

Oil Spill Resources for Legal Professionals

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Lowcost Cleanup Methods for Coastal Sediments and Waterways Impacted by the BP Oil Spill of 2010, from the TASA.net.com Knowledge Center TASA ID [9787591693](#)

Although most of the media is concerned about the obvious floating free product associated with the BP Oil Spill, it is the dissolved contamination that will remain for a long period of time and continue to volatilize, generating the crude oil odors, long after the free product has been mostly cleaned up from the surface of the air-sea interface. [more »](#)

Damage Claims and Cleanup Estimates for the BP Oil Spill of 2010, from the TASA.net.com Knowledge Center TASA ID [9787591693](#)

Cost recovery for necessary assessment and cleanup costs from an oil spill which started hundreds of miles away on an offshore drilling platform is going to be a large issue for numerous Gulf Coast property owners. Legal action of any sort is a time-consuming affair. There are several types of damage caused by the BP Oil Spill of 2010. [more »](#)

Odors Associated with Oil Spills, from the TASA.net.com Knowledge Center TASA ID [9787591693](#)

The BP Oil Spill of 2010 has brought attention to the human senses, especially the sense of smell. Humans could easily smell the oil spill from shoreline locations, in an ocean breeze blowing toward the shore, well before the oil was on the beach or even within view of the shore. [more »](#)

Preventing Oil Spills and Other Disasters by Risk Analysis of the Consequences and Probability of Failure: A Look at the BP Oil Spill in the Gulf Coast, from the TASA.net.com Knowledge Center TASA ID [9787591693](#)

Oil spills happen when physical degradation of the facilities (pipes, pumps, wells, instrumentation, tanks and tankers) occur due to a variety of physical factors, including but not limited to corrosion, puncture, earth movement), as well as human errors. [more »](#)

Effects of Crude Oil Exposure on Children, Pregnant Women, and Other Adults, from the TASA.net.com Knowledge Center TASA ID: [89081155](#)

Crude Oil has been pouring into the Gulf of Mexico and is causing numerous and significant health issues for children, pregnant women, and other adults. Exposure occurs via inhalation, ingestion (of liquid droplets in the air), and direct skin contact. [more »](#)

► Government Department and Agency Factsheets and News Releases

NOAA, FDA Continue Ramping Up Efforts to Ensure Safety of Gulf of Mexico Seafood, a [joint news release](#) from the NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) and FDA

What to Expect from the Oil Spill and How to Protect Your Health, [facts](#) from the CDC's Gulf Oil Spill Emergency Preparedness & Response Office

Keeping Workers Safe during Oil Spill Response and Cleanup: [Update](#) on OSHA Activities

Deepwater Horizon/Mississippi Canyon 252 Oil Spill OSHA [Factsheet](#) for employees involved in the oil spill cleanup

► Legislation References

Overview of [Oil Pollution Act](#) of 1990

History of the [Federal Water Pollution Control Act](#), with links to all amendments

The Environmental Crimes Enforcement Act of 2010 (S. 3466): [Bill](#) sponsored by Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.) to require restitution for victims of criminal violations of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, and for other purposes.

The House Judiciary Committee passed [H.R. 5503](#) on June 23, 2010: "Securing Protections for the Injured from Limitations on Liability Act—To revise laws regarding liability in certain civil actions arising from maritime incidents, and for other purpose.

► Testimony

Evaluating the Health Impacts of the Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill, [statement](#) of John Howard, M.D, Director National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Testimony before the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, US Senate, June 15, 2010