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Creating an atmosphere of awareness and preparedness in Santa Rosa County for the safety of all our citizens

County activation level: **2**

State activation level: **1**

Communication: Weekly Update

Phone: 983.5352

Web page: www.santarosa.fl.gov/emergency

Email: SRCUpdates@santarosa.fl.gov

National Threat Advisory:

ELEVATED



Significant Risk Of Terrorist Attacks

For all updates on county preparedness and response to the Deepwater Horizon incident visit www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill

<http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill/documents/DeepwaterHealthInfo.pdf>

As part of Florida's ongoing efforts to help ensure the health and safety of individuals regarding the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, the Florida Department of Health (DOH) is reminding Florida's residents and visitors to avoid contact with oil products such as tar balls and tar mats.

"At this time, there are no indications of health risks to Florida residents and visitors due to the Deepwater Horizon incident," said State Surgeon General Ana Viamonte Ros, M.D., M.P.H. "DOH and DEP are closely monitoring health and environmental impacts to Florida and county health departments will issue an advisory if conditions become unsafe."

- If residents or visitors see tar or oiled debris on the beach, **DO NOT PICK IT UP**. Report it to the Florida State Warning Point by calling #DEP from a cell phone or **1-877-2-SAVE-FL** (1-877-272-8335).
- For most people, an occasional brief contact with small amounts oil, while not recommended, will do no harm.
- However, some people are sensitive to chemicals, including hydrocarbons found in the crude oil and petroleum products. They may experience skin or eye irritation even from brief contact with oil.
- In general, contact with oil should be avoided. If contact occurs, wash the area with soap or grease-cutting dishwashing detergents and water. DOH discourages the use of gasoline, kerosene or other solvents to clean oil from skin.
- Volunteers helping with response efforts are not to engage in direct contact with oil and oil-contaminated products such as tar balls, tar patty, tar mats, and oil sheen.
- Only qualified community responders should handle oil products and oil-contaminated materials.

Residents and visitors wanting to help with response efforts including Coast Watch, pre-oil landfall beach cleanups and other activities are encouraged to register with Volunteer Florida at www.volunteerfloridadisaster.org.

<http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/roads/closures.html>

Date: 06/02/2010

Tidewater Drive

Closed

Tidewater Dr. in Navarre will be closed Wednesday, 6/2/10 for drainage work between address 6815 and Sound Retreat beginning at 8:30 a.m. Detour will be Tidewater to Lighthouse to Hwy 98.

Date: 05/21/2010

Pawnee Drive **Closed**

Pawnee Drive in Navarre will be closed Friday 5/28/2010, Saturday 5/29/2010, and Monday 5/31/2010 between Sunset Drive and Deer Lane for drainage work.

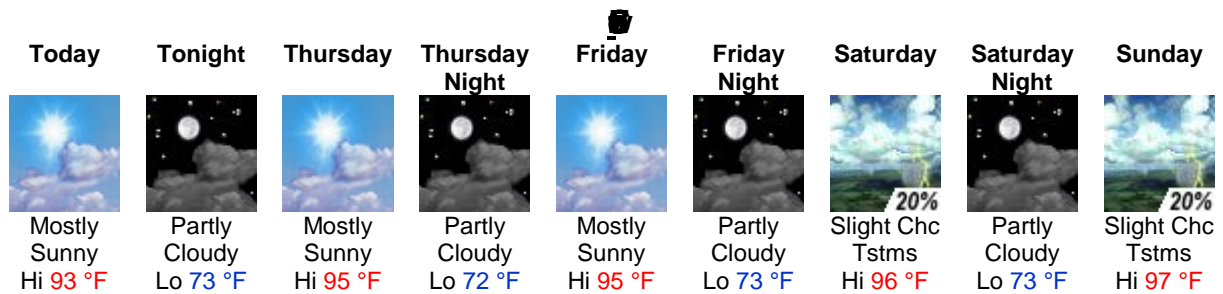
Date: 02/08/2010

Mary Ann Circle **Closed**

Mary Ann Circle in the Orion Lake Subdivision in Navarre will be closed until further notice for drainage work. Detour is around the block.

