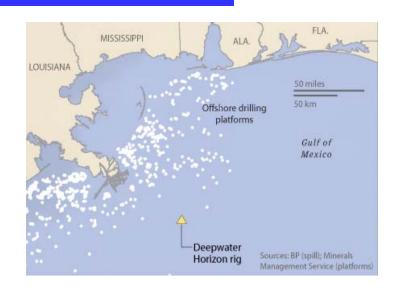
# **Deepwater Horizon – An Overview**

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### **Timeline**

- Apr 20-22 MODU explodes & sinks
- Apr 23 Unified Area Command
- Apr 29 Spill of National Significance
- May 1 National Incident Commander
- May 1-8 Attempts to secure well
- May 2 Relief well drilling begins
- May 29 Top Kill unsuccessful
- July 15 Well secured





Fate of oil: ~ 4.4-5.4M barrels

## Offshore & Shoreline





Subsea dispersants ~ 771K gallons

• 400+ in situ burns ~ 265K barrels

Skimming ~ 35M gallons oily-H2O mix

Boom ~3.8M ft hard; 9.7M ft soft

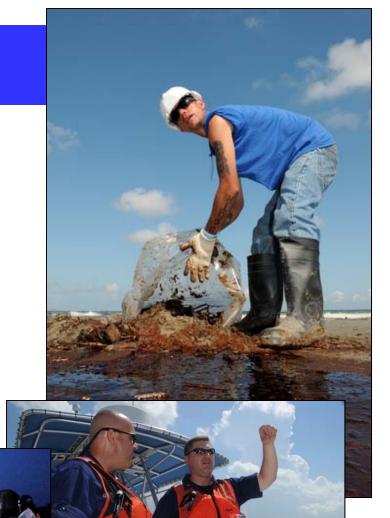
Vessels ~ 6,500

• Aircraft: 115

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# More than 47,000 people

Source	Entire Response
USCG	3,300
National Guard	1,625
Contractors	41,470
ВР	723
Volunteers	4,000

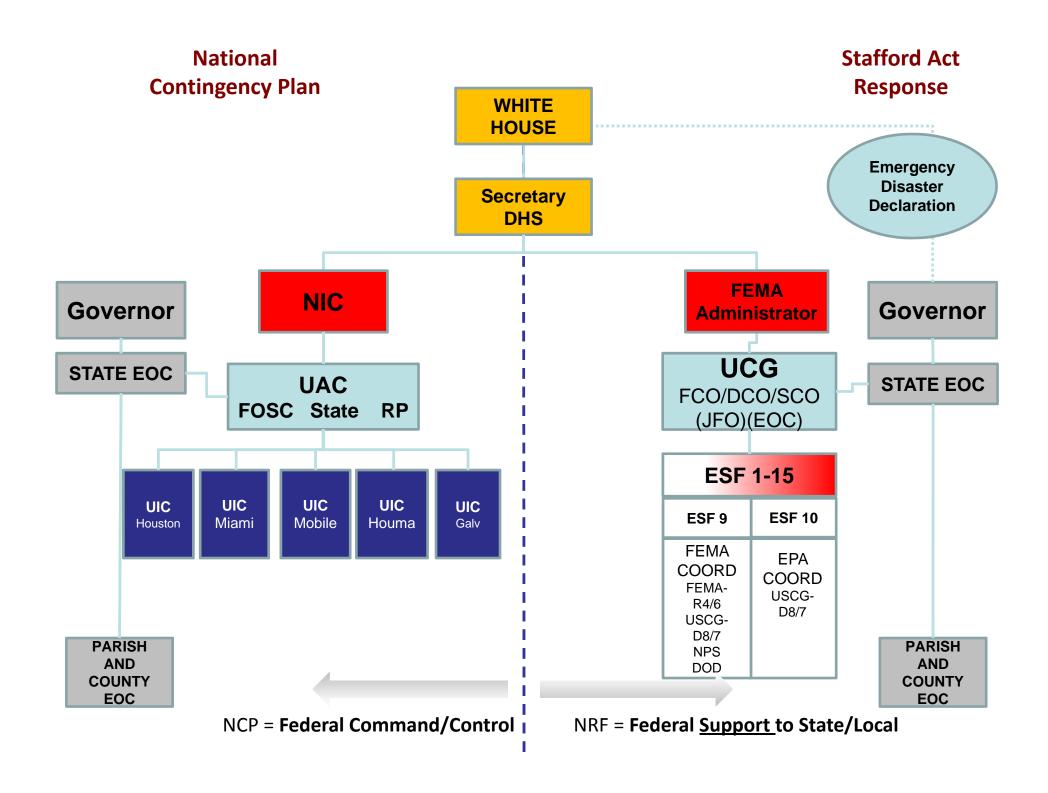


## Response Authorities

- Federal Water Pollution Control Act Section 311 (33 USC 1321 (c))
- Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (33 USC 2701-2762)
- National Contingency Plan (40 CFR Part 300)
- Homeland Security Presidential Directive 5 (HSPD-5)

#### **Deepwater Horizon** President **Response Structure** Principals/Deputies **Principal Federal** Official **National** Response **PEOPLE WHO MATTERED 2010 National Incident** Team **Thad Allen National Incident Commander** Commander O+ha Other Government **Agencies** Federal On-Scene Coordinator Regional Response Team **Unified Area Command** Incident Incident Incident Incident Command Command Command Command **Post Post** Post **Post** Mobile Galveston Miami Houma

17 Branches & 32 staging areas



## Oil Pollution Act/Clean Water Act

- Oil Spill removal Responsible Party under Federal oversight & direction <u>or</u> Federalize
- Compensate any person for oil removal costs & damages
- Polluter pays Responsible Party strict liability to certain limits but unlimited liability - gross negligence, willful misconduct, violation of regulation, failure to cooperate, etc.

