill Response Personnel updated 7-7-10.xls; Kate_Sampson.vcf

Oil Spill Response Personnel u... Kate_Sampson.vcf (413 B)

Hi there- I've attached a NER personnel list with a couple additions (highlighted). I think I might have a few more in the upcoming weeks as turtles are released from rehab facilities up here and staff are freed up to respond. Thanks a lot, Kate
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 2010 9:16 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult
Subject: 7/7 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There was one turtle reported / verified today:
FL - 0
AL - 0
MS - 1 dead Kemp's ridley, no visible oil LA - 0

There was one late report added in MS for 7/6 - a dead Kemp's ridley, no visible oil

There was one turtle reported floating off of MS that was responded to but could not be located and there was another turtle reported in the Ocean Springs, MS area that could not be located, likely washed out with tide.

The live capture crew were not allowed to go out of Destin today due to BP vessel restrictions.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Thursday, July 08, 2010 9:07 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Kristy Long
Subject: 7/8 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There were 4 strandings reported / verified today:
FL - 1 live loggerhead, no visible oil
AL - 0
MS - 3 dead Kemp's ridleys, no visible oil LA - 0

There were 3 additional reports for which turtles could not be located - 2 in AL and 1 in MS.

The live capture group were able to go out today approx 40 miles S/SW of Destin, FL - they recovered 10 turtles, 8 Kemp's ridleys and 2 green turtles, all oiled, which were taken to Gulf World for de-oiling and rehab.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Richardson, Adam [Adam.Richardson@MyFWC.com]
Sent: Friday, July 09, 2010 12:51 PM
Subject: Fish Kill Hotline Report 7/9/2010

7/7/2010
Keystone Heights - Clay County - WWW Form - We received a report of a fish kill in Lake Geneva.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 070710_15584)
Forwarded to FWC Freshwater Fisheries

Jacksonville - Duval County - Hotline Call - We received a report of a fish kill near Christopher Creek in the SJR.
Suspected Cause - Algal Bloom (Call ID: 070710_15587) - - - (Group Report ID # 14951)

Ocala - Marion County - Hotline Call - We received a report of a fish kill in a private pond. It was investigated by a lake management company who said that it was low DO. The caller wanted verification about low DO being the probable cause. FWH staff gave a general explanation about low dissolved oxygen kills and forwarded the IFAS brochure on low DO.
Suspected Cause - Low Dissolved Oxygen (Call ID: 070710_15588)

Clearwater - Pinellas County - Hotline Call - We received a report of illegal fishing in Allens Creek.
Info Request - (Call ID: 070710_15589) - - - (Group Report ID # 15589)
Referred the call to FWC Wildlife Alert

7/8/2010
Clearwater - Pinellas County - Hotline Call - We received a report of illegal fishing in Allens Creek.
Info Request - (Call ID: 070810_15590) - - - (Group Report ID # 15589)
Referred the call to FWC Wildlife Alert

The following reports were submitted to BP's Horizon call center, a wildlife hotline set up in response to the oil spill. The calls were forwarded to FWH as a courtesy and to other agencies for follow-up. The following is a summary of these reports. FWH staff does not confirm species ID unless samples are received at the FWRI FWH necropsy lab.

7/8/2010
Perdido Key - Escambia County - BP Horizon Call-Center - A live oiled sand crab and a dead non-oiled sand crab were reported near Perdido Key.
Suspected Cause - Pollution - Petroleum Spill (Call ID: 070810_15591)

Okaloosa Island - Okaloosa County - BP Horizon Call-Center - Three dead catfish were reported near the pier on Okaloosa Island.
Suspected Cause - Pollution - Petroleum Spill (Call ID: 070810_15592)

Pensacola - Escambia County - BP Horizon Call-Center - Three dead red snapper were reported in the tide line. They did not to appear to be oiled.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 070810_15593)

Fort Walton - Okaloosa County - BP Horizon Call-Center - One shark and a few catfish reported dead on Ft. Walton Beach.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 070810_15594)

The following reports from BP's Horizon call center were not followed up by FWH staff:

DATE	LOCATION	SPECIES	NOTES
7/7/2010	Panama City Beach	BIRDS	Front Beach Road Access Gate 72 /nearest cross st. between HWY 79/ Cobb Rd Live Bird
7/7/2010	Ft Lauderdale Bch near Aruba's Restaurant	REPTILE	Turtle Eggs
7/7/2010	Destin	BIRDS	Live Pelican Oiled
7/7/2010	Barefoot Bch; 27853 Kings Kew, Anita Springs	BIRDS	Live Cormorant Oiled
7/8/2010	299 S Gacon Point Rd. Escambia Bay	BIRDS	Live Pelican Oiled

7/8/2010 Port St. Joe Marina-340 Marina Dr. by the dock I Jetty Park BIRDS Live Seagull (2)
7/8/2010 Innerarity Island BIRDS Dead Seagull Oiled
7/8/2010 Dauphin Island N 33.14321 W088.07.238 BIRDS Dead unknown
7/8/2010 Off Bayou Texar close to Jerry's Restaurant and a d a bridge that crosses over HWY Cervantes BIRDS Live Pelican Oiled
7/8/2010 Fort Pickens;N30.32606 W87.19457;dispatching personnel just reporting BIRDS Live Loon Oiled
7/8/2010 West Crooked Island of Gulf side on the Shoreline / East of Panama City N30.02269 W 85.56541 BIRDS Live Loon Oiled
7/8/2010 N30:16.35 W087:6.28;Pensacola Beach BIRDS Live Bird Oiled
7/8/2010 N30:049667 W85:595194;near Air Force Base on the beach right outside of Panama City BIRDS Dead Loon
7/8/2010 Okaloosa Island; Fish & Wildlife responded FISH Dead Fish (3)
7/8/2010 West of Pensacola Pass BIRDS Live Plover injured
7/8/2010 East Galvez Port/Deluna Subdivision; Ft. Pickens Road MAMMAL Dead Dolphin
7/8/2010 Henderson State Park 17000 Emerald Coast Parkway BIRDS Live Seagull Oiled
7/8/2010 3247 Bay State Road Gulf Breeze BIRDS Live Pelican Oiled
7/8/2010 Crooked Island east in the city of Bay County Florida right at boardwalk BIRDS Live Loon Injured

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Friday, July 09, 2010 10:17 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Kristy Long
Subject: 7/9 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There was 1 stranding reported / verified today:
FL - 0
AL - 1 live Kemp's ridley - oiled, taken to IMMS MS - 0 LA - 0

There were 11 turtles recovered today by on-water capture operations:
4 Kemp's ridleys and 1 green turtle, all oiled, were recovered off of LA by LDWF
1 green turtle, oiled, was recovered off of LA by a bird capture crew
1 green turtle, not oiled, was recovered off of LA by LDWF
2 green turtles and 2 Kemp's ridleys, all oiled, were recovered by the live capture team out of Destin, FL

There were at least 14 turtles captured by trawlers working in front of the dredges working on the berm building project off of LA - none of these turtles were visibly oiled and the area they were working in is not currently oiled. One of the turtles, a loggerhead, was lethargic, unresponsive and was taken to IMMS for rehab; the other 13 turtles were tagged and relocated several miles away.

See attached Excel file for details. A separate worksheet was created for the trawl captures for now based on the minimal information we currently have regarding these captures.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Saturday, July 10, 2010 9:34 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Kristy Long
Subject: 7/10 - Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

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Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There were 2 strandings reported / verified today:
FL - 0
AL - 1 dead Kemp's ridley, not oiled
MS - 0
LA - 1 dead Kemp's ridley, oiled

There were 10 oiled turtles recovered by live capture operations:
off of Destin, FL - 1 Kemp's ridley, taken to Gulf World off of Venice, LA - 5 Kemp's ridleys and 4 green turtles, taken to Audubon

There have been at least 39 total turtles (33 loggerheads, 2 Kemp's ridleys, 4 species unknown at this time) captured by trawlers working in front of the dredges working on the berm project in LA since the project started yesterday. None of these turtles have been oiled and were relocated several miles away from the project.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Sunday, July 11, 2010 9:59 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Kristy Long
Subject: 7/11 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

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Sea Turtle Strandings and Live..

There were 3 strandings reported / verified today:
FL - 0
AL - 2 dead Kemp's ridleys, one oiled and one not oiled MS - 1 dead Kemp's ridley, not oiled LA - 0

There were 4 live oiled turtles recovered by the on-water live capture team working out of Destin, FL - 3 Kemp's ridleys and 1 green turtle, all were taken to Gulf World for de-oiling and rehab.

There was 1 additional live capture added for 7/8 offshore of Destin - it was unclear that day whether there were 9 or 10 turtles recovered, but has since been confirmed to be 10 total.

There were at least 11 additional loggerhead turtles captured today by the trawlers working in front of the dredges working on the berm building project in LA, none were oiled, all were tagged and relocated
3-4 miles away.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Monica Allen [Monica.Allen@noaa.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 12, 2010 5:20 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Can you take a look at a story about your work doing necropsies?

