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Subject: RE: Spill of National Significance

Roger is the IC, I'm his Deputy. He does all of the external stuff (meeting Parish Presidents, congress people, Governor) and I do all of the internal ICS-driven IC stuff--go to the mtgs, make decisions in Roger's absence. We both do media and VIP stuff, depending on where/when it is (if it's at the ICP and Roger is out, I do it). It's way too much work for one person, so we divided and conquered.

Don't believe what you see on TV. People are working very hard and we're keeping the vast majority of the oil off the beach. They keep showing the same small area of impacted shoreline/marsh, because that's all they can show.

Merrie

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