



Region 6 RRT Winter Meeting

December 11-12, 2013

Addison, TX

Day 1: December 11, 2013 : Executive Committee Meeting

- The Executive Committee meeting was conducted on December 11. Attendees: Captain Joe Hester (USCG), Ragan Broyles (EPA R6, Co-Chair), Wes McQuiddy (EPA), Steve Buschang (TGLO), Michael Sams (USCG, Co-Chair), Steve Mason (EPA), John Temperilli (Wild Well Control), Jim Staves (HDR Engineering), Karolien Debusschere (LOSCO), Adam Tyndale (USCG), Kyle Jellison (NOAA), Althea Foster (EPA), Gary Andrew (EPA), Todd Peterson (USCG, via phone), Courtney Martin (Weston Solutions, EPA START).
- Topics discussed included:
 - Standing Committee Updates
 - Preparedness, Karolien Debusschere (LOSCO)
 - ✓ Position of vice chair is currently on hold
 - ✓ Currently working on dispersant issues.
 - Science and Technology Committee, Steve Buschang (TGLO)
 - ✓ Currently nothing is assigned.
 - ✓ Surface washing plans are in progress. Planning is progressing geographically up the Texas coast, (Houston-Galveston is currently in the works and Corpus Christi is next).
 - ✓ Consider continuation of work on solidifiers, bio-remediation, and waste management of oil.
 - Industry Liaison, John Temperilli (Wild Well Control)
 - ✓ There are two major projects being developed on sub-sea dispersion and best management practices to prepare for natural disaster events by industry
 - Response, Adam Tyndale (USCG- D8)
 - ✓ Nothing to report
 - Review of 2013 Priority List (make changes if necessary)
 - Completed Actions
 - ✓ Updated Regional Contingency Plan (RCP) is completed and online
 - ✓ Draft Inland Contingency Plan is finished and should be signed and available by early next calendar year
 - ✓ Reviewed/Updated RRT6 by-laws (Executive Committee); signed in August 2013
 - ✓ Leverage Virtual Meeting Technology for future RRT Meetings/Conference Calls (Science and Technology Committee)
 - ✓ Elected new Response Committee Chair (Executive Committee)
 - ✓ Website was completed last year (continued review / revisions as needed)
 - In Progress
 - ✓ Realign Near Shore and Offshore USCG Sector Boundaries (Technical Amendment-USCG-D8)
 - ✓ Review of Coastal (USCG)/Inland (USEPA) Boundaries and update as needed (Executive Committee): will begin once inland ACP is signed
 - ✓ Develop Surface Washing Agent (SWA) Checklist/ SOP (Alternative Technologies Workgroup): Houston-Galveston is continuing the process
 - ✓ Revise/Expand R6 RRT AST Fact Sheet (collaborate with R4 as appropriate- Industry Liaison Committee): work is continuing on DRAFT fact sheet – should be ready by end of first quarter of 2014
 - ✓ Coordinate with R4 RRT to maximize consistency between dispersant pre-authorization and the dispersant use plan (forms and procedures); revise as appropriate

- (Preparedness Committee): agreed that Region 4/6 EPA/USCG management should have coordination call within next month to determine best path forward
- ✓ Create draft forms for industry to facilitate RRT6 dialogue on the issue of subsurface dispersant application (Industry Liaison Committee): forms are close to being submitted to RRT for review
- ✓ Monthly Executive Committee Teleconferences (Executive Committee): calls appear to be successful and will be continued – goal is for 30-60 minutes for each call
- ✓ Conduct Incident Specific Conference Calls, including Exercises and Document Results (RRT Function): being conducted
- New Priorities
 - ✓ RRT playbook for countermeasures to oil spills (Response Committee)
 - ✓ Develop a slideshow/PPT – Welcome to the RRT or RRT 101 (Executive Committee)
- Review of General Meeting Agenda
- Discuss Logistics for General Meeting
- Establish dates & locations for 2014 meetings
 - Proposed dates are Summer: 3-5 June 2014, Winter: 9-11 December 2014 or 18-20 November 2014; location to stay at Addison EPA facility
- END EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Day 1: December 11, 2013 : General Meeting

- Meeting was opened and introductions given by Co-Chairs Ragan Broyles, EPA, and by Michael Sams, USCG. Minutes from the May, 2013 meeting, and the agenda for this meeting, were reviewed and approved.

Review / Update of R6 RRT 2014 Priorities

- Presentation provided by Mike Sams, USCG, reviewing the priorities of the RRT, which included the two new priorities approved by the Executive Committee.
- Presentation posted to <http://rrt6.org/Meetings/PastMeetingPresentations.aspx>
- The RRT will be revisiting priorities and revising the list of priorities as elements are completed or determined no longer to be a priority. The updated priorities are listed below.



