

Mississippi Marine Debris Emergency Response Guide: Field Reference Guide

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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

This Field Reference Guide condenses information contained in the Mississippi Marine Debris Emergency Response Guide: Comprehensive Guidance Document (Guide) to facilitate use during emergency response operations. While the Comprehensive Guidance Document serves as a complete reference for waterway debris response in Mississippi, the Field Reference Guide includes the most pertinent information for quick reference in the field and during times of crisis. Both documents and subsequent versions will be posted on the NOAA Marine Debris Program website at https://marinedebris.noaa.gov/.

The purpose of these documents is to improve preparedness for response and recovery operations following an acute waterway debris incident in coastal Mississippi. The term acute waterway debris incident is used to describe an incident—either natural or anthropogenic—that results in the release of large amounts of waterway debris. The *Comprehensive Guidance Document* and complementary *Field Reference Guide* outline existing response structures at the local, state, and federal levels to facilitate a coordinated, well-managed, and immediate response to waterway debris incidents impacting the state of Mississippi. Organization roles and responsibilities are presented in a consolidated one-page <u>flowchart</u> which functions as a decision tree for waterway debris response. Additionally, organization jurisdictions are presented in a <u>map</u>, which is also available <u>online</u>. The document also includes an overview of permitting and compliance requirements that must be met before debris removal work begins. This information is synthesized in a one-page reference <u>handout</u>.

1.2 Scope of Guide

The *Comprehensive Guidance Document* and *Field Reference Guide* address potential acute waterway debris incidents affecting Mississippi's coastal areas with a focus on Hancock, Harrison, and Jackson counties. Throughout these documents, the term waterway debris is used in lieu of the term marine debris. In 33 U.S.C. § 1956(3), marine debris is defined as any persistent solid material that is

manufactured or processed and directly or indirectly, intentionally or unintentionally, disposed of or abandoned into the marine environment or Great Lakes. Although vegetative debris is not included in the legal definition for marine debris, stakeholders have identified it as a common debris stream of concern following natural disasters. To account for both marine debris and vegetative debris in this document, the term waterway debris is used and includes any solid material, including but not limited to vegetative debris and debris exposed to or that has the potential to release oil, hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants, that enters a waterway following an acute incident and poses a threat to the natural or man-made environment. This may include shoreline and wetland debris and debris in some inland, non-tidal waterways.

2 Mississippi Waterway Debris Response Flowchart

The "Mississippi Waterway Debris Response Flowchart" on the following page provides a visual one-page representation of organization roles and responsibilities. The flowchart functions as a decision tree for waterway debris response with color-coded endpoints. Yellow endpoints represent response to waterway debris that is exposed to or has the potential to release oil, hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants. Blue endpoints represent response to waterway debris that is not exposed to and does not have the potential to release oil, hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants. Endpoints within the green shaded area indicate that response may occur under Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act) authorities and/or funding.

The intent of the flowchart is to outline the most likely response structure with the understanding that flexibility is an inherent component of an effective response.

Waterway Debris

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Mississippi Waterway Debris Response Flowchart

ACP – Area Contingency Plan
DoD – Denartment

MDEQ leads response

EPA – U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
ESF – Emergency Support Function

EWP - Emergency Watershed Protection FEMA – Federal Emergency Management Agency NRC – National Response Center

MDMR - MS Department of Marine Resources

MDEQ - MS Department of Environmental Quality MEMA – MS Emergency Management Agency

NCP – National Oil & Hazardous Substances Contingency Plan NPS - National Park Service

NRCS - Natural Resources Conservation Service RP - Responsible Party (Owner, Operator, Lessee) USACE - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

USCG - U.S. Coast Guard

USFWS - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

substances, pollutants, or contaminants Response to waterway debris that is not exposed to and does not have the potential to release oil, nazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants

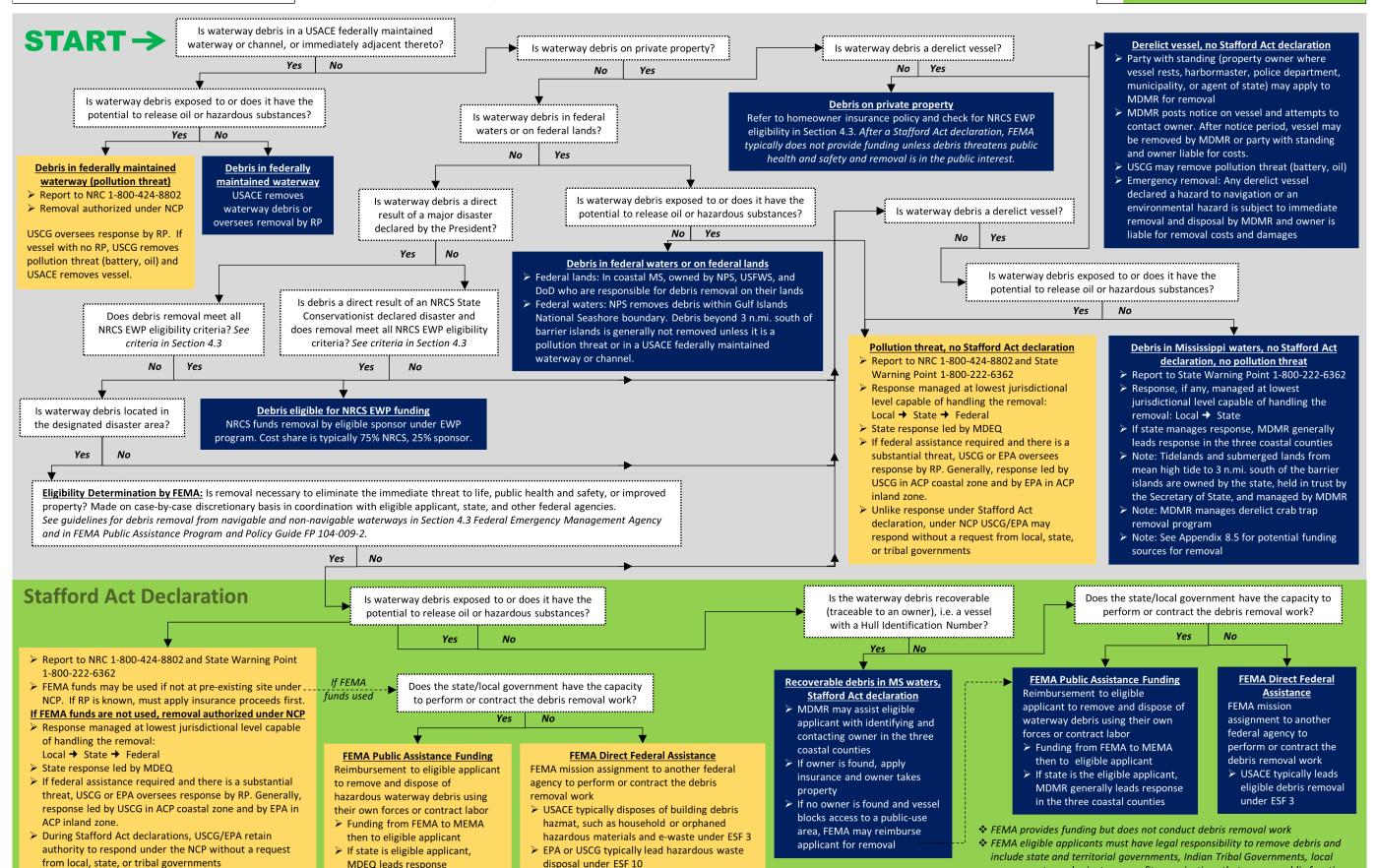
governments, and private nonprofit organizations that serve a public function.