Attachments: turtle.necropsy.7.12.10.docx

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Hi Brian,
I'm attaching a story about your work on necropsies that would ideally run on the noaa website around the same time as the NY Times story. Last I talked with Shaila, her story was slated to run on Tuesday. Can you take a look at the attached story and let me know if there are any factual errors. I've also sent the story to Barbara Schroeder, Bob Hoffman, Alexis Gutierrez and Helen Golde.
I am going to be taking reporter names and numbers after the story runs and hope we can respond to them.
Thank you,
Monica

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 12, 2010 5:23 PM
To: Monica Allen
Cc: Brian Stacy; Helen Golde; David Cottingham
Subject: Re: Web story on Dr. Stacy's work

Attachments: turtle.necropsy.7.12.10 bas comments.docx

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Hi, here are my quick suggestions for edits.

Barbara Schroeder
National Sea Turtle Coordinator
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration - NMFS

email: barbara.schroeder@noaa.gov
Phone: 301-713-2322

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Monica Allen wrote:
> Barbara and Brian,
> NOAA would like to put out a web story tomorrow on Dr. Stacy's work to
> coincide with the New York Times story that is expected on Tuesday. I
> wrote this story today. Can you please take a look at it to be sure
> there are no factual errors. We need to keep it in layman's language.
> thank you,
> Monica
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Monday, July 12, 2010 9:46 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Kristy Long
Subject: 7/12 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

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Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There were 6 strandings reported / verified today:
FL - 1 live green turtle, no oil, taken to Gulfarium for rehab AL - 0 MS - 3 dead Kemp's ridleys, none oiled LA - 2 turtles - 1 live Kemp's ridley, not oiled, apparent boat hit damage, taken to Audubon for rehab; 1 dead green turtle, not oiled

There was 1 live Kemp's ridley recovered by the on-water capture operation working out of Destin, FL - this turtle was taken to Gulf World for de-oiling and rehab.

I have not heard an update on how many turtles, if any, were captured today by the trawlers and/or dredges working on the LA berm project.

See attached Excel file for details.

VoO's used today:
MS - Capt Terry, Wildlife VoO out of Long Beach Harbor MS - Capt James Ryan, Wildlife VoO out of small boat harbor, docked at Schooner Dock

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Tuesday, July 13, 2010 10:02 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Kristy Long
Subject: 7/13 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

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Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There were no turtles reported / verified today.

There were 2 late reports from yesterday (7/12):
FL - 1 dead loggerhead, no oil
MS - 1 dead Kemp's ridley, no oil

The live capture team out of Venice, LA went out but did not find any turtles. The live capture team out of Destin, FL did not go out today.

I have not heard an update today regarding trawl / dredge captures on the berm building project in LA. As of late last night, there had been a total of 59 turtles captured by trawlers working on this project.

See attached Excel file for details.

One VoO was used today:
MS - Capt James Ryan Alexander, Wildlife VoO out of small boat harbor

Stacy,Brian A

From: Liesl O'Dell [lodell@uff.ufl.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2010 8:42 AM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: RE: UF - oil spill

Thanks so much, Brian.
I'll get in touch with Monica, as you suggest.
Perhaps she'll have just the photos we'll need, and a trip out there won't be necessary for us.

Thank you for all the work you're doing, too.
It means a lot to me personally, as a Floridian.

Best of luck,
Liesl O'Dell
University of Florida
352-392-5491
lodell@uff.ufl.edu

From: Stacy,Brian A [bstacy@UFL.EDU]
Sent: Tuesday, July 13, 2010 5:27 PM
To: Liesl O'Dell
Subject: RE: UF - oil spill

Hello Liesl,

I am the lead for medical/necropsy issues related to sea turtles for the spill response. I am back at the University for the time being. I am working under the Unified Command (as well as for NOAA) for the response, which means that any photos I take have to be approved by the JIC. Monica Allen with NOAA press affairs (Monica Allen@noaa.gov) can provide you with photos that have been approved. They have a number within me in them.

I do not think that I can bring anyone but essential personnel if (more likely when) I go back to the Gulf - the conditions I have been working under are constrained in many ways including available housing. I am working with capture crews that are collecting oiled turtles in sargassum lines. One is working out of Destin. FWC and NOAA have allowed press on board on a few occasions - you can ask Monica if this would be a possibility.

Brian

Brian A Stacy, DVM, PhD, DACVP
NOAA/NMFS/Protected Resources
Marine Animal Disease Laboratory
University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine Aquatic Animal Health Program -----
Original Message-----
From: Liesl O'Dell [mailto:lodell@uff.ufl.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, July 13, 2010 11:04 AM
To: Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov
Subject: UF - oil spill

Hello Dr. Stacy,
I work with the UF Foundation. We're in the midst of a project to compile information about how UF has been involved with the oil spill.
I understand that you have been the College of Veterinary Medicine's key faculty member in terms of involvement in the oil spill.
I also understand that the majority of your post is funded by NOAA.

We are in need of photos to accompany the materials we are putting together. (Sarah Carey

was kind enough to provide a couple photos from the college - one was of you holding an oil-covered sea turtle - but we need more photos.) Is there any chance we could team up with you - the next time you go out to the Gulf?
Or, might you recommend any colleagues of yours who are also working in the Gulf periodically?

We could certainly stay out of your way - in terms of not inhibiting your work.

What do you think?
Are you planning to go out anytime soon?

Thanks very much,
Liesl O'Dell
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Box 14425
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Stacy,Brian A

From: Robin LeRoux [Robin.Leroux@noaa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2010 11:43 AM
To: holly beale
Cc: Susan Chivers; Brian Stacy
Subject: Re: RNA samples from wildlife in the Gulf

Hi Holly,

I'm cc'ing Brian Stacy. He's our NOAA sea turtle veterinarian that has been involved with the recovery efforts. I believe he may be able to provide you with information on the samples being collected and can get you in touch with those conducting necropsy's.

Cheers,
Robin

Susan Chivers wrote:
> Dear Holly,
>
> Thank you for your inquiry and concern about turtles in the Gulf of
> Mexico. I'm not sure what sampling is being done, but I think Robin
> LeRoux (cc'd here) will be able to answer your questions.
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> Cheers, Susan
>
> holly beale wrote:
>> Dear Dr. Chivers --
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>> I am trying to find out whether RNA samples are being collected from
>> the brains of deceased sea turtles in the Gulf of Mexico. Because of
>> your involvement with the Sea Turtle Molecular Genetics Sample
>> Archive, I thought you might be a good person to ask. I'm sure you
>> are extremely busy, and I appreciate your time.
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>> I am a molecular biologist with a background in analyzing gene
>> expression via ultra-high-throughput sequencing of RNA. My concern
>> about the effects of this oil spill on wildlife has inspired me to
>> help create biological archives. I am particularly interested in RNA
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To: Stacy,Brian A; Barbara Schroeder; Helen Golde; Teri Rowles
Subject: New York Times story has just posted on Dr. Stacy and necropsies

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Subject: Fish Kill Hotline Report 7/14/2010

7/12/2010
Panama City - Bay County - Hotline Call – We received a report of a fish kill in a private pond near Meadow Street. We returned the call and left a message with the report initiator with a request for more information.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071210_15639)
St Petersburg - Pinellas County - Hotline Call – We received a report of approximately 20 dead unidentified fish in Coffee Pot Bayou. The caller explained that the fish where near the boat ramp and it appeared to be a net dump. The water looked normal.
Suspected Cause - Net Dump (Call ID: 071210_15644)

7/13/2010
Marco Island - Collier County - Hotline Call - An angler provided us with a picture of a tarpon he caught off Marco Island. The fish had a large tumor near the left eye. The caller wanted a positive diagnosis for the tumor. FWH staff explained that we are not able to evaluate the tumor without fresh tissue.
Suspected Cause - Lesions/Ulcers (Call ID: 071310_15638)
Referred the call to FWH

Clay County - Hotline Call – A concerned citizen contacted us to inquire about foam accumulation in the Moody Canal. The caller will forward pictures of the canal to better describe what he is seeing. No fish kill was associated with this report.
Info Request - (Call ID: 071310_15645) - - - (Group Report ID # 14951)

Palm Beach - Palm Beach County - Hotline Call – We received a report of a fish kill near the Lake Worth Pier. The caller explained that he observed the dead fish on Sunday 07/11/10.
Suspected Cause - Cold Water - Upwelling (Call ID: 071310_15646) - - - (Group Report ID # 15619)

Melrose - Putnam County - Hotline Call – We received a report of two dead largemouth bass in Lake Geneva. The caller explained that the fish were stranded on the arm of the lake that has been cut off from the main part of the lake.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071310_15647)

Jacksonville - Duval County - Hotline Call - We received a request for information pertaining to the consumption of shrimp caught in the St Johns River.
Info Request - (Call ID: 071310_15648) - - - (Group Report ID # 14951)
Referred the Call to DOH

Port Sewall - Martin County - Hotline Call – We received a report of one dead sea turtle offshore Martin County. The caller explained that the animal was extremely decomposed.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071310_15649)
Referred the call to Sea Turtle Group
Palm Beach Gardens - Palm Beach County - WWW Form – We received a report of a fish kill south of the Breakers Hotel. The caller explained that he observed the dead fish on Sunday 7/11/10. The report initiator noted that most of the fish appeared to be reef fish.
Suspected Cause - Cold Water - Upwelling (Call ID: 071310_15650) - - - (Group Report ID # 15619)

The following reports were submitted to BP's Horizon call center, a wildlife hotline set up in response to the oil spill. The calls were forwarded to FWH as a courtesy and to other agencies for follow-up. The following is a summary of these reports. FWH staff does not confirm species ID unless samples are received at the FWRI FWH necropsy lab.