In Progress or Continuing

1	Realign the Near Shore & Offshore USCG Sector Boundaries (Technical Amendment and MOA)	USCG D8
2	Review Coastal (USCG) / Inland (USEPA) Boundaries and update as needed	Executive Committee
3	Develop Surface Washing Agent (SWA) Checklist/ SOP	Alternative Technologies Workgroup
4	Revise / Expand R6 RRT AST Fact Sheet (collaborate with R4 as appropriate)	Industry Liaison Committee
5	Coordinate with Region 4 RRT to maximize consistency between dispersant pre-authorization and dispersant use plan (forms, procedures); revise as appropriate	Preparedness Committee
6	Create draft forms for industry to facilitate RRT6 dialogue on the issue of subsurface dispersant application	Industry Liaison Committee
7	Monthly Executive Committee Teleconferences	Executive Committee
8	Conduct Incident Specific Conference Calls, including Exercises and Document Results.	RRT Function
9	Develop Region 6 RRT Countermeasures for Oil Spills Playbook	Response Committee
10	Develop RRT 101 / Welcome to the RRT Presentation for new RRT members	Executive Committee

- # 9 and # 10 are new priorities for 2014

Completed Actions

1	Update Regional Contingency Plan (RCP)
2	Review / Update the RRT6 By-Laws
3	Leverage Virtual Meeting Technology for future RRT Meetings / Conference Calls
4	Elect New Response Committee Chair

State Agency Reports

- State agency updates on preparedness / response activities
- Presentations by TGLO, TCEQ, TRRC, LOSCO and ODEQ for the States

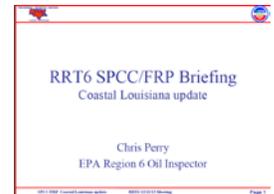
Texas General Land Office (TGLO) Oil Spill Toolkit

- Presentation provided by Steve Buschang, TGLO
- Presentation posted to <http://rrt6.org/Meetings/PastMeetingPresentations.aspx>



Facility Response Plan (FRP) Inspections / Results

- Presentation provided by Chris Perry, EPA Region 6
- Presentation posted to <http://rrt6.org/Meetings/PastMeetingPresentations.aspx>



USCG Incident Management Assistance Team (IMAT)

- Presentation provided by Sherri Chamberlin, USCG IMAT
- Presentation posted to <http://rrt6.org/Meetings/PastMeetingPresentations.aspx>



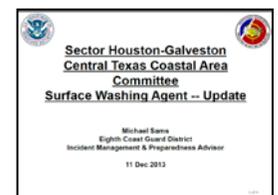
Dispersant Product Options

- Presentation provided by James Hanzalik, Clean Gulf Associates
- Presentation posted to <http://rrt6.org/Meetings/PastMeetingPresentations.aspx>



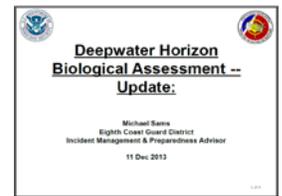
Surface Washing Agent Approval Process and Path Forward

- Presentation provided by Michael Sams, USCG District 8
- Presentation posted to <http://rrt6.org/Meetings/PastMeetingPresentations.aspx>



- **Deepwater Horizon (DWH) Biological Assessment Update**

- Presentation provided by Michael Sams, USCG District 8
- Presentation posted to <http://rrt6.org/Meetings/PastMeetingPresentations.aspx>



- **Exxon Pipeline / Mayflower Oil Spill Update**

- Presentation provided by Nick Brescia, EPA Region 6

- **American Petroleum Institute (API) Dispersant Position**

- Presentation provided by Michael Drieu, Wild Well Control
- Presentation posted to <http://rrt6.org/Meetings/PastMeetingPresentations.aspx>



Day 2: December 12, 2013

- **Lessons Learned from the West, Texas Fertilizer Explosion**

- Presentation provided by Frank Patterson, McLennan County Emergency Management

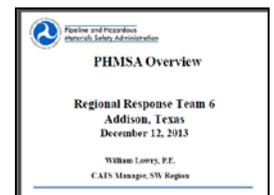
- **Implementation of Presidential Executive Order, Region II RRT Pilot Program**

- Presentation provided by Kim Jennings, US EPA Office of Emergency Management (OEM)
- Presentation posted to <http://rrt6.org/Meetings/PastMeetingPresentations.aspx>



- **Community Assistance and Technical Services (CATS) Program / Pipeline Initiatives**

- Presentation provided by Bill Lowry, DOT Region 6 CATS Program
- Presentation posted to <http://rrt6.org/Meetings/PastMeetingPresentations.aspx>



- **USCG Gulf Strike Team (GST) Overview of Area Specialist Program**

- Presentation provided by Kevin Lynn and Gabe Klaff, USCG-GST
- Presentations posted to <http://rrt6.org/Meetings/PastMeetingPresentations.aspx>