❖ Public Assistance cost share is typically 75% FEMA, 12.5% state, 12.5% applicant

Indicates response may occur under Stafford Act authorities and/or funds

Response to waterway debris that is exposed to

or has the potential to release oil, hazardous

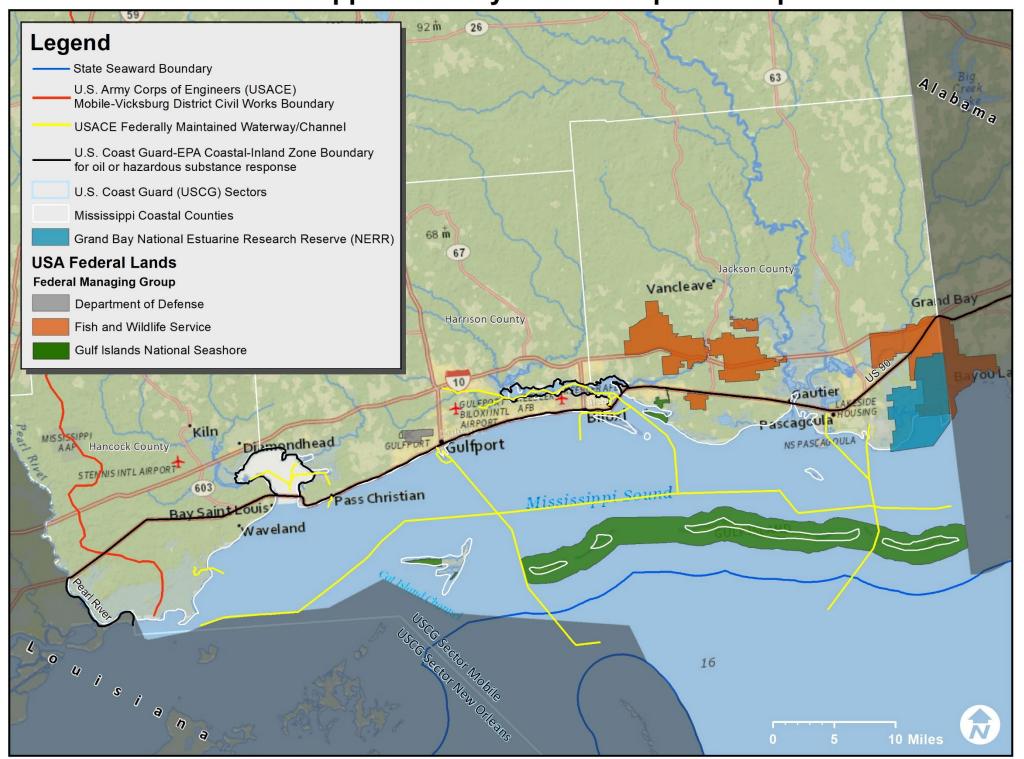


3 Organization Jurisdictions and Capabilities

3.1 Mississippi Waterway Debris Response Map

The "Mississippi Waterway Debris Response Map" on the following page displays relevant agency jurisdiction boundaries in Mississippi's three coastal counties. After an acute waterway debris incident, the agency (or agencies) with jurisdiction and authority for removing debris will vary depending on where the debris is located. This map includes information that stakeholders identified as important in determining jurisdiction within the state. A dynamic version of the response map is also available <u>online</u> in NOAA's Environmental Response Management Application (ERMA).

Mississippi Waterway Debris Response Map



3.2 Response Capabilities

	Yes - Verified In-house Capability Contract - Contracted capability	MDEQ	MDMR	MSU-ES /MS- AL Sea Grant Consortium	BSEE ¹	FEMA Region IV ²	NOAA	NRCS	USACE	USCG Sector Mobile	U.S. EPA Region IV ¹¹	USFWS
	Aerial photography and video	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-	-	Yes	Contract	-
Technology	IT support during response (server/storage space for data and information sharing)	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-	Yes	-	Yes	-
chn	Remote sensing (LIDAR)	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-	Contract	-	Contract	-
Te	Sub-Surface Detection: Multi-beam, side scan, and side scan sonar	-	Yes	-	-	-	Yes	-	Contract	-	Contract	-
	Aircraft	-	ı	ı	-	-	Yes	-	-	Yes	Contract	-
	Boom	-	1	ī	-	-	-	-	Contract	Contract	Contract	-
Ħ	Heavy equipment: Barge, Self-loading barge, Crane, Knuckleboom Crane, Environmental clamshell dredge, Excavator	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Contract	Contract	Contract	-
me	Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-	Contract	-
Equipment	Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV)/Surveillance drones with FAA trained operator	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-	Yes⁵	-	Contract	-
	Vessels	-	Yes	-	-	-	Yes	-	Contract	Yes	Contract	Yes
	Other specialized equipment that cannot be readily procured immediately following a debris incident (from heavy equipment to electronics)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Contract	Yes	Contract	Yes
	Communication/public information expertise (dedicated spokesperson/Public Information Officer)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	Yes	Yes	-
ā	Compliance and permitting expertise	Yes	Yes	-	-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	Yes
ifi	Data/information management capabilities	-	-	Yes	-	-	-	-	Yes	-	Yes	-
e/Expertise	Debris modeling expertise (volume, transport, hindcasting, etc.)	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-	Yes	-	Contract	-
Workforce/	Dedicated waterway/marine debris staff (responders, response team, regional coordination, etc.)	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-	Yes	Yes	-	-
Nor	Dive support (scientific, technical, commercial, etc.)	-	Yes	ı	-	-	Yes	-	-	Contract	Contract	-
	Environmental or cultural resource expertise (location of sensitive areas, endangered species present, etc.)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

