

# Navy Regional Environmental Coordination (REC) and Navy On- Scene Coordination (NOSC) Programs, R5

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# Roles and Responsibilities



## Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command - Area Environmental Coordinator

Responsible for overall environmental coordination and designating Regional Flags as Regional Environmental Coordinator (REC) and Navy On-Scene Coordinator (NOSC)

## Commander, Navy Region Midwest

**REC** – USEPA Regions 5 & 7 (10 States) and State Regulator lead in 16 states; Responsible for coordination of environmental compliance consistency, community relations, legal review, and regulatory interface

**NOSC** – For 16 States (Including all of R5) ; Responsible for planning, preparedness and incident coordination for Oil and Hazardous Substance releases



# Navy Spill Assets, R5

Located in Great Lakes, IL



## ■ Oil Recovery Equipment

- ❑ 28 FT Rapid Response Skimmer – belt skimmer (30,240 Gal/day de-rated)
- ❑ Vacuum Truck with Weir Skimmer (34,560 Gal/day de-rated)
- ❑ Slikbar Weir Skimmer (11,520 Gal/day de-rated)

## ■ Boom / Oil Containment Equipment

- ❑ 2,600 FT Class II Response Boom (16 inch)
- ❑ 5,600 FT Class II Response Boom (24 inch)
- ❑ 900 FT Class II Response Boom (28 inch)
- ❑ 30 Boom Mooring Systems
- ❑ 1,000 Gal Towable Storage Bladders (3)

All equipment is trailer ready

## ■ Response Support Vessels

- ❑ 30 Ft Platform Boat
- ❑ 23 FT Utility Boats (2)
- ❑ 22 FT Boston Whaler, 16 FT RIB, 15 Ft Jon Boat



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# Navy Spill Assets, R5

Located Nation-Wide (VA & CA)



## ■ Oil Recovery Equipment

- ❑ 40 Skimming systems, including off shore high speed VOSS and Belt Skimmers (75,000 bbls/day estimated daily recovery capacity)

## ■ Boom / Oil Containment Equipment

- ❑ 160,800 FT Class II Response Boom (18 - 42 inch)
- ❑ 53,100 bbls Storage Bladders

## ■ Response Support Vessels

- ❑ >40 response vessels

## ■ 18 – 36 hr response time

All equipment is trailer ready



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# Proposed Navy Realignment



- Navy Region Midwest will Disestablish on 1 Oct 2014
- Navy responsibilities are being transitioned to other existing Navy regions beginning in June 2014
- Navy On Scene Coordinator Responsibility will Realign as follows:
  - Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin to Navy Region Mid-Atlantic (Norfolk)
  - Minnesota to Navy Region Northwest (Bangor, WA)
- Local equipment assets will remain at Naval Station Great Lakes
- Navy RRT R5 Primary Contact will change to a Norfolk POC
- Navy RRT R5 Alternate Contact will likely be a Local Naval Station Great Lakes, IL POC
- Navy Integrated Contingency Plan (Regional Plan) will be updated





# Navy R5 Oil Spill Response



**Near Shore Booming**



**Transportation & Boom Support**



**Near - Shore Skimming**



**Off - Shore Skimming - SUPSALV**

# Navy NOSC Responsibilities (Background Information)



- Ensure Navy facilities can control, contain & cleanup Oil and Hazardous Substance (OHS) spills
- Serve as the Federal On-Scene Coordinator for Navy hazardous substance releases
- Develop area wide NOSC Plans and coordinate with USCG and USEPA in the development of area and regional contingency plans
- Coordinate planning with other service On-Scene Coordinator Plans
- Maintain NOSC plan on an annual basis, conduct complete update of NOSC Plans every 5 years
- Coordinate NOSC Plans with fleet planning and operations



# Navy NOSC Responsibilities

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- Establish a spill training program and ensure all staff with OHS responsibilities are properly trained and competent
- Coordinate planning efforts for Worst case discharge exercises
- Review and approve Annual Allowance Requirement Requests for spill response equipment.
- Ensure that activities in the region act in accordance with Navy, Federal, State, and local OHS spill notification procedures.
- Report status for plans and exercises to CNIC
- Ensure the health and safety of response personnel during on-scene response



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# Navy NOSC Responsibilities

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- Coordinate response planning and operations with Regional Response Teams (RRTs)
- Coordinate NAVSEA SUPSALV response assistance for spills beyond local capability
- Direct all major response efforts for Navy OHS spills within assigned AOR
- Coordinate with Navy emergency management program
- Review OHS spill notification messages, NRC reports and local reports, and validate OHS database information for assigned AOR
- Support other Federal or State led OHS responses consistent with established mutual support agreements and IAW chain of command policy



## Navy REC and NOSC Roles



- Environmental Staff support provided by NRMW N45 and Naval Facilities Engineering Command Staff
- Environmental legal support provided by NRMW OGC/JAG and NAVFAC MW OGC Staff
- Environmental Public Affairs Coordination provided by NRMW PAO and NAVFAC MW PAO
- Installation Commanding Officers are assigned as Facility Incident Commanders for spill management on their installation (NRMW Integrated Contingency Plan)



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