

Responding to oil spills: Coastal wetland habitats

Thursday, October 26, 2017

9:00a CT – 4:00p CT (registration starts at 8:30a CT)

Mississippi State University Coastal Research and Extension Center

1815 Popps Ferry Rd, Biloxi, MS 39532

| <u>Intro & background</u> | |
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| 9:00 | Overview and objectives – Larissa Graham, MASGC |
| 9:15 | Challenges to cleaning wetlands – Jeff Dauzat, LA Department of Environmental Quality |
| 9:35 | Potential response injuries to coastal wetlands – Marla Steinhoff, NOAA |
| 9:55 | Q & A |
| 10:15 | BREAK |
| <u>Research panel: What research is relevant to response?</u> | |
| 10:30 | Panelists: Alison Robertson, Dauphin Island Sea Lab Brian Roberts, Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium Ed Overton, Louisiana State University Irv Mendelsohn, Louisiana State University Kelly Boyle, Dauphin Island Sea Lab Patrick Biber, University of Southern Mississippi |
| 11:45 | LUNCH |
| <u>Case studies: What have we learned from response?</u> | |
| 1:00 | Burning (Delta Marsh/Octave Header) – Barret Fortier, USFWS |
| 1:15 | Oil removal and monitoring (Pepco Chalk Point) – Jacqui Michel, RPI (webex) |
| 1:30 | Oil removal and planting (Deepwater Horizon) – Brittany Bernik, Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council |
| 1:45 | Q & A |
| <u>Discussion: Bridging the gap between response science and research science</u> | |
| 2:00 | Challenges, solutions, and identifying next steps |
| 4:00 | Adjourn |