



## Venice Beaches: Beautiful Unspoiled



### Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Information

**At this time there is no impact expected in our area.** However, the City of Venice is prepared to respond in appropriate ways in the event that the situation should change.

The city is monitoring the latest conditions of the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and working with Sarasota County Emergency Management, and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). The City is in daily contact with the primary agencies responsible for responding to the emergency. The city, along with Sarasota County, is participating in a contingency plan that would be initiated by a unified response from city, county, state and federal agencies.

In the event that the oil spill or its residue is expected to reach our beaches and waterways, protective measures will begin 72 hours before the expected impact.

**Citizens who wish to volunteer should go through the [volunteerfloridadisaster.org](http://volunteerfloridadisaster.org) Web site.** It is the official Web site for organizing appropriate volunteer response.

The primary agencies responsible for responding to the spill and directing cleanup operations are the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the U.S. Coast Guard and British Petroleum.

The best source of the latest information is the FDEP Web site:  
<http://dep.state.fl.us/deepwaterhorizon/>

For information about volunteer opportunities: <http://www.volunteerfloridadisaster.org/>

Other volunteer opportunities may exist through Mote Marine:  
[www.mote.org/oilresponse](http://www.mote.org/oilresponse)  
and Friendship Volunteer Center: [www.friendshipvolunteer.com](http://www.friendshipvolunteer.com)

For more local news, see: [www.scgov.net](http://www.scgov.net)

The official site of the Deepwater Horizon Unified Command:  
<http://www.deepwaterhorizonresponse.com/go/site/2931/>