7/12/2010
Panama City Beach - Panama City - Bay County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center – Three unidentified fish were reported dead near Panama City Beach. The mortalities appeared to be fishing mortalities since fishing lines were coming still visible. There was no evidence of oil.
Suspected Cause - Net Dump (Call ID: 071210_15640)
Panama City Beach - Panama City - Bay County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center- Several extremely decomposed remora fish were reported near beach access #38.

Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071210_15641)
Santa Rosa Beach - Panama City Beach - Walton County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center- One catfish was reported dead near Ed Walline Beach.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071210_15642)

Fort Pickens - Santa Rosa County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center- Five mullet were reported dead on Langdon Beach, 1/2 mile past the ranger station. All the fish were heavily oiled and large amounts of oil covered the beach.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071210_15643)

The following reports from BP's Horizon call center were not followed up by FWH staff:

DATE	LOCATION	SPECIES	NOTES
7/12/2010	East Gregory Street, Pensacola	BIRDS	Live unknown Oiled
7/13/2010	N30:20332 W87: 16660;	BIRDS	Live unknown
7/13/2010	500 North Osceola Ave, Clearwater Fl Harbor Bluff Condo	BIRDS	Dead Great Blue Heron
7/13/2010	Near the Naval Air Station in the water	BIRDS	Dead Pelican
7/13/2010	N30.35807 W86.99495 Santa Rosa Island / National Seashore Park	BIRDS	Dead Royal Tern
7/13/2010	Panama City Beach	BIRDS	Live Unknown
7/13/2010	Pensacola Beach Public access #28 on the beach	BIRDS	Live Sea Gull
7/13/2010	Location North end of Fort Pickens	BIRDS	Live Loon Oiled
7/13/2010	Panama City Beach/ Flying toward Tarpon Dock near 6th st	BIRDS	Live Pelicans Oiled
7/13/2010	Fort Pickens Road;	BIRDS	Live Loon Oiled
7/13/2010	N30:19.562 W87:10.419; W of Pensacola Bay; Pensacola Beach	BIRDS	Live Bird Oiled
7/13/2010	Pensacola Beach; Boardwalk #28-fish hook in mouth	BIRDS	Live Sea Gull
7/13/2010	N30.13.649 W86.52.562; Santa Rosa Island	MAMMAL	Live Dolphins (20)
7/13/2010	N29.65744 W-84.87257; St. George Island;	BIRDS	Live Sea Gull Oiled
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Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2010 7:45 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A; Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov
Subject: tissue samples from sea turtle necropsy?

Dr. Stacy,

Today I read the NY Times article (http://www.nytimes.com/2010/07/15/science/earth/15necropsy.html) discussing the possible role of the recent oil spill in the Gulf in the death of wildlife, including turtles. It discussed your examination of the Kemp's Ridley sea turtle.

I am a neurobiologist at Columbia University, and I'm interested in how extensive exposure to oil might be affecting neuronal epithelia in the noses of these turtles. As these animals use their olfactory epithelia for food finding, mating, and navigation, oil-associated damage would have a significant impact upon their survival. I have extensive experience in this field, and would be quite interested in obtaining tissue samples from you following necropsy should they be available.

Thank you for your help and I look forward to discussing this further with you.

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Subject: 7/14 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There was 1 turtle reported / verified today:

FL - 0
AL - 1 dead Kemp's ridley, not oiled
MS - 0
LA - 0

No turtles were recovered by the on-water capture teams out of Venice or Destin today.

No update on captures today for the trawlers / dredges working on the berm project in LA. As of last night there had been 74 total turtles captured by the trawlers and no turtle takes by the dredges.

See attached Excel file for details.

There were no VoO's used today by STSSN response.

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From: Hoover,Aaron H [ahoover@ufl.edu]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 8:17 AM
To: StacyB@vetmed.ufl.edu
Cc: Carey,Sarah K
Subject: Interview Friday afternoon, weekend, or early next weeek

Brian, thanks for your note to Sarah below. I understand how busy you must be, and I really appreciate your willingness to spend a little time talking with me. I would love to meet you in person, but if that's not possible, I would be glad to interview you by phone.

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From: holly beale [hbeale@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 9:07 AM
To: Robin LeRoux
Cc: Susan Chivers; Brian Stacy
Subject: Re: RNA samples from wildlife in the Gulf

Thank you so much for your help!

On Wed, Jul 14, 2010 at 11:43 AM, Robin LeRoux <Robin.Leroux@noaa.gov> wrote:
> Hi Holly,
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> I'm cc'ing Brian Stacy. He's our NOAA sea turtle veterinarian that
> has been involved with the recovery efforts. I believe he may be able
> to provide you with information on the samples being collected and can
> get you in touch with those conducting necropsy's.
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> Cheers,
> Robin
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> Susan Chivers wrote:
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>> Dear Holly,
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To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Re: FW: Gulf animal necropsies

Hi Brian,
Thanks for sending the media inquiries my way.
I hope you were happy with Shaila's story. I really thought it was well done, well reported and very nuanced. I also thought that Brent's video took the story to a great visual level -- loved the shrimp moment. Thank you again for all the time you spent with the journalists and the way you showed them your work in such an understated, impressive way.

I am going to talk with Sarah Carey of UF today and I have some ideas, but I also want to gauge your appetite for doing interviews, press conference and at some time even a narrated necropsy.

We are in luck that Barbara Schroeder is going to be doing a media event in New Orleans at Audubon that reporters can call in for on Friday and she'll probably get questions about necropsies so we can direct some reporters that way.

I'll get back to you after I talk with Sarah Carey with some ideas for you to consider.

Thanks,
Monica

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Subject: [Fwd: FW: Gulf animal necropsies]

Here's the local TV

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Carey,Sarah K
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 2:26 PM
To: 'Monica Allen'; Stacy,Brian A
Subject: RE: Can you have a quick phone conversation with Sarah Carey and me today or Friday?

Monica and Brian,

I am tied up between 3-4 with a media interview today so tomorrow would be better. I did speak to Jack (CBS Evening News with Katie Couric) and he says the reporter he'd send could be in and out in an hour. He also asked if Brian was going to be doing the necropsies next week and I said as far as I knew the answer was yes. Jack seemed to think he would be able to plan a visit for Tuesday or later assuming we can accommodate his request.

Regarding B-roll, we can discuss further when we talk. I am waiting on one more callback but I understand you need to make your plans, so probably you should proceed as Chris is out next week and I have been unable to connect with the main UF broadcast office. I know they have limited broadcast ability right now.

Thanks,
Sarah

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From: Monica Allen [Monica.Allen@noaa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 4:02 PM
To: Teri Rowles
Cc: Barbara Schroeder; Helen Golde; David Cottingham; Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Answering media questions about why it is taking time to test tissue samples -- Please help us on this

Hi Teri,
With your help yesterday, we were able to get the NY Times to change a portion of the story online and in print before it went to print. Today, Talking Points Memo is asking about that change which they noticed. I think this is a good opportunity for us to explain the issues of sampling and testing and NRDA to the general public and have that when needed in the future. I am asking you to help me develop some very accessible talking points on this.

Background: We asked the NY Times to change the second sentence of this paragraph: Investigators plan to take skin and mouth swabs, slices of organ tissue and vials of bile from animals that have died and test them for disease and hydrocarbons, as well as for dispersants, before a final report on the cause of death is written. But no samples have yet been sent to labs, because NOAA scientists are still debating what types of results will prove most useful.

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Here are the questions, I'm hoping you can answer so that I can explain the necessary change and also, ultimately, explain the larger issue of why it is taking time to decide on labs and process the tissue samples we are taking in turtle and marine mammal necropsies. The reason reporters continue to ask this is largely -- dispersants -- they contend that if we had info on dispersant effects it might change the response in real time.

I'd like to tell Talking Points Memo that:
1. The sentence was changed from NOAA scientists to scientists because more than NOAA is involved in the evaluation of the types of analyses and the labs best used for tissue samples. Can you tell me who, generically, those other parties include? Academic scientists, other federal agency scientists, etc. if that is the case.

2. We also wanted the sentence changed because we are not looking for "results" that would prove most useful because we are not trying to bias results. We are looking for tests that are most relevant. Please say more on this if you can.

3. Can you tell me why it may take time to agree on the most important types of tests and laboratories?

4. There is a public impression that federal scientists are taking too much time to do many things in the oil spill response and this one is reinforcing that. Anything we can do to give the press and public perspective on this will help.

Thank you,
Monica

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: hey Connie -- question for you re: testing animals
Date: Thu, 15 Jul 2010 11:29:55 -0400
From: Rachel Slajda <rachel@talkingpointsmemo.com>
To: Connie.Barclay@noaa.gov

Hi Connie,

I read this story in the NYT yesterday:
http://www.nytimes.com/2010/07/15/science/earth/15necropsy.html?pagewanted=1

And I wanted to ask you about something in it. In one paragraph, the original article said,

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Now, that's been changed to: "But no samples have yet been sent to labs, because scientists are still evaluating what type of tests will prove most useful."

So, I was wondering if you might be willing to detail what was wrong with the first version and, if it still applies, give me a few details on some of the concerns NOAA has about the different kinds of tests.

Thanks so much for your help, on this as well as the fisheries story I wrote a few weeks ago.

