2/14/2014 FDEP Beach Monitoring Report

Survey Area: Escambia County segment FLES2-019 (Pensacola Beach).

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Survey Conditions:

During today's survey the skies were sunny, variable wind @ 0-5 knots, and the seas in the Gulf were 1 foot. The tide was low and rising, with low tide (-0.22 ft) at 7:16 AM this morning and high tide (0.64 ft) at 9:19 PM tonight.



Conditions at Pensacola Beach

Survey Summary:

Today FDEP personnel conducted a post-response monitoring survey in Escambia County Division 2; segment FLES2-019 on Pensacola Beach. The team conducted a partial survey of the segment. The survey was conducted to verify the presence of BP MC252 oil, not to collect all of the observed material. There were numerous SRBs in the swash zone and the ITZ of the segment, with a majority of the material being found in the swash zone. The oil is seen more prevalently in the swash zone than the dry beach. The material in the swash zone is often unaddressed because the USCG responders cannot access the water to identify the oiling. Therefore, this material remains unaddressed unless the OSRO is deployed to clean the segment. A NRC report was filed to document the oiling.

There were 118 SRBs and 0.73 lb of BP MC-252 material removed from the beach by FDEP personnel.

MC-252 Oil Observed

Segment ID	SRBs	SRB Size (cm)	SRB Weight (lb)	NRC Report #	NRC Followup
FLES2-019	118 ¹	1.25 - 5.25	0.73	1073973	TBD

1. Partial survey. Not all SRBs in segment were mitigated

Monitoring Photos:



SRBs partially mitigated from the ITZ (left) and swash zone (right) of FLES2-019 Material on the left represents what is found when only the dry beach is investigated Material on the right represents what is left behind if the swash zone is not investigated

Recommendations:

FLES2-019: Segment has been signed out of the response but continues to yield BP MC-252 material. Recommend further periodic monitoring when weather conditions are favorable for product recovery.

ACRONYMS

ES - Entire Segment

EZ - Entire Zone

FLES - Florida Escambia County

FLGU - Florida Gulf County

FOSC- Federal on Scene Coordinator

HBR- Hard Black Rubbery Tar Ball

LITZ-Lower Intertidal Zone

LTZ- Lower Tidal Zone

MTZ - Middle Tidal Zone

NRC- National Response Center

NPS - National Park Service

SRB – Surface Residue Ball SRP – Surface Residue Patty

UITZ- Upper Intertidal Zone

USTZ - Upper Supra Tidal Zone

FLBA - Florida Bay County

FLOK - Florida Okaloosa County

FLWA - Florida Walton County

GUIS - Gulf Islands National Seashore

ITZ- Intertidal Zone

LSTZ - Lower Supra Tidal Zone

MIT - Mitigated

NAS - Naval Air Station

NOO - No Observable Oil

STZ - Supra Tidal Zone

USCG- United States Coast Guard

UTZ - Upper Tidal Zone

USTZ - Upper Supra Tidal Zone