

NOAA's Regional Preparedness Training (NRPT)

Addressing Public Concerns during Spill Response... sorting fact from fiction during response

June 28 - 29, 2016

Florida Fish and Wildlife Research Institute
St. Petersburg, FL

Day 1 – Tuesday, June 28

8:30 am Welcome and Introductions

- Coastal Response Research Center, Nancy Kinner
- NOAA ORR Gulf of Mexico's Disaster Response Center – Charlie Henry
- Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission– Kathleen O'Keefe

8:45 am Background and Workshop Goals

- Presenter: Monica Wilson, Florida Sea Grant Program

9:00 am Participant Introductions

9:30 am Overview of Scenario

- Presenter: Brad Benggio, NOAA ORR Emergency Response Division, Scientific Support Coordinator

Plenary Sessions: Overview of Oil Spill Response-related Topics (including Public Concerns)

9:45 am Plenary Session I: Response Technologies

- Presenter: Charlie Henry, NOAA Gulf of Mexico Disaster Response Center
Addressing: mechanical recovery, dispersants, and *in situ* burning

10:15 **Break**

10:30 Plenary Session II: Shoreline Protection and Cleanup, including Chemical Counter Measures

- Presenter: Jacqui Michel, Research Planning, Inc. (via WebEx)

11:00 am Plenary Session III: Natural Resources (Fisheries Focus)

- Presenter: Nancy Thompson, Florida Keys Marine Lab
Addressing: ecosystem, economic and recreational impacts

11:30 am Plenary Session IV: Public Health

- Presenter: Robert Dickey, University of Texas Marine Science Institute
Addressing: ingestion/seafood safety, dermal contact, inhalation, mental health/social impacts

12:00 pm **Lunch (on your own)**

1:15 pm Plenary Session V: Other Impacts

- Tourism (Presenter: David Downing, Visit St Petersburg Clearwater)
- Volunteers (Presenter: Lee Fox, Save All Birds)
- Interactions between scientific and response communities (Presenter: Bill Hogarth, Florida Institute of Oceanography)

1:45 pm Charge to Breakout Groups* and Review of Scenario

Breakout Groups (5 groups divided into these focus areas):

- A. Response Technologies (*in situ* burn, dispersants, mechanical recovery)
- B. Shoreline Protection & Cleanup
- C. Natural Resources (fisheries focus)
- D. Human Dimensions: Public Health/Tourism/Volunteers

*All groups will address*1) public concerns and 2) interactions between scientists and response communities for their specific topic.

2:00 pm Breakout Group Session I: What will the public want to know /ask about the topic?

3:30 pm Group Reports

4:30 pm **Adjourn**

Day 2 - Wednesday, June 29

8:30 am Recap & Recalibrate

9:15 am Breakout Group Session II: What is known/uncertain/ area of disagreement/knowable with regard to these public concerns?

10:30 am **Break**

10:45 am Group Reports

11:45-1:00 **Lunch (on your own)**

1:00 pm Breakout Group Session III: How can these public concerns be addressed?

2:30 pm **Break**

2:45 pm Group Reports

3:45 pm Wrap-Up and Path Forward

4:30 pm **Adjourn**