Best,

Rachel

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To: Stacy,Brian A; 'Monica Allen'
Subject: RE: Can you have a quick phone conversation with Sarah Carey and me today or Friday?

Monica, just let me know if there's a specific number I should call or if you'd prefer to call me and bring Brian in. I'll mark my calendar to be in the office at that time.

Sarah

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Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 5:23 PM
To: 'Monica Allen'
Cc: Carey,Sarah K
Subject: RE: Can you have a quick phone conversation with Sarah Carey and me today or Friday?

I can talk tomorrow around 2pm if that works for you.

Brian

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Hoover,Aaron H
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 7:41 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: RE: Interview Friday afternoon, weekend, or early next weeek

Brian, thanks, I will be there at 3 p.m. Thanks much, Aaron

From: Stacy,Brian A
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 5:26 PM
To: Hoover,Aaron H
Subject: RE: Interview Friday afternoon, weekend, or early next weeek

Hi Aaron,

Tomorrow at 3pm will work fine if you would like to meet at the College of Vet Medicine. My office is in the veterinary academic building in room V1-127B.

Brian

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From: Hoover,Aaron H [mailto:ahoover@ufl.edu]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 8:17 AM
To: StacyB@vetmed.ufl.edu
Cc: Carey,Sarah K
Subject: Interview Friday afternoon, weekend, or early next weeek

Brian, thanks for your note to Sarah below. I understand how busy you must be, and I really appreciate your willingness to spend a little time talking with me. I would love to meet you in person, but if that's not possible, I would be glad to interview you by phone.

I could arrange Friday afternoon, sometime over the weekend, or sometime early next week…Whenever you can squeeze me in. Feel free to email, call my office at 2-0186, or my cell at 328-4340. Thanks again, and I look forward to hearing from you,

Aaron

From: Carey,Sarah K
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2010 4:36 PM
To: Hoover,Aaron H
Subject: FW: Help reaching Brian Stacy?

From: Stacy,Brian A
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2010 3:54 PM
To: Carey,Sarah K
Subject: RE: Help reaching Brian Stacy?

Hi Sarah,

I am under many demands at the moment. As per my bosses in NOAA - I have to be protective of my time. I can arrange an interview with Aaron, but it will not be until we finish our necropsies Friday afternoon. I would prefer to call Aaron myself.

Brian

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FYI, if you can wait til Friday, Brian says he will call you. If you do not hear from him by mid-afternoon, give me a buzz and I will try to locate him.

Thanks,

Sarah

From: Carey,Sarah K
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2010 3:28 PM
To: Stacy,Brian A
Cc: Francis-Floyd,Ruth; Pastor,John D; Courtney,Charles H,III
Subject: FW: Help reaching Brian Stacy?

Hi, Brian –

Thanks for working with John Pastor (my back-up from the UF HSC) – I'm grateful he was available to help with the Times interview, and Monica and I are trading phone calls today to catch up. She indicated in a voice message that the Times story could appear as early as tonight online, and said we should talk about how to handle media calls that may emanate from that. So, between her and me, I'm sure you'll be hearing something soon. Guess I would like to know what your availability is to take calls and give interviews, should they start coming in.

Secondly and in the meantime, Aaron Hoover, a writer for the main campus news office, would very much like to speak to you for his UF alumni magazine story. I offered him mine (thanks for getting back to John on that, since I'll use the revised version in my pubs) – but Aaron wants to do his own interview. It would be good exposure for you, if you can do it. He would feature you prominently in the article. Can I ask him to call you? Or could you call him directly if it's easier for you? His number is below, 392-0186.

Many thanks in advance for your help,

Sarah

From: Hoover,Aaron H
Sent: Tuesday, July 13, 2010 8:50 AM
To: Carey,Sarah K
Subject: Help reaching Brian Stacy?

Hey, Sarah,

I know you are still on vacation, but when you get back tomorrow, I would really appreciate whatever help you can give me in reaching Brian Stacy.

I am hoping to talk to him for my alumni magazine story because it appears he is UF's most (or at least one of the most) "on the ground" researchers actually working directly with the spill and its consequences. We have at least 30 faculty working on oil related projects, but most seem to be research/study as opposed to direct response. Brian's experience would be really good for the lede of my story, especially if we have a photo.

The thing is, I need to talk to Brian this week, if at all possible. Anyway I know you can't guarantee it but whatever help you could give me would be wonderful.

Thanks for everything,

Aaron

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Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 9:47 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Kristy Long
Subject: 7/15 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

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There were 3 turtle strandings reported / verified today:
FL - 1 dead Kemp's ridley, no oil
AL - 1 dead unknown species (bones only), no oil
MS - 1 dead green turtle, no oil
LA - 0

There were 4 turtles recovered by live capture operations:
1 Kemp's ridley, oiled, was recovered by the group working out of Venice, LA
2 Kemp's ridleys (1 oiled, 1 not oiled) and 1 green turtle (oiled) were recovered by the LDWF group working approx 35 miles offshore Grand Isle, LA

There has been no update received since 7/13 on trawl or dredge captures working on the berm project in LA.

See attached Excel file for details.

VoO's utilized for stranding response:
AL - 7/15 - Mob# 50030 Capt. Anthony Morales
AL - 7/14 - Mob# 55154 Capt. Terry (Note - this one should have been included in yesterday's report)

Stacy,Brian A

From: Paul.Richards@noaa.gov
Sent: Friday, July 16, 2010 10:18 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Bonnie Ponwith; NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Wendy Teas; Sheryan Epperly; Karen Mitchell; Brian Stacy; Chris Sasso; Lisa Belskis
Subject: 7/16 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

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Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There was 1 turtle stranding reported/ verified today: FL - 0, AL 1 dead Kemp's ridley, oiled, MS - 0, LA - 0.

There were 2 turtles recovered by on water capture operations from the group working out of Venice, LA: 1 Kemp's ridley, oiled, 1 Green, oiled. We have no information on their condition.

A loggerhead turtle was reported taken by a dredge today. We have no information on its condition or if it was oiled or not. There have been no update received since 7/13 on trawl captures  working on the berm project in LA.

VoO's utilized for stranding response:
AL - Capt. Louis (Benjamin) Hamilton out of Bon Secour Bay (we don't have the Mob #) AL - Capt. Anthony Moralis Mob# 50030.

Yesterday 7/15, there were 3 turtles recovered by on water capture operations: 1 Hawksbill, alive, oiled, 1 Green dead, oiled, 1 Green alive, oiled. All captured by LDWF.

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From: Carey,Sarah K
Sent: Saturday, July 17, 2010 9:13 PM
To: 'monica.allen@noaa.gov'; Stacy,Brian A
Cc: Francis-Floyd,Ruth; 'courtneyc@mail.vetmed.ufl.edu'
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To: careys@vetmed.ufl.edu <careys@vetmed.ufl.edu>
Sent: Sat Jul 17 20:13:29 2010
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Megan Kelty
Digital Journalist, CBS News

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Sea Turtle Strandings and Live..

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No VoO's were utilized for stranding response today.

Updates for 7/15 and 7/16 came in from one of the on water capture groups:
7/15, 1 Kemp's ridley, retrieved.
7/16, 3 Greens, 1 retrieved, 2 released.
7/16, 5 Kemp's ridleys, 1 retrieved, 4 released.
We have no data on if any were oiled or not, or what their condition was. I assumed those that were released were alive.

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A summary update of trawl captures came in today. As of 7/16:
114 total turtles captured
106 Loggerheads
6 Kemp's ridley
1 Green turtle

3 loggerhead turtles taken to IMMS rehab facility (2 alive/sick/injured, 1 dead)
111 healthy/unoiled turtles relocated 3-6 miles NE of dredge borrow site

4 loggerhead turtles have been recaptured since the start of the relocation effort.
Relocation distance is now 6 miles NE of the dredge borrow site.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Barbara Schroeder [Barbara.Schroeder@noaa.gov]
Sent: Sunday, July 18, 2010 11:38 AM
To: Brian Stacy
Subject: necropsy update

thanks I updated all the necropsy numbers in the daily text early this AM

Stacy,Brian A

From: Carey,Sarah K
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From: Monica Allen [Monica.Allen@noaa.gov]
Sent: Sunday, July 18, 2010 12:07 PM
To: Carey,Sarah K; Stacy,Brian A; David Miller
Subject: CBS News Request and our plan for Tuesday's media day in Dr. Stacy's lab

Thanks Brian and Sarah,
Yes I am glad we are sticking to our plan for the Tuesday morning media event. Thank you Sarah for explaining this to CBS. I hope CBS sees the advantage of this singularly great opportunity on Tuesday. If not, we will see if one of the other national media outlets that has shown interest -- ABC, NBC or National Geo would like to come on Tuesday morning. David P. Miller from NOAA Public Affairs is also planning on being there to assist Brian and the videographer that NOAA has hired to get b-roll.

Brian -- I also spoke with Sarah about having one half hour for the NOAA videographer to do a quick interview on camera with you before the other media join in the event. That would take place from 9 to 9:30 on Tuesday. The videographer would then stay to collect B-roll with the others of your work. I am writing three to four general questions for the B-roll videographer to use for the brief standup interview. I will send those to you later today so you'll have them and you can let me know if there are other questions you'd prefer. We all understand that you won't start the necropsies until all media are there so that you have the clean lab for all to begin with as you explained to us.
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Subject: RE: CBS News Request and our plan for Tuesday's media day in Dr. Stacy's lab

Sounds good. Just sent an emailed response to CBS after speaking to the producer and Monica by phone this morning.
Hopefully we will know soon if they plan to come. The producer, Megan, seemed grateful for the opportunity and understanding of the situation, even though they had pushed for Monday. She was heading out on a boat herself when I reached her cell, but said she would be in touch with her New York producers later this evening and would let me know something tonight.

