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OIL SPILL VOLUNTEER TRAINING AVAILABLE

PEARL-The Mississippi Emergency Management Agency, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality and the Department of Marine Resources have been meeting with British Petroleum to announce the availability of training for volunteers this week. Community training for beach cleanup will be conducted at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College campuses as follows:

- 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 6 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.
 - Jackson County Campus in the gymnasium.
 - Jefferson Davis Campus in room U202.
- 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 6 p.m., Tuesday through Friday.
 - Pearl River CC Hancock County Center.

This response training is hosted by local elected officials, BP personnel, community organizations and MGCCC. The training sessions will qualify volunteers to participate in pre-landfall beach cleaning to minimize impact to the beaches. Federal, state and private entities are asking any volunteers to attend training to ensure their personal safety and well-being. After training, volunteers will be at the following locations for beach clean-up:

Hancock County

- 2 p.m. at Bay St. Louis.
- 4 p.m. at Waveland.
- 6 p.m. at Buccaneer State Park.

Harrison County

- 2 p.m.:
 - Pass Christian Central.
 - Pass Christian East.
 - Long Beach.
 - Biloxi Central.
- 4 p.m.:
 - Gulfport West.
 - Gulfport Harbor.
 - Gulfport West Central.
 - Biloxi East.
- 6 p.m.:
 - Courthouse Rd.
 - Gulfport East.
 - Edgewater

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Jackson County

- 2 p.m.:
 - Front Beach.
 - Shearwater.
- 4 p.m.:
 - Gulf Park Estates.
 - St. Andrews.
- 6 p.m.:
 - Pascagoula Beach West.
 - Pascagoula Beach East.

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