	Yes - In-house Capability	MDEQ	MDMR	MSU-ES/MS- AL Sea Grant Consortium	BSEE ¹	FEMA Region IV ²	NOAA	NRCS	USACE	USCG Sector Mobile	U.S. EPA Region IV ¹¹	USFWS
	Contract - Contracted capability Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping and			Consortium						Modific		
pen	plotting of imagery	-	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	Yes	-	Yes ⁶	-	Yes	-
Expertise continued	Hazardous substance and/or oiled debris expertise	Yes	-	-	-	-	Yes	-	Yes	Yes	Yes	-
	Incident Command System (ICS) trained staff	Yes	-	-	-	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	Yes	Yes	-
	Local expertise	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
per	Post-storm damage assessment teams	-	-	Yes	-	Yes	-	-	-	Yes	Yes	-
	Technical expertise for removal operations (techniques, best management practices, etc.)	-	-	Yes	-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ⁷	Yes	Yes	-
kfo	Volunteer manpower/Volunteer coordination	-	-	Yes	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-	Yes
Workforce,	Waterway management authority (law enforcement officers)	-	Yes	-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-	-
	Contracting: Contract authority and oversight capabilities	Yes	Yes	-	-	-	Yes	-	Yes	Yes ⁹	Yes	-
	Contracting: Pre-approved removal contractors	Yes	-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	Yes ⁹	-	-
	Contracting: Pre-event contracts and staged agreements in place	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	Yes ⁹	Yes	-
	Docks for wet storage of vessels	-	Yes	-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes ¹⁰	-	-
	Facility suitable for establishing an emergency operations center	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-	Yes	Yes	-	-
	Funding for waterway debris removal	-	Yes	-	-	-	Yes ⁴	Yes	Yes ⁸	Yes	Yes	-
S	Pre-designated landfill/disposal sites	Yes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Logistics	Research program established to analyze long-term trends, impacts, etc.	-	-	Yes	-	-	Yes	-	Yes	-	-	-
	Staging/Off-Loading: Land with water access to stage, offload debris (has not been evaluated for suitability or officially pre-designated)	-	Yes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Staging/Off-Loading: Pre-designated staging, off- loading and special handling areas (already evaluated for suitability)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-	-
	Staging area for dry storage of vessels	-	Yes	-	-	-	Yes	-	Yes	Yes ¹⁰	-	Yes
	Other logistical support, including fuel, housing, food, dumpsters, roll-off containers, trucks to haul debris, etc.	-	Yes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Contract	-

Note: Capabilities which could be used during waterway debris response in Mississippi were either identified through research or were self-reported by an organization. Organizations were asked to indicate whether capabilities were in-house or were contracted through a third party. Footnotes refer to additional information provided for a particular capability. While not included in this table, local jurisdictions may also possess capabilities listed above and should be included in all phases of response to maximize utilization of local expertise and resources.