Thanks to all and Monica especially for the good update; this puts us ahead of communication plan for the morning!
Please let me know if there is anything else at all I can do to help, if David needs directions or anything else.
I am tied up in meetings most of tomorrow afternoon, unfortunately but am available by phone in the morning at (352) 294-4242 or via my cell (352) 665-5761.
Today my home line is the best way to reach me and feel free to call if needed, (352) 384-1501.

Thank you,
Sarah

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Yes I am glad we are sticking to our plan for the Tuesday morning media event. Thank you Sarah for explaining this to CBS. I hope CBS sees the advantage of this singularly great opportunity on Tuesday. If not, we will see if one of the other national media outlets that has shown interest -- ABC, NBC or National Geo would like to come on Tuesday morning. David P. Miller from NOAA Public Affairs is also planning on being there to assist Brian and the videographer that NOAA has hired to get b-roll.

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Thank you all for helping organize this media event to show Americans this important work in response the the oil spill.
Monica

Carey,Sarah K wrote:
> Thanks, Brian. That's what I was thinking but I'm glad we are all on the same page and wanted you to have the opportunity to do it if you wanted to.
> I had not yet responded back to CBS but was just picking up the phone to call Monica again (did not want to bother you on your cell unless truly necessary) when I saw your e-mail had popped up.
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> I can be available to assist the crew so no worries there. Your thoughts?
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Cc: tdemaar@gpz.org; seaturtleinc@yahoo.com; wksahc@juno.com
Subject: Re: sea turtle wet lab in South Padre Island

Attachments: AAZV ARAV sea turtle wet lab July 18 update.doc

AAZV ARAV sea turtle wet lab J...

Please see more recent draft of the wet lab. I need to get some detailed input here so please comment as soon as you are able. Thanks Terry

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To: tnmynahvet@aol.com
Cc: jwyneken@fau.edu; cinnis@neaq.org; srivera@zooatlanta.org; StacyB@vetmed.ufl.edu; WalshM@vetmed.ufl.edu; jflanagan@houstonzoo.org
Sent: Fri, Feb 26, 2010 9:02 am
Subject: Re: sea turtle wet lab in South Padre Island

Hi Terry-
I am happy to help with this. What we did at the last meetings was a sea turtle session. It did not have a lab component. One of the things that might be valuable is some comparative turtle/tortoise/sea turtle anatomy. This could be a prelab lecture or, if caracases are a available prosections.
Cheers!
Jeanette

On Fri, Feb 26, 2010 at 8:20 AM, <tnmynahvet@aol.com> wrote:

Hello, I have been asked to run a wet lab for both the ARAV/AAZV membership on the first Sunday of the 2010 meeting on SP Island. I realize that Doug, Jeannette, and Charlie did a Master Class or something to that effect at last years ARAV. Hopefully this will be a bit different. There will be carcasses available to use for clinical techniques and necropsy. I plan on developing a series of lectures prior to the labororatory portion. We may also be able to do something with the rehab center on SPI-Sea Turlte Inc. I would be interested involving you if you are planning on attending the meeting and have an interest. Let me know your thoughts as soon as you are able. Thanks Terry

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Subject: 7/18 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live..

There were 2 turtle strandings reported/ verified today: FL – dead Green, no oil, AL - 0, MS –
1 dead Kemp's ridley, oiled, LA – 0.

Also, 1 late report: 7/17 LA- 1 dead Kemp's ridley, no oil.

VoO's that were utilized for stranding response today:
AL – Capt. Marina Meranda Mob#55377.2
MS – Capt. Jay Watts using Capt. Cary Levens boat "Vanna Seas", we did not get the Mob#

There were 8 oiled live turtles recovered by on water capture operations:
4 Kemp's ridleys and 2 Green's recovered by the group working out of Destin.
1 Kemp's ridley recovered by the group working out of Venice.
1 Green recovered by LDWF.

See attached Excel file for details.

No updates on trawl or dredge captures.

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Let me know if you think this is a good idea and I will try to procure a room in the dean's area or someplace close. You can always do a stand-up in a hallway or office if needed.

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Subject: Re: Necropsy shots for B-roll

Attachments: Jonathan_Shannon.vcf

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CC: Christine Patrick <Christine.Patrick@noaa.gov>, Jonathan Shannon <Jonathan.Shannon@noaa.gov>
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Are you aware of this?

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To: Colin.Black@usdoj.gov
Cc: Howard.Stewart@usdoj.gov; 'Tracy Dunn'; 'Mark Kinsey'; Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov; mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu
Subject: NOAA Necropsy Scientist

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Colin, per our forensic discussion last week I am providing you with the contact information for Mike Ziccardi and Brian Stacy. They are the scientists responsible for handling the forensic evidence and necropsies of sea turtles and marine mammals for NOAA. Their information is as follows:

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Thanks,

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Cc: Alexis.Gutierrez; Helen Golde; Brian Stacy
Subject: Re: updating turtle stranding fact sheet

Attachments: sea turtle strandings fact sheet.6.11.10-1bas comments.docx

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Hi Monica,
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From: Brown, Catalina [Catalina.Brown@MyFWC.com]
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2010 4:25 PM
Subject: Fish Kill Hotline Report 7/19/2010

7/16/2010
Panama City - Bay County - Referred from Outreach Coordination Office - Florida Operations Section staff at Unified Command contacted us for information pertaining to FWC actions regarding a fish kill in St Andrews Bay.
Info Request - (Call ID: 071610_15680)
Panama City - Bay County - Hotline Call – FWC staff contacted us to let us know that they received a report of a large fish kill, mostly croaker, near St Andrews Pass. There was no evidence of oil.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071610_15684)
Palatka - Putnam County - Hotline Call – We received a report of a fish kill in private pond near Stokes Landing Road. The caller explained that the water looked normal for the past few days, but it then turned to a reddish color. The pond is less than a mile from the SJR and the caller was concerned that it may be related to the fish kill in the SJR.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071610_15685)

Melbourne - Brevard County - Hotline Call - We received a report of a fish kill in a private pond near Senator Way. The report initiator witnessed a spraying on 07/15/10 and by Friday morning all of the fish in the pond were dead. He was concerned that poison might have leaked into the pond, resulting in the kill. FWH staff contacted FDACS and we returned the call and left a message with the report initiator providing the FDACS phone number.
Suspected Cause - Low Dissolved Oxygen Due to "HERB/PEST" Spraying (Call ID: 071610_15686)
Referred the call to FDACS

7/17/2010
New Port Richey - Pasco County - WWW Form – We received a report of a fish kill in a canal behind Sail Drive. The caller explained that he was concerned because there was a dead dog among the dead fish. The caller explained that the dog carcass had been flushed out of the canal, and he was not able to tell whether the animal had been dead prior to falling in the canal or had died in the canal.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071710_15687)

The following reports were submitted to BP's Horizon call center, a wildlife hotline set up in response to the oil spill. The calls were forwarded to FWH as a courtesy and to other agencies for follow-up. The following is a summary of these reports. FWH staff does not confirm species ID unless samples are received at the FWRI FWH necropsy lab.

7/14/2010
Panama City - Bay County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center- A report was forwarded but no contact information was provided and we were unable to contact the report initiator.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071410_15669)

7/15/2010

Panama City Beach - Panama City - Bay County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center- Approximately 25 unidentified fish were reported dead near Panama City Beach. We returned the call and left a message with the report initiator with a request for more information.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071510_15670)

Santa Rosa Beach - Walton County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center –One unidentified fish was reported dead near Deer Lake State Park by SCAT staff. No evidence of oil was noted.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071510_15671)

Panama City - Bay County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center – Approximately 150 unidentified fish were reported dead west of the Panama City Pass. There was no evidence of oil.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071510_15673)

Pensacola Beach - Escambia County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center – One unidentified fish was reported dead near the Hilton. There was no evidence of oil.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071510_15675)

Panama City - Bay County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center – Several hundred dead fish, apparently silver trout and butterfish, were reported dead near Panama City Marina.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071510_15676)

Panama City Beach - Bay County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center – SCAT team reported one dead hard head catfish with a swollen swim bladder near Toledo Place.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071510_15677)

Panama City - Bay County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center – Thousands of apparently dead croakers were reported dead near St Andrews Bay.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071510_15678)

Gulf Breeze - Escambia County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center- Two unidentified fish were reported dead by the Escambia County EOC Field Office.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 071510_15679)

The following reports from BP's Horizon call center were not followed up by FWH staff:

7/14/2010		Bird	Northern gannet
7/14/2010		Bird	
7/14/2010		Bird	Oyster catcher
7/13/2010	Hernando beach	Bird	
7/13/2010	Pensacola	Bird	Great heron
7/13/2010	Pensacola	Bird	
7/14/2010		Turtle	Turtle
7/14/2010	Santa Rosa	Bird	Pelican
7/14/2010	Panama city	Bird	
7/14/2010	Gulf breeze	Turtle	Sea
7/14/2010		Bird	Loon
7/14/2010	Pensacola	Bird	Northern
7/14/2010	East point	Bird	Laughing gull
7/16/2010	Orange Beach	Bird	Osprey
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7/16/2010	Boca Raton	Mammal	Dolphin
7/16/2010	Pensacola	Bird	Seagull
7/16/2010	Valrico	Turtle	
7/16/2010	Pensacola	Bird	Duck
7/17/2010	Panama city	Bird	
7/17/2010	Camden key	Bird	Duck
7/17/2010	Gulf Breeze	Bird	Juvenile herring gull
7/17/2010	Gulf Breeze	Bird	Laughing gull
7/17/2010	Santa Rosa Island	Bird	Loon
7/17/2010	Santa Rosa Island	Bird	Unknown bird
7/17/2010	Pensacola	Bird	Water Bird
7/17/2010	Panama City	Bird	
7/17/2010	Taylor	Bird	
7/17/2010	Orlando	Bird	Crane/Heron?