Recognition to Ragan Broyles for his service to the Regional Response Team



• **USCG Captain of the Port Reports**

- Presentations by Sector New Orleans, Marine Safety Unit (MSU) Morgan City, Sector Corpus Christi, MSU Port Arthur, Sector Houston-Galveston
- Presentations posted to <http://rrt6.org/Meetings/PastMeetingPresentations.aspx>



• **Update on Facility Preparedness Brochure**

- Presentation provided by John Temperilli, Wild Well Control
- Presentations posted to <http://rrt6.org/Meetings/PastMeetingPresentations.aspx>



• **Federal Agency Reports**

- Updates were provided by NOAA, ATSDR / HHS, DHS / FEMA, EPA, DOI, DOE/SPR, NRC, and BSEE.

Closing Remarks were provided by Ragan Broyles, EPA, and Michael Sams, USCG. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1500 on Thursday, December 12.

The next meeting (Summer, 2014) is tentatively scheduled for the end of May, to be held in Addison, TX.

Attendees who signed in (RRT Members are shaded)

1	Adam Tyndale (USCG-D8)	39	Keith Watters (USCG- Baton Rouge)
2	Adolfo Viezca (USCG-MSU Port Arthur)	40	Kevin Lynn (USCG-GST)
3	Aimee Beveridge (TX RRC)	41	Kevin Palm (NRCC)
4	Althea Foster (EPA-R6)	42	Kim Jennings (EPA-HQ)
5	Bill Gross (DOD)	43	Kyle Jellison (NOAA)
6	Bill Rhotenberry (EPA-R6)	44	Marsha Brewer (FEMA-R6)
7	Brandi Todd (EPA-R6)	45	Mike Goldsworthy (FEMA-R6)
8	Brian Penoyer (USCG-Sector Houston-Galveston)	46	Mike Niles (OMI)
9	Bryan Rogers (BSEE)	47	Mike Sams (USCG-D8)
10	Bryant Smalley (EPA-R6)	48	Monty Elder (ODEQ)
11	Cathy McLean (Castex Energy)	49	Nicholas Brescia (EPA-R6)
12	Charlie Henry (NOAA)	50	Nick Morgan (USCG-Sector New Orleans)
13	Cheri Cuellar (City of Grand Prairie)	51	Patrick Neal (USDOE)
14	Chris Perry (EPA-R6)	52	Patrick Young (ATSDR-R6)
15	Chris Ruhl (EPA-R6)	53	Phillip Schifflin (USCG-Sector New Orleans)
16	Chris Viator (LOSCO)	54	Ragan Broyles (EPA-R6)
17	Drew Clements (ECA)	55	Ralph Mitchell (BP America)
18	Frank Patterson (McLennan County Emergency Mgmt)	56	Randal Ogrydziak (USCG-Sector Corpus Christi)
19	Gabe Klaff (USCG-GST)	57	Randy Anzalone (MSRC)
20	Gary Andrew (EPA-R4)	58	Richard Alonso (USCG-MSU Texas City)
21	Greg Pollock (TGLO)	59	Robert Scheuermann (Helix Well Control Group)
22	Gregory Bailey (USCG-MSU Baton Rouge)	60	Roberto Bernier (EPA-R6)
23	J. Thomas Budde (ExxonMobil Pipeline Co)	61	Roger Bennett (TCEQ)
24	Jackie Smith (OMI)	62	Russell Howerton (Sunoco Logistics)
25	Jackie Tweney (USCG-MSU Port Arthur)	63	Ryan Martin (Access Midstream)
26	James Hanzalik (CGA)	64	Sam Garland (FEMA-R6)
27	Jamie Quinlan (Martin Resource Mgmt)	65	Shawn Essert (Shell)
28	Jeff Andras (Shoreline Energy)	66	Sherri Chamberlin (USCG IMAT)
29	Jeff D'Alessandro (AMPOL)	67	Stephen Kastensmidt (Anadarko Petroleum Corp)
30	Jennifer Andrew (USCG- MSU Lake Charles)	68	Steve Mason (EPA-R6)
31	Jhana Enders (EPA-R6)	69	Steve Spencer (DOI)
32	Jim Staves (HDR)	70	Steven Buschang (TGLO)
33	John Temperilli (Wild Well Control)	71	Todd Peterson (USCG D8)
34	Jon Wickersam (Transcanada)	72	Tom Andrews (USNRC-R4)
35	Joseph Hester (USCG-D8)	73	Victoria Broje (Shell)
36	Karolien Debusschere (LOSCO)	74	Wes McQuiddy (EPA-R6)
37	Kasey Talbot (USCG-Sector New Orleans)	75	William Lowry (USDOT)
38	Keith Smith (USCG-MSU Morgan City)		