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None

Tourist Development South End Committee	Jun 9	9:00 a.m. Visitor's Center 8543 Navarre Pkwy, Navarre
Building Code Board of Adjustments	Jun 9	2:30 p.m. Conference Room 6051 Old Bagdad Hwy, Milton
Commission Regular	Jun 10	9:00 a.m. Watch & Listen to the Meeting
Budget Workshop	Jun 10	1:30 p.m. Watch & Listen to the Meeting
Local Planning Board	Jun 10	6:00 p.m. Agenda Watch & Listen to the Meeting
Berrydale Fire Dept	Jun 10	7:00 p.m. 1300 Highway 87 N., Jay
Jay Fire Dept	Jun 10	7:00 p.m. 12781 Hwy 89, Jay
Skyline Fire Dept	Jun 10	7:00 p.m. 6424 Highway 87 N., Milton
Harold Fire Dept	Jun 14	7:00 p.m. 6001 Miller Bluff Rd., Milton



<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>

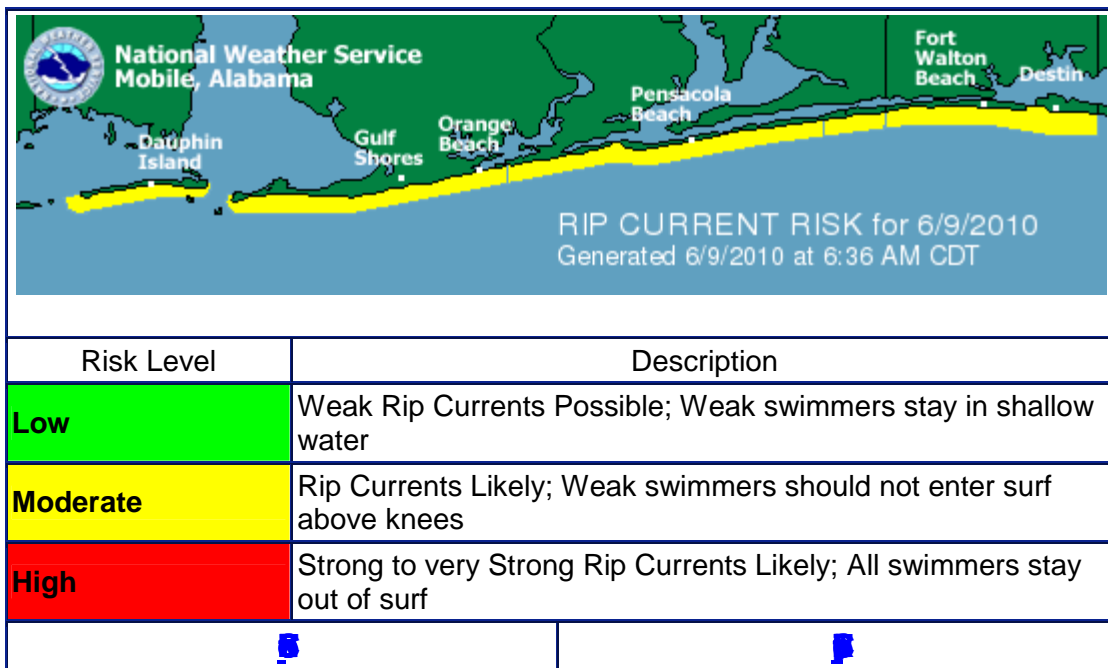
<http://www.weather.gov/forecasts/wfo/sectors/mob.php#tabs>

This map shows forecasts normally updated every hour. This is a product of the [National Digital Forecast Database](#), produced by NOAA's National Weather Service.

