

3. Operations

The shoreline protection tactics, techniques, and procedures utilized by the Operations Sections, and within individual states across the response area ensured a layered defense beyond sub-sea dispersant, skimming at the source, in situ burning, aerial dispersant use, and VOOs skimming. All those measures helped minimize the environmental impacts of oiling along the Gulf Coast. The protection plans and actions were made possible through cooperation between federal, state, and local officials, the RP, and environmental experts. These plans and actions minimized not only the threat, but also the actual impact of oil in the marshes and on the beaches.