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To: Stacy,Brian A
Subject: Nat Geo and other stuff

Attachments: sea turtle strandings fact sheet.7.19.10.docx; 1887_Marine-Mammals-Sea-Turtles-fact-sheet.pdf; 1959_deepwater-Horizon-NRDA-ORR-web-5-7-10.pdf; 2126 _oilspill_general_restoration.pdf

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Hi Brian,

I talked with Nat Geo and told the journalist we'd be giving them our b-roll as soon as possible and could set up an interview with you in the next few weeks. Of course they wanted to come to see you do the necropsy, but we are at our 8 person limit and I really do want the people we've planned for tomorrow's media day to have a high quality experience.

I am also attaching the fact sheets (updated word doc by Barbara S. today) and other material I provided to the reporters who are coming tomorrow.

Thank you for doing the media event.

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-- a general fact sheet on sea turtles and marine mammals and potential effects of oil
-- a fact sheet on sea turtles and strandings and rescues in the Gulf
-- two general facts sheet on the Natural Resources Damage Assessment.
Dr. Stacy's work is part of this assessment.

Also provided them with helpful links:
A NOAA story and photos on Dr. Stacy's July 7, 2010 necropsies of two sea turtles at UF
http://www.noaa.gov/features/04_resources/index.html

To get the latest numbers of strandings and animals captured as part of the Wildlife Branch Unit's on water search and rescue operation go to:
http://response.restoration.noaa.gov/deepwaterhorizon.

And scroll down for a report on sea turtles and marine mammals.

To see maps, info and other acts on marine life and the oil spill, go to
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this guy is apparently our office's new outreach person, he does not have a clue, his first foray his first day was to come to me and suggest we sell the new TED rule (whenever that comes about) as a way to save more turtles to eat more jellyfish to save larval fish to provide more fish for commercial fishermen.....I told him this AM when he came to me with the 'training video" idea that were really don't do wholesale training for necropsies and wouldn't want to have a video to send out to anyone, that that kind of training would be done in person one on one and with the materials that already exist.

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Subject: 7/19 Strandings and Live Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live...

There were 7 strandings reported / verified today:
FL - 0
AL - 2 dead Kemp's ridleys, neither oiled
MS - 5 total, none oiled - 2 dead Kemp's ridleys, 2 dead loggerheads, 1 live hatchling (unknown whether loggerhead or Kemp's ridley) that was dead on arrival at rehab - being shipped to Dr. Brian Stacy for necropsy
LA - 0

There were 5 oiled Kemp's ridleys recovered - 4 by the live capture team out of Venice and 1 by LDWF - all were taken to Audubon for de-oiling and rehab.

As of last night, there have been 134 total turtles (126 loggerheads, 7 Kemp's ridleys, 1 green turtle) captured by trawlers working in front of dredges on the LA berm building project. Of the 134 total, 131 have been relocated 3-6 miles away, 2 have been debilitated / taken to rehab, and 1 was dead and sent for necropsy. There has also been 1 loggerhead taken (killed) by a dredge working on this project.

See attached Excel fil! e for det

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Sent: Monday, July 19, 2010 10:33 PM
To: Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov
Subject: FW: On July 29 we will have a Chain of Custody Best Practices meeting at the Lab

Brian, please see the email chain below for the invitation to the upcoming meeting at the US Fish and Wildlife Forensic Lab.

Thanks,

James

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Cc: Stephen_Clark@fws.gov
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Thank you, Ed. That sounds great.

James, would you please extend this invitation to Mike Ziccardi and Brian Stacy, who are conducting the NOAA necropsies (I have not yet spoken with them, and will probably do so through you eventually).

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Brian,

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Also, I believe the NMFS HQ communications team is working to procure an internal contractor to take footage from our response efforts we would like to have on file. Let me know if you see a need or an opportunity where you would like filming to occur in the future. If you feel it appropriate, I will discuss with Lori Wilson about incorporating a photo gallery (with images you can provide) on our oil spill response page.

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Subject: RE: conference call regarding lab issues re oil spill investigation?

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Attachments: HTML Narrative Report.htm; TX2010ZONETABLES.pdf

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(See attached file: HTML Narrative Report.htm)(See attached file: TX2010ZONETABLES.pdf)
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By Trevor Fanning </search?q=%22Trevor%20Fanning%22>

Columnist

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Kemp's Ridleys, an endangered species of sea turtles, are washing up dead in record numbers on the Mississippi coast — but most of them are not displaying obvious signs of oil-contamination.

Dr. Brian Stacy, a veterinarian pathologist employed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association, conducts necropsies on the dead sea turtles found on beaches after the BP oil spill. Oil is not the direct killer for many of the dead sea turtles, but fisheries interaction is a culprit.
Marine turtles are air-breathing reptiles that must periodically surface from the sea for oxygen. "Drowning is a concern, as is acute exposure to a toxin," Stacey told The New York Times. By July 12, more than 460 dead marine turtles had been reported to the Unified Area Command, which is overseeing the Deepwater Horizon spill response.

Wildlife mortality statistics are liable to be inflated this year because of the high volume of oil spill respondents tagging, collecting and sending animal carcasses to Stacy's Gainesville, Fla., laboratory for necropsies. Nevertheless, the spike in fish and wildlife fatalities this season is indirectly attributable to the rig blowout and oil spill.

The Kemp's Ridley sea turtles washing up in Mississippi are dying incidentally from the oil spill; the turtles' shells, underbellies and mouths may be clean of oil, but pieces of shrimp found lodged in a turtle's esophagus, or traces of sediment found in its lungs, send up red flags that the turtle was entrapped by a shrimper's net and drowned.

Marine sea turtles are thought to be migrating further inland to escape the massive slicks of oil pooling in the Gulf, in the meantime skirting the pathways of commercial fishermen. The peril is all the greater when Mississippian shrimpers, taking advantage of the Coast Guard's preoccupation with spill cleanup, neglect to use their trawling nets' federally required Turtle Excluder Devices.

The T.E.D. is a modification on shrimping nets that serves as an escape hatch for sea turtles caught in commercial shrimpers' nets.

A shrimp net's T.E.D. consists of "a grid of bars with an opening either at the top or

bottom of the trawl net," according to the NOAA Fisheries Office of Protected Resources.

The T.E.D. acts as a filter for shrimp and small fish to pass into the trawl net but excludes incidental catches, freeing larger animals such as sharks or sea turtles from being caught in the shrimp nets.

An adult sea turtle can normally hold its breath for several hours underwater, but a turtle that is entangled in a shrimping net may panic, and deplete its oxygen reserves rapidly in distress. Since shrimpers trawl with their nets beneath the surface for long periods of time, any sea turtles that are unable to surface for air may drown in the shrimpers' nets.

Louisiana shrimpers are especially prone to incidentally catching sea turtles, since the laws on T.E.D. regulations in the state are lax — Wildlife and Fisheries Enforcement agents in Louisiana are prohibited from enforcing T.E.D. regulations.

Sea turtles are protected by the federal government under the Endangered Species Act.

Wildlife and Fisheries Enforcement agents patrol the Gulf of Mexico to check that commercial fishers and shrimpers are abiding by federal regulations to ensure the sea turtles' safety, but three days after Mississippi's shrimping season began, 12 dead turtles were found on Mississippi beaches.

Mississippi, nevertheless, has taken the initiative to reduce the allowable towing-times for shrimpers to drag their nets underwater, and the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources has distributed pamphlets to commercial fishermen with instructions on resuscitating unconscious turtles.

Louisiana, too, must take progressive steps to enforce T.E.D. regulations for commercial fishermen, so that endangered marine turtles, like the Kemp's Ridley and Loggerhead, will not meet their demise in the wake of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

Contact Trevor Fanning at tfanning@lsureveille.com.

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From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2010 9:57 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; Karen.Mitchell; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Kristy Long
Subject: 7/21 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle Strandings and Live...

There was 1 turtle stranding reported / verified today:

FL - 0
AL - 0
MS - 0
LA - 1 dead unknown species, picked up by LDWF fisheries division and taken to Ft. Jackson - will be ID'd and taken to Audubon

The live capture boats did not go out today - Venice due to bad weather and Destin due to BP deactivating their capture vessel.

The trawlers working in front of the dredges on the LA berm project have captured a total of 171 turtles as of last night. There have also been a total of 3 turtles taken (killed) by the dredges, 2 of those in the past 24 hours.

See attached Excel file for details.

Happy 20th Wedding Anniversary Mike and Chris!!!

