

HARM TO TURTLES

Species harmed

- Kemp's Ridley, Loggerhead, Green, Leatherback, Hawksbill

Direct evidence of actual harm

- 1,149 collected during response
- 278 nests with 14,676 hatchlings removed from Gulf Coast beaches
- Lost Sargassum

Indicators of harm

- Exposure of juveniles and hatchlings in Sargassum
- 5 to 8-fold increase in stranding rates
- Many more died than were found
- Nesting habitat impacted