Readings are from published date, for daily readings visit: <http://www.srh.noaa.gov/alr/index.shtml>

Yellow River (at Milligan)– Current Level 2.91 ft	Blackwater (at Baker) – Current Level 2.30 ft
Flood Categories (in feet) Major Flood Stage: 18 Moderate Flood Stage: 15 Flood Stage: 12 Action Stage: 7	Flood Categories (in feet) Major Flood Stage: 24 Moderate Flood Stage: 16 Flood Stage: 11 Action Stage: 6
Big Coldwater (Milton)– 3.40 ft	Escambia River (at Century) – 6.96 ft
Flood Categories (in feet) Major Flood Stage: 23 Moderate Flood Stage: 15 Flood Stage: 10 Action Stage: 5	Flood Categories (in feet) Major Flood Stage: 37 Moderate Flood Stage: 25 Flood Stage: 17 Action Stage: 12

The **Keetch-Byram drought index (KBDI)** is a continuous reference scale for estimating the dryness of the soil and duff layers. The index increases for each day without rain (the amount of increase depends on the daily high temperature) and decreases when it rains. The scale ranges from 0 (no moisture deficit) to 800. The range of the index is determined by assuming that there is 8 inches of moisture in a saturated soil that is readily available to the vegetation. For information on burning safely, visit the Department of Forestry’s web site at <http://www.fl-dof.com/>, or call the Division of Forestry at 957-6145.





Navarre CERT to Hold Disaster Preparedness Fair

Saturday, June 26, in Conjunction with Ham Radio Field Day

Navarre, FL – Listen to the music of Coastal Rhythm Session, build yourself a hot dog, and get information from area business and organizations about being prepared for (and recovering from) disasters., all while having a pleasant afternoon at Navarre Park. On Saturday, June 26, from noon until 5:00pm, the Navarre Community Emergency Response Team will hold a Disaster Preparedness Fair. In addition to providing information and entertainment to the community, this event is a fundraiser for Navarre CERT.



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<http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/emergency/index.html>

Visit <http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/oilspill/index.html> for all information on the oil spill

NOAA's Response - Hurricanes and the Oil Spill

What will happen to a hurricane that runs through this oil slick?

Most hurricanes span an enormous area of the ocean (200-300 miles), far wider than the current size of the spill. If the slick remains small in comparison to a typical hurricane's general environment and size, the anticipated impact on the hurricane would be minimal.

What will the hurricane do to the oil slick in the Gulf?

The high winds and seas will mix and “weather” the oil which can help accelerate the biodegradation process. The high winds may distribute oil over a wider area, but it is difficult to model exactly where the oil may be transported. Storms' surges may carry oil into the coastline and inland as far as the surge reaches. Since a hurricane's winds rotate counter-clockwise, a storm passing to the west of the oil could drive it toward the coast, but one passing east of it could drive the oil away from the coast.

Will the oil slick help or hurt a storm from developing in the Gulf?

Evaporation from the sea surface fuels tropical storms and hurricanes. Over relatively calm water, an oil slick could suppress evaporation if the layer is thick enough, by not allowing contact of the water to the air. At moderate wind speeds, such as those found in approaching tropical storms and hurricanes, a thin layer of oil such as is the case with the current slick would likely break into pools on the surface or mix as drops in the upper layers of the ocean. This would allow much of the water to remain in touch with the overlying air and greatly reduce any effect the oil may have on evaporation. Therefore, the oil slick is not likely to have a significant impact on the hurricane.

Will the hurricane pull up the oil that is below the surface of the Gulf?

All of the sampling to date shows that except near the leaking well, the subsurface dispersed oil is in parts per million levels or less. The hurricane will mix the waters of the Gulf and disperse the oil even further.

Have we had experience in the past with hurricanes and oil spills?

Yes, but our experience has been primarily with oil spills that occurred because of the storm, not from an existing oil slick and an ongoing release of oil from the seafloor. The experience from hurricanes Katrina and Rita (2005) was that oil released during the storms became very widely dispersed.

Will there be oil in the rain related to a hurricane?

No. Hurricanes draw water vapor from a large area, much larger than the area covered by oil, and rain is produced in clouds circulating the hurricane.

(Excerpt taken from www.nhc.noaa.gov/pdf/hurricanes_oil_factsheet.pdf)

<http://www.ready.gov/journal/journal.html>

A preparedness blog established by the government that is full of great articles.



<http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/emergency/calendar.html>



[DHS Daily Open Source Infrastructure Report
www.dhs.gov/xinfoshare/programs/editorial_0542.shtm](http://www.dhs.gov/xinfoshare/programs/editorial_0542.shtm)

[National Situation Update
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