¹ BSEE	BSEE may have other capabilities, but agency mission does not directly support debris response.
² FEMA	Capabilities contingent upon a Presidential major disaster declaration. FEMA capable of mission-assigning other federal
	support to increase capabilities. FEMA has interactive live collection and mapping capabilities and a template wet debris
	collector map for Region IV.
³ NOAA	Coordinates marine mammal and sea turtle stranding response and reviews proposed debris removal activities for compliance
	with ESA and Magnuson-Stevens Fisheries Conservation and Management Act
⁴ NOAA	Funding through grant program and possible Congressional supplemental funding
5USACE	Surveillance drone housed at USACE District, Jacksonville
⁶ USACE	Have GIS cadre for response
⁷ USACE	Have planning response teams
8USACE	Funding in place for federal projects only
9USCG	USCG contracts only
¹⁰ USCG	Limited space
¹¹ EPA	EPA routinely conducts removal operations of hazardous substances and oil, including debris. EPA resources would be tasked
	by the EPA personnel operating in the Unified Command or by EPA's FOSC/Duty Officer in Region IV.

4 Permitting and Compliance Requirements in Mississippi

The "Permitting and Compliance for Waterway Debris Removal in Mississippi" handout on the following page synthesizes permitting and compliance requirements that must be met before waterway debris removal operations begin. The top portion of the handout outlines the process to follow to stay in compliance, while the bottom portion highlights specific state and federal agency requirements with general contact information.

Permitting and Compliance for Waterway Debris Removal in Mississippi

- In Mississippi's coastal zone (Hancock, Harrison, and Jackson Counties), a MS Department of Marine Resources (MDMR) coastal wetland permit and/or U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) permit may be required if debris removal involves dredging, the discharge of dredge or fill material, or involves structures or work impacting the navigability of a waterway.
- MDMR and USACE have a joint permit application process.
- The <u>lead federal agency</u> is responsible for compliance with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), federal coastal consistency, and consulting with tribal and resource agencies including Mississippi Department of Archives and History (MDAH), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) as required.

Compliance process when permit is required

Federally Funded Removal

(for example, FEMA funding under Stafford Act declaration)

Coordinate with federal funding

agency regarding environmental

compliance requirements before

applying for MDMR-USACE permit

No Federal Funding

(state, local, or privately funded removal)

Federal Agency Coordination Permit Ap

Complete and submit "Joint Application and Notification" form to MDMR who either issues the joint USACE general permit or distributes the application to USACE and both agencies issue

Permit(s) Issued

Review all permit conditions including MDMR and resource agency requirements. Generally, USACE will not issue a permit until MDMR issues any required state authorization.

Debris Removal Begins

All permit conditions and MDMR and resource agency requirements must be followed during debris removal activities

- Lead federal agency is responsible for NEPA compliance, federal coastal consistency, and consultations with MDAH, USFWS, and NOAA as required.
- FEMA is the lead federal agency under Stafford Act declaration.
- Debris removal under Stafford Act declaration may trigger emergency permitting process.

As the lead federal agency, USACE will ensure NEPA compliance, federal consistency with Mississippi's Coastal Management Program, and consult with MDAH, USFWS, and NOAA as required.

About NEPA

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires federal agencies to follow a specific planning process to ensure environmental consequences of a federally funded action are considered.

Agency Requirements and Contact Numbers

MS Department of Marine Resources (MDMR)

Wetlands Permitting
Program
228-523-4106

MS Department of

Archives and History

(MDAH)

Historic Preservation

601-576-6940

- Serves as the initial agency to submit a permit application in Hancock, Harrison, and Jackson Counties
- Coastal wetland permit may be required if the activity involves dredging, the discharge of dredge or fill material, or involves structures or work impacting the navigability of a waterway
- MDMR forwards permit application to appropriate agencies including USACE if required
- For minor activities at or below the watermark of ordinary high tide, MDMR may issue the joint USACE Mobile District general permit. MDMR does not currently issue permits on behalf of USACE Vicksburg District.
- For major activities not covered by general permit guidelines, a separate permit is issued by MDMR and by USACE
- Serves as the State Historic Preservation Office and ensures compliance with National Historic Preservation Act and Antiquities Law of Mississippi
- Consultation with MDAH required if waterway debris response involves federal permits and/or funding (USACE permit, FEMA funding, etc.) to evaluate whether activities affect historic or cultural sites included in or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places
- State agencies, local governments, and political subdivisions must notify MDAH prior to public construction or improvement projects and a permit may be required

