



Oil Spill Science Seminar: Exploring Oil Spill Impacts in the Deep Gulf of Mexico
December 8th, 2015, 9:30-2 pm
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Harte Research Institute, Room 127
6300 Ocean Drive, Corpus Christi, TX 78412

Time	Presentation
9-9:30	Participant check in
Welcome	
9:30	Chris Hale, Texas Sea Grant (10 min) - Overview of the Sea Grant Oil Spill Science Outreach program
<i>What do we know about emergency response to spills in the deep sea?</i>	
9:40	Brandon Klopfenstein & Nick Furnari, Marine Well Containment Co. (20 mins) - Responding to spills in the deep GOM
10:00	Dr. Scott Socolofsky, Texas A&M Univ.(25 mins) - Dispersant use at wellhead; modelling scenarios
10:25	BREAK (10 mins)
<i>What was the impact of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the deep sea?</i>	
10:35	Dr. Paul Montagna, Texas A&M Univ.-Corpus Christi (25 mins) - Footprint of the DWH oil in the Gulf; soft sediment faunal impact
11:00	Dr. Iliana Baums, Penn State Univ. (25 mins) - Oil & dispersant impacts to deep sea coral; Impact assessments
11:25	Dr. Ian MacDonald, Florida State Univ. (25 mins) - Mesophotic reef impacts from DWH
12:00	LUNCH- catered by TAMU-CC
<i>What are natural resource managers doing to monitor and respond?</i>	
1:00	GP Schmahl, FGB National Marine Sanctuary (20 mins) - Monitoring & protecting resources in FGB National Marine Sanctuary
Discussion Session	
1:20	Panel Discussion with guest speakers & audience (30 mins)
1:50	Chris Hale -Wrap up (10 min)



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