Stacy,Brian A

From: Brown, Catalina [Catalina.Brown@MyFWC.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 2:29 PM
Subject: Fish Kill Hotline Report 7/22/2010

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7/20/2010

Haines - Polk County - Hotline Call – FWRI Avian staff received a report of several dead ducks in Hack Lake. During their investigation they observed approximately 150 dead fish, mostly bluegill and red ear sunfish. The water color was green and duck weed was observed on the lake surface. FWRI staff is currently analyzing the water samples for an algal bloom.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 072010_15710)
Referred the call to FWC HAB FWH Avian Group

7/21/2010

Miramar - Broward County - Hotline Call - A concerned citizen contacted us to let us know that one fish was swimming close to the surface in a private pond in the Villas of Renaissance subdivision. The caller explained that the fish appeared to have a sore near the dorsal fin. The report initiator will forward pictures of the animal.
Suspected Cause - Other (Call ID: 072110_15713)

Chipley - Washington County - Hotline Call – We received a report of a fish kill in Crystal Lake. The caller explained that most of the dead fish were blue gill and shell crackers. The water looked normal and there was no evidence of debris or macro algae on the surface. The report initiator also wanted to know if there were any potential issues associated with the sand mining that is currently taking place near the lake, and if that could result in the kill.
Suspected Cause - Low Dissolved Oxygen (Call ID: 072110_15714) - - - (Group Report ID # 15711)
Referred the call to Washington County Parks & Recreation

Miami - Dade County - Hotline Call – An angler contacted us for identification of a fish that he believed to be a northern pike. Pictures of the fish will be forwarded for potential identification.
Info Request - (Call ID: 072110_15716)

Palatka - Putnam County - Hotline Call – A concerned citizen contacted us to find out if there were any potential health issues associated with the consumption of fish caught in the SJR.
Info Request - (Call ID: 072110_15717) - - - (Group Report ID # 14951)
Referred the call to DOH

St Augustine - St. Johns County - Hotline Call – We received a report of a fish kill in the FWC fish management area near Stetson Road.
Suspected Cause - (Call ID: 072110_15718)

West Palm Beach - Palm Beach County - WWW Form – We received a report of a fish kill in a private pond near Village Boulevard. The caller explained that the vegetation near the pond had also turned brown and died at the same time the fish kill was observed.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 072110_15719)
Referred the call to FDACS

Chipley - Washington County - Hotline Call - Washington County Department of Health staff contacted us for information pertaining to the fish kill in Crystal Lake.
Suspected Cause - Low Dissolved Oxygen (Call ID: 072110_15720) - - - (Group Report ID # 15711)
Referred the call to Public Works

St Augustine - St. Johns County - Hotline Call - A concerned citizen contacted us to find out if there were any potential health issues associated with the consumption of crabs caught in the SJR
Info Request - (Call ID: 072110_15712) - - - (Group Report ID # 14951)
Referred the call to DOH FL Aquatic Toxins Hotline

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does not confirm species ID unless samples are received at the FWRI FWH necropsy lab.
Panama City - Bay County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center – Two unidentified fish were reported dead near the Front Road Beach Access #63. No evidence of oil.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 072110_15715)

The following reports from BP's Horizon call center were not followed up by FWH staff:

DATE CITY TYPE SPECIES NUMBER DEAD GPS
07/20/2010 Unknown Bird Loon 0 lat: 30.09012
long: 85.67168
07/21/2010 Tallahassee Bird Unknown 0 lat: 30.334
long: 87.301
07/21/2010 Eastside Bird Loon 0
07/21/2010 Panama City Bird Laughlin Gull 0
07/21/2010 Destin Bird Seagull 1 lat: 30.21.819
long: 8614.228
07/21/2010 N/A Reptile Baby Sea Turtle 0
07/21/2010 Pensacola Bird Unknown 1 lat: 30.270017 ,
long: 87.543833
07/21/2010 Panama City Bird Unknown 1
07/21/2010 Perdido Key Bird Cormorant 0 lat: 30.30970
long: 87.36699
07/21/2010 Panama City Bird Loon 0 lat: 29.598243
long: 85.52107
07/21/2010 Pensacola Beach Fish Shark Sucker 1 lat: 30 19.610 ,
long: 87 09.812
07/21/2010 N/A Bird Laughing Gull 0 lat: 30.24883 ,
long: 87.68942
07/21/2010 Panama City Bird Unknown 0
07/21/2010 Fort Walton Beach Turtle Turtle Egg 0 lat: 30.39710
long: 86.59781
07/21/2010 Orange Beach Bird Unknown 0
07/21/2010 Perdido Key Bird Unknown 0 lat: 30 19.509
long: 87 10.881

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Subject: 7/22 Strandings and Directed Capture Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle Strandings and Live...

There was 1 turtle stranding reported / verified today:

FL - 0
AL - 1 dead Kemp's ridley
MS - 0
LA - 0

There were 5 Kemp's ridleys located by the directed capture crew working out of Orange Beach. Three of these turtles were very lightly oiled and were cleaned and released in unoiled weedlines. The other two turtles were lightly and moderately oiled and were taken to Gulf World for de-oiling and rehab. No directed capture operations were conducted out of Destin or Venice today.

As of last night (7/21) the trawlers working in front of the dredges working on the LA berm project had captured 182 turtles. There have also been a total of 3 turtles killed by dredges working on this project.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Brown, Catalina [Catalina.Brown@MyFWC.com]
Sent: Friday, July 23, 2010 2:10 PM
Subject: Fish Kill Hotline Report 7/23/2010

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7/21/2010

Chipley - Washington County - Hotline Call – Washington County Commissioner office staff contacted us for information pertaining to the fish kill in Crystal Lake.
Info Request - (Call ID: pending) - - - (Group Report ID # 15711)

7/22/2010

Chipley - Washington County - Hotline Call – We received a report of several dead bream and bass in Crystal Lake. A description of the kill was in line with a low dissolved oxygen kill. The caller explained that she noted the fish kill after heavy rains in the area. FWH staff gave a general explanation about low dissolved oxygen kills.
Suspected Cause - Low Dissolved Oxygen (Call ID: pending) - - - (Group Report ID # 15711)
Referred the call to Washington County Parks & Recreation

Edgewater-Volusia County - Hotline Call – We received a report of a small fish kill in a private pond near Volco Road. A description of the kill was in line with a low dissolved oxygen kill. The caller explained that she noted the fish gasping for air and that the water level in the pond was extremely low. FWH staff gave a general explanation about low dissolved oxygen kills.
Suspected Cause - Low Dissolved Oxygen (Call ID: pending)

Riverview - Hillsborough County - Hotline Call – We received a report of a large fish kill in a private pond near Silver Creek Drive. The caller provided the number to the HOA and FWH staff contacted them. The property manager explained that her private lake maintenance company had conducted an investigation and found evidence of pollution in the lake.
Suspected Cause - Pollution
Referred the call to DEP (Call ID: pending)

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Panama City - Bay County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center – Two unidentified fish were reported dead near beach access #84. The caller explained that one of the animals appeared to have predator wounds on it. There was no evidence of oil.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: pending)

Panama City - Bay County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center- Thousands of dead croakers were reported dead three miles east of the Panama City Pass. The report initiator explained that the animals were freshly dead, and they were all caught in a large mass of Sargassum grass. FWH staff arranged to have samples delivered next week.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: pending)

The following reports from BP's Horizon call center were not followed up by FWH staff:

DATE	CITY	TYPE	SPECIES	NUMBER DEAD	GPS
07/22/2010	Pensacola	Bird	Gannet	0	
07/22/2010	Pensacola	Bird	Loon	0	lat: 30.325 long: 87.256
07/22/2010	Pensacola	Bird	Cormorant	0	lat: 30:17:60

long: 87:27:54
07/22/2010 Pensacola Bird Loon 0 lat: 30.321233
long: -87.256
07/22/2010 Pensacola Bird Pelicans 5
07/22/2010 Shalimar Bird Pelican 0 lat: 30:00:58
long: 85:43:31
07/22/2010 P C Beach Bird Unknown 1 lat: 30.22777
long: 88.58428
07/22/2010 Fort Mc Coy Bird Vulture 0
07/22/2010 Brandon Bird Ibis 0
07/22/2010 Pensacola Bird Loon 0 lat: 30 17.869
long: 87 19.075
07/22/2010 Milton Bird Pelican 0
07/22/2010 Crestview Bird Unknown 0 lat: 30.331513
long: -87.30106

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Subject: 7/23 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle Strandings and Live...

There were 3 turtles reported / verified today:
FL - 1 dead loggerhead, not oiled
AL - 0
MS - 2 dead Kemp's ridleys, not oiled
LA - 0

There was 1 late report from 7/22:
AL - 1 dead loggerhead, not oiled

The live capture crews were not out on the water today due to the approach of TS Bonnie.

As of last night (7/22) there had been 184 turtles (175 loggerheads, 8 Kemp's ridleys, 1 green turtle) captured in front of the dredges working on the LA berm building project. There have also been 3 turtles killed by the dredges on this project.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Saturday, July 24, 2010 8:54 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Karen.Mitchell; Kristy Long
Subject: 7/24 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

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Sea Turtle Strandings and Live...

There was 1 turtle stranding reported / verified today:
FL - 1 dead Kemp's ridley, not oiled
AL - 0
MS - 0
LA - 0

On-water capture crews were not out today due to weather.