MS Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) 601-961-5171

- Develops and issues emergency debris removal, management, and disposal guidance
- Authorizes the siting and operation of temporary emergency debris management sites by agencies and organizations that manage disaster debris
- Reviews and evaluates debris removal permit applications for impacts to wetlands, streams, and open waters

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

Mobile District Regulatory Division 251-690-2658

Vicksburg District Regulatory Division 601-631-7071

- Permit(s) that may be required for response work in waterways and wetlands
 - MSGP-10 Debris Removal (Mobile District) for debris removal from any waterway for navigation, drainage, and/or pollution control
 - NWP-3 Maintenance for removal/maintenance of culverts, sediments or debris accumulated around outfalls, bridges, etc.
 - NWP-22 Removal of Vessels for removal of wrecked, abandoned, or disabled vessels or other man-made obstructions to navigation
 - NWP-37 Emergency Watershed Protection & Rehabilitation for work done under NRCS's Emergency Watershed Protection program
 - NWP-38 Cleanup Hazardous/Toxic Waste for containment, stabilization, or removal of hazardous or toxic waste not under Superfund

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) ESA: 727-824-5312 EFH: 409-766-3699

- Consultation required if waterway debris response involves federal permits and/or funding (USACE permit, FEMA funding, etc.) to comply with:
 - Endangered Species Act (ESA) to ensure actions do not jeopardize the continued existence of any listed endangered or threatened marine species or adversely modify designated critical habitat
 - Magnuson-Stevens Fisheries Conservation and Management Act to ensure actions do not adversely affect Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)

Mississippi Ecological Services Field Office (MSFO) 601-965-4900

- Consultation with MSFO required if waterway debris response involves federal permits and/or funding (USACE permit, FEMA funding, etc.) to comply with:
 - Endangered Species Act (ESA) to ensure actions do not adversely modify designated critical habitat or jeopardize the continued existence of any listed endangered or threatened land or freshwater species and certain marine species such as manatee
 - Coastal Barrier Resources Act to ensure actions do not encourage development on coastal barriers along Mississippi's coast

5 Contact Information

Note: Contact information is only included for organizations who have provided and/or approved information in the following tables.

Local/State Agencies

Agency	Division	Topic	Point of Contact	Phone	Email
County Emergency Management Agencies	-	-	See https://www.msema.org/county-ema/ for a complete list of county emergency management contacts	-	-
MC December of		Notice and District Boson and the Aut	Main Number	601-576-6940	-
MS Department of Archives and History (MDAH)	Historic Preservation Division	National Historic Preservation Act and Antiquities Law of Mississippi compliance	Barry White, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer	601-576-6953	bwhite@mdah.ms.gov
(MDAII)		compliance	Cindy Carter-Davis, Chief Archaeologist	601-576-6945	ccarterdavis@mdah.ms.gov
	-	-	Main Number	601-961-5171	-
	Office of Pollution Control,	ESF 10 Oil and Hazardous	Nick Hatten	601-961-5171	nhatten@mdeq.ms.gov
MS Department of	Emergency Services Division	Material Response lead	Cody Fisher, Chief, Emergency Services Division	601-961-5065	cfisher@mdeq.ms.gov
Environmental Quality (MDEQ)	Office of Pollution Control, Field Services Division, South Regional Office	Planning and coordination	Barbara Viskup, Supervisor	228-432-3452	bviskup@mdeq.ms.gov
	Office of Pollution Control,	Debris management and disposal	Ethan Mayeu, Solid Waste Compliance Branch Chief	601-961-5726	emayeu@mdeq.ms.gov
	Waste Division		Trent Jones, Chief, Waste Division	601-961-5726	tjones@mdeq.ms.gov
	Office of Coastal Resources Management	Coastal Preserves Bureau – response in MS Coastal Preserves	James Davis, Coastal Preserves Bureau Director	228-523-4115	james.davis@dmr.ms.gov
		Wetlands and Permitting Bureau – permitting and compliance	Front Desk	228-523-4106	jennifer.stout@dmr.ms.gov
	Wallagement		Willa Brantley, Director Bureau of Wetlands Permitting	228-523-4108	willa.brantley@dmr.ms.gov
MS Department of	Office of Finance and	Derelict Vessel Program	Russell Weatherly, Derelict Vessel Removal Coordinator	228-374-5000	russell.weatherly@dmr.ms.gov
Marine Resources (MDMR)	Administration	Grand Bay NERR – response in Grand Bay NERR	Dr. Ayesha Gray, Manager	228-475-7047	ayesha.gray@dmr.ms.gov
(Tidelands Program	Sonja Slater, Tidelands Coordinator	228-523-4138	sonja.slater@dmr.ms.gov
	Office of Marker Fishering	Mississippi Derelict Crab Trap	Jason Saucier, Director Shrimp and Crab Bureau	228-523-4038	jason.saucier@dmr.ms.gov
	Office of Marine Fisheries	Removal Program	Traci Floyd, Director Marine Fisheries	228-523-4068	traci.floyd@dmr.ms.gov
	Office of Marine Patrol Report boating emergencies		Marine Patrol Dispatch	1-844-WE-R-DMR (1-844-937-6367) or 228-523-4134	-

