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City of Huntington Beach Oil Spill Updates – As of October 4, 2021

Please find the latest information on the oil spill located off the coast of Huntington Beach. The City continues to work with our Federal, State and local partners on clean-up efforts and further protections.

- The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has announced that there is to be no fishing between Sunset Beach and Dana Point from the shoreline to six miles out.
- The Huntington Beach shoreline from lifeguard tower line to water is closed between the Santa Ana River Jetty and Seapoint Street is currently closed indefinitely. Entering the water is prohibited.
- State and Federal officials have updated the maximum oil spill potential to 144,000 gallons, up from 126,000 gallons.
- At this time, a total of 14 boats and 320 people are supporting the clean-up efforts along the Orange County coast.
- The US Coast Guard announced that yesterday approximately 3,150 gallons of oil was recovered from the water and 5,360 feet of boom was deployed.
- Due to lightning in the area, clean-up efforts were put on hold at 2:45pm until further notice.
- Agencies have shared that they do NOT currently need volunteers to assist with clean-up efforts. If you would like to help, please donate to Wetlands & Wildlife Care Center who are caring for oiled wildlife. To learn how you can donate, please visit their website at www.wwccoc.org. For future clean-up and volunteer opportunities, please monitor www.ochabitats.org or the Surfrider Foundation website at www.hsbsurfrider.org.
- While there is currently no significant threat, contingency plans are in place in case additional protection measures are needed for the Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve.
- Huntington Beach Marine Safety has confirmed that booms are in place and holding at Talbert Marsh.
- The Air Quality Management District (AQMD) is currently monitoring air quality conditions in Orange County and will advise residents if there are air quality concerns.
- We have received reports of oiled birds along our coastline and wetlands that are still moving about and flying. While we are aware that these birds are oiled, if they are able to fly, officials are unable to collect and bring those animals to the Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center.

Huntington Beach Oil Spill Commonly Used Phone Numbers:

- Health related questions – Orange County Health Care Agency: (714) 834-2000
- General oil spill inquiries – Huntington Beach Oil Spill Hotline: (714) 374-1702
- Report wildlife concerns – Oiled Wildlife Care Network (877) 823-6926
- Boat damage claims – Global Risk Solutions (866) 985-8366, Pipeline P00547
- Details on Unified Command Response/Investigation: www.socalspillresponse.com