As of last night (7/23) the trawlers working in front of the dredges working on the LA berm building project had captured a total of 194 turtles (185 loggerheads, 8 Kemp's ridleys and 1 green turtle); 189 of the turtles have been relocated away from the dredge site, 3 have been found dead in the trawls and 2 have been debilitated and were taken to rehab. There have also been 3 loggerhead turtles killed by dredges working on this project.

See attached Excel file for details.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Sunday, July 25, 2010 8:22 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Karen.Mitchell; Kristy Long
Subject: 7/25 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle
Strandings and Live...

There were NO turtle strandings reported / verified today.

The live capture teams were not out due to weather.

The trawlers and dredges working on the LA berm building project were inactive due to weather.

Excel file attached - no additions.

Stacy,Brian A

From: Wendy.Teas@noaa.gov
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2010 9:12 PM
To: HoumaICC MMST; MobileICC MMST; Sheryan.Epperly; Bonnie Ponwith; Lisa Belskis; Chris Sasso; Paul Richards; Brian Stacy; _NMFS SER Emergency Consult; Karen.Mitchell; Kristy Long; mharris@ospr.dfg.ca.gov
Subject: 7/26 Strandings Update - Non-oiled and Oiled Turtles - Deepwater Horizon

Attachments: Sea Turtle Strandings and Live Captures - Deepwater Horizon.xls

Sea Turtle Strandings and Live...

There was 1 turtle stranding reported / verified today:

FL - 0
AL - 0
MS - 1 dead unknown species, not oiled
LA - 0

Live capture teams went out today from Venice, Orange Beach and Destin:
Venice - caught 1 green turtle, not oiled, released in an unoiled weedline (not included on spreadsheet since not oiled)
Orange Beach - caught 5 turtles (3 Kemp's ridleys, 2 green turtles), all oiled, taken to Gulf World for rehab
Destin - caught 5 turtles - 1 oiled green turtle was taken to Gulf World for rehab, 3 very lightly oiled turtles (2 green turtles and 1 Kemp's ridley) were cleaned and released in an unoiled weedline, 1 hawksbill had no visible oil and was released in an unoiled weedline (not included on spreadsheet since not oiled)

Trawling and dredging activities on the LA berm building project have not resumed as of 7/26.

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From: Brown, Catalina [Catalina.Brown@MyFWC.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2010 4:33 PM
Subject: Fish Kill Hotline Report 7/27/2010

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7/24/2010

Tampa - Hillsborough County - Hotline Call – We received a request for information pertaining to snakes. We were unable to contact the report initiator with a request for information, because contact information was incorrect.
Info Request - (Call ID: 072410_15744)

Sarasota - Sarasota County - Hotline Call – We received a report of a small fish kill in a private pond near Glenridge Lane. A description of the kill was in line with a low dissolved oxygen kill. The caller explained that the water level in the pond was extremely low due to recent hot temperatures. FWH staff gave a general explanation about low dissolved oxygen kills.
Suspected Cause - Low Dissolved Oxygen (Call ID: 072410_15746)
Referred the call to HOA

Nokomis - Sarasota County - Hotline Call – We received a report of a fish kill in a private pond near Spanish Lake Drive. The caller noted that there have been strong storms in the area over the past several days. FWH staff gave a general explanation about low dissolved oxygen kills.
Suspected Cause - Low Dissolved Oxygen (Call ID: 072410_15747)
Referred the call to HOA

7/25/2010

Port St. Joe - Gulf County - Hotline Call – FWC Panama City staff received a report of a large fish kill, mostly flounder, in St Joe Bay. FWC staff noted that the water had a tannic appearance to it and was colder than usual. FWC LE staff collected several fish samples for toxin analysis that were shipped out today. FWC Molluscan staff will conduct an investigation today.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 072510_15748) - - - (Group Report ID # 15741)

7/26/2010

Satsuma - Putnam County - Hotline Call - A concerned citizen contacted us to find out if there were any potential health issues associated with the consumption of shrimp caught in the SJR.
Info Request - (Call ID: 072610_15738) - - - (Group Report ID # 14951)
Referred the call to Duval County DOH

Tarpon Springs - Pinellas County - Hotline Call – We received a report of a fish kill in a private pond. The caller noted lot of duck weed on the surface. The pond has no aeration fountains.
Suspected Cause - Low Dissolved Oxygen (Call ID: 072610_15740)
Referred the call to HOA

Jacksonville - Duval County - Hotline Call – A concerned citizen contacted to report foam in the SJR. The caller explained that a local news channel gave the FKH number so citizens can report when they observe foam in the SJR.
Info Request - (Call ID: 072610_15742)

Lake Dora - Tavares - Lake County - Hotline Call – We received a report of hundreds of dead catfish in Lake Dora. The caller explained that the fish appeared to be dead for a couple of weeks. The report initiator noted that the water looked normal and observed one fish gasping for air. FWC FWH Eustis staff conducted an investigation on 07/20/2010 and found evidence of a Pseudanabaena bloom.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 072610_15743)

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7/23/2010

St Andrews State Park- Bay County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center – Two red drum were reported dead near St Andrews State Park. There was no evidence of oil on the fish.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 072310_15735)
Destin - Okaloosa County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center- several dead snapper and a few other species were reported dead at Indian Bayou. The report initiator explained that the fish were extremely decomposed and there was no evidence of oil.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 072310_15736)
7/25/2010
Mexico Beach - Bay County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center – One juvenile unidentified shark was reported dead near the Circle Drive Beach Access. No evidence of oil was noted.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 072510_15737)
7/26/2010
Navarre - Escambia County - BP Event Horizon Call-Center – One unidentified fish was reported dead near the Navarre Beach Access #8.
We were unable to contact the report initiator with a request for information, because contact information was incorrect.
Suspected Cause - Unidentified (Call ID: 072610_15739)

The following reports from BP's Horizon call center were not followed up by FWH staff:

Date	City	Type	Species	Number Captured	Number Dead	Beach/ Island	GPS
7/25/2010	Fort Walton Beach	Bird	Unidentified	1	0	National Sea Shore	N/A
7/25/2010	Panama City	Bird	Unidentified	1	0	Sanctuary Beach	N/A
7/26/2010	N/A	Bird	Loon	1	0	Mexico Beach / Crooked Island	Lat: 29.99706 Long: -85.53107
7/26/2010	Eastside	Bird	Tern	1	0	Panama City Beach	N/A
7/26/2010	Pensacola	Bird	Unidentified	0	1	Fort Pickens	N/A
7/26/2010	N/A	Bird	Eastern Meadowlark	0	1	Pensacola Beach	Lat: 30.3432 Long: -87.076083
7/26/2010	Athens	Bird	Sea Gull	1	0	Pensacola NAS	N/A

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Sea Turtle Strandings and Live...

There were 2 strandings reported / verified today:
FL - 0
AL - 1 dead Kemp's ridley, not oiled
MS - 1 dead Kemp's ridley, not oiled
LA - 0

There were 13 oiled turtles captured by live capture crews today:
LA -
Venice crew - 3 turtles (1 green turtle, 2 Kemp's ridleys) all heavily oiled, taken to Audubon for rehab
LDWF bird crew - 1 oiled unidentified species, taken to Audubon for rehab
AL -
Orange Beach crew - 4 oiled Kemp's ridleys, taken to Gulf World for rehab
FL -
Destin crew - 5 turtles (3 green turtles, 2 Kemp's ridleys) - 1 of the green turtles was very lightly oiled and was cleaned and released in an unoiled weedline; the remaining 4 turtles were taken to Gulf World for rehab

It is unknown whether the LA berm project trawling and dredging operations have resumed.

See attached Excel file for details.

Two VoO's were used today:
AL - Ralph Young, Mob#60617
MS - Capt! . Kylie -

Stacy,Brian A

From: James Kejonen [James.Kejonen@noaa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2010 10:35 PM
To: 'Black, Colin (ENRD)'; Ed_Espinoza@fws.gov; Brian.Stacy@noaa.gov
Cc: Stephen_Clark@fws.gov
Subject: RE: On July 29 we will have a Chain of Custody Best Practices meeting at the Lab

Ed, Brian Stacy will be attending this meeting on behalf of NOAA. Do you have an agenda or at least a time the meeting will start? Brian will be traveling 175 miles to the lab prior to the meeting and would like to plan what time he will need to depart.

Thanks,

James

-----Original Message-----
From: Black, Colin (ENRD) [mailto:Colin.Black@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2010 3:32 PM
To: Ed_Espinoza@fws.gov; James Kejonen
Cc: Stephen_Clark@fws.gov
Subject: RE: On July 29 we will have a Chain of Custody Best Practices meeting at the Lab

Thank you, Ed. That sounds great.

James, would you please extend this invitation to Mike Ziccardi and Brian Stacy, who are conducting the NOAA necropsies (I have not yet spoken with them, and will probably do so through you eventually).

Thanks very much,

Colin

-----Original Message-----
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Cc: Stephen_Clark@fws.gov
Subject: On July 29 we will have a Chain of Custody Best Practices meeting at the Lab

Folks from the USGS Madison Lab as well as folks from US Army Corps of Engineers are coming to the Lab to learn Best Practices and procedures related to chain of custody. If the folks doing necropsies for NOAA would
also like to attend, they are certainly welcome. The meeting will only last 1 day.

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