State Agencies Continued

Agency	Division	Topic	Point of Contact	Phone	Email
		Report emergencies including hazardous material, marine, petroleum or weather incidents	State Warning Point	1-800-222-6362	-
	-		MEMA Watch Desk	601-933-6671	watchdesk@mema.ms.gov
	Office of Preparedness		Loretta Thorpe, Preparedness Office Director	601-933-6601	lthorpe@mema.ms.gov
MS Emergency	Office of Prepareulless	Planning and coordination	Thomas Harris, Southern District Bureau Director	601-933-6370	tharris@mema.ms.gov
Management Agency	Office of Public		Mike Siler, Public Assistance Office Director	601-933-6886	msiler@mema.ms.gov
(MEMA)	Assistance		Diane Sager, Public Assistance Bureau Director	228-594-3343	dsager@mema.ms.gov
	Office of Response and Radiological Emergency Preparedness		Andrew McMillin, Operations Section Chief	601-933-6716	amcmillin@mema.ms.gov
MS Secretary of State's Office	-	Trustee of tidelands and submerged lands	Raymond Carter, Assistant Secretary of State - Gulf Coast	228-432-0541	raymond.carter@sos.ms.gov
MS State University Extension Service (MSU-ES)	Coastal Research and Extension Center	Mississippi Coastal Cleanup Program	Eric Sparks	228-388-4710	eric.sparks@msstate.edu

Federal Agencies

Agency	Division	Topic	Point of Contact	Phone	Email
Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE)	Marine Trash and Debris Program	Planning and coordination	James Sinclair, Marine Ecologist	504-736-2789	james.sinclair@bsee.gov
Fodoral Emergency		Funding following presidential disaster declaration	Contact local emergency management agency. See https://www.msema.org/county-ema/ for a complete list of contacts.	-	-
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)	Region IV	Technical expertise for removal operations and environmental, compliance, and permitting expertise	Scott Fletcher, Sr. Environmental Protection Specialist	202-322-3924 (C)	scott.fletcher@fema.dhs.gov
		Environmental and historic preservation	Rose Gutowski, Regional Unified Federal Review (UFR) Coordinator	202-655-8714 (C)	rose.gutowski@fema.dhs.gov
		Emergency ESA/EFH consultation	-	-	nmfs.ser.emergency.consult@noaa.gov
National Oceanic and Atmospheric			David Dale	727-551-5736	david.dale@noaa.gov
Administration	National Marine	EFH information	January Murray	225-380-0091	january.murray@noaa.gov
(NOAA)	Fisheries Service (NMFS or NOAA Fisheries)		Rusty Swafford	409-766-3699	rusty.swafford@noaa.gov
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page		ESA information	Joe Cavanaugh, Consultation Biologist	-	joseph.cavanaugh@noaa.gov

Federal Agencies Continued

Agency	Division	Topic	Point of Contact	Phone	Email
continued from	NOS, Office of Coast Survey	Navigation preparation and response	Tim Osborn, Regional Navigation Manager – Central Gulf Coast	337-291-2111	tim.osborn@noaa.gov
National Oceanic and Atmospheric	NOS, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division	Potential to release oil or hazardous substance	Adam Davis, Scientific Support Coordinator for USCG District 8 and backup for RRT IV	206-549-7759 (C) 206-526-4911 (24hr)	adam.davis@noaa.gov
Administration (NOAA)	NOS, Office of Response and Restoration, Marine Debris Program	Planning and coordination for marine debris issues	Caitlin Wessel, Gulf of Mexico Regional Coordinator	251-544-5013 (O) 251-222-0276 (C)	caitlin.wessel@noaa.gov
			Darrell Echols, Superintendent	850-934-2600	darrell_echols@nps.gov
National Park	Gulf Islands National Seashore	Response in Gulf Islands National Seashore	James Haynes, Biologist	228-230-4105	james_haynes@nps.gov
Service (NPS)	ocusiiore	Seasile:	Amber Rhodes, Environmental Protection Specialist	-	amber_rhodes@nps.gov
	-	Response on NPS-owned lands	C. Anna Toline, Marine Scientist, Oceans Program Coordinator	843-518-1939	catherine_toline@nps.gov
Natural	Hancock County Soil and Water Conservation District	EWP information – Hancock County	-	601-255-3225 ext. 3	-
Resource Conservation	Harrison County Field Office	EWP information – Harrison County	-	228-831-0881 ext. 3	-
Service (NRCS)	Jackson County Soil and Water Conservation District	EWP information – Jackson County	-	228-826-2482 ext. 3	-
	Emergency Operations	Mississippi Valley Division	Matt Tate, Debris Program Manager	251-802-2011	jacob.m.tate@usace.army.mil
		Vicksburg District – Primary District following Stafford Act Declaration	Robert Hess, Chief Emergency Management	601-631-5759	robert.p.hess@usace.army.mil
		Mobile District – Support	Ashley Leflore, Chief Emergency Management	251-694-3760	ashley.leflore@usace.army.mil
U.S. Army Corps	Navigation	Mobile District – Federally maintained waterway or channel	Nate Lovelace, Operations Division	251-694-3713	nathan.d.lovelace@usace.army.mil
of Engineers			Chad Bounds, Chief of Navigation Section	601-631-5267	chad.r.bounds2@usace.army.mil
(USACE)		Vicksburg District – Federally maintained waterway or channel	Joel Brown, Chief of River Operations	601-631-5600	joel.t.brown@usace.army.mil
		manitainea materina, er enamier	John Mark Henderson	601-631-7222	john.m.henderson@usace.army.mil
	Regulatory Program	Mobile District – Compliance and permitting	-	251-690-2658	cesam-rd@sam.usace.army.mil
	negulatory Program	Vicksburg District – Compliance and permitting	-	601-631-7071	regulatory@usace.army.mil
U.S. Coast Guard	-	Report potential to release oil or hazardous substance	National Response Center (NRC)	800-424-8802	-
(USCG)			Dee Oos, Area Contingency Plan Program Manager	504-671-2233	damara.a.oos@uscg.mil
continued on	District 8	Planning and coordination	Mike Sams, Incident Management Preparedness Advisor	504-671-2234	michael.k.sams@uscg.mil
next page			Adam Tyndale, Response Equipment Coordinator	504-671-2063	adam.j.tyndale@uscg.mil

Federal Agencies Continued

Agency	Division	Topic	Point of Contact	Phone	Email
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previous page	District 8	Planning and coordination	CWO Brandon Todd, DRAT	504-460-5002	brandon.l.todd@uscg.mil
			USCG Sector Mobile Command Center	251-441-5976	-
		Capability contact	Station Gulfport	228-868-3743	-
U.S. Coast Guard			Station Pascagoula	228-769-5601	-
(USCG)	District 8, Sector Mobile	Planning and coordination	LCDR Erica Brewton, Emergency Management Force Readiness Chief	251-441-5694	erica.m.brewton@uscg.mil
			LT Victoria Lacefield-Rodriguez, Incident Management Division Chief	251-441-6231 (O) 251-447-7131 (C)	victoria.e.lacefield-rodriguez@uscg.mil
			LT Andrew Anderson, Waterways Management	251-382-8653	andrew.s.anderson@uscg.mil
			LTJG Nina Lennon, Emergency Management Specialist	251-441-6698	nina.j.lennon@uscg.mil
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