EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION (EFS) #10 OVERVIEW



USCG ESF #10 MISSION

- Emergency Support Function (ESF) #10 Oil and Hazardous Materials Response provides Federal support in response to an actual or potential discharge and/or uncontrolled release of oil or hazardous materials when activated.
- ESF #10 does NOT provide for the wreck removal or deposal of the actual vessels deemed an environmental threat, but requires simultaneous implementation of EFS #3
- ESF #3 activates and develops work priorities in cooperation with State governments to further and complete the clean-up process
- Post Hurricane Florence, ESF # 10 was activated in September, 2018, and has overseen the assessment, mitigation, and removal of ONLY hazardous materials from North Carolina's waterways.

U.S. COAST GUARD PRESS RELEASE

U.S. Coast Guard In an effort to mitigate potential threats to the environment from vessels/vehicles/tanks displaced or damaged by the hurricane, the Federal On-Scene Coordinator is working in partnership with area marinas and municipalities to identify vessel/vehicle/tank owners. This vessel/vehicle/tank may contain oil or hazardous substances and may pose a substantial pollution threat to the environment. As such, it is vitally important that action be taken promptly to prevent damage to the environment. You are encouraged to contact the U.S. Coast Guard Incident Command Post upon receipt of this notice. Command Post Contact Information: Date: Target Number:



HURRICANE FLORENCE ASSESSMENT

- The U.S. Coast Guard conducted a statewide survey of "derelict" vessels containing potential hazardous materials.
- These materials included, but not limited to, petroleum fuel and lubrication products, LP Gas, cleaning solutions and solvents, batteries compiled of various acids and leads, and pyrotechnic flammable flares and signaling devices.
- During the survey 383 TOTAL TARGETS were flagged, requiring salvage for hazmat response.













LONG TERM ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

- Fisheries
- Sea Habitat Issues
- Vessel Decomposition
- Third Party and Citizen Complaints
- Wreckage/Garbage Waste Left Behind
- Visual Impacts and Impressions on Tourism in Coastal NC

MOVING FORWARD

- Recommend we provide a assessment and scope of work for removal and disposal of the remaining targets.
- Estimated cost for the assessment not to exceed \$50,000

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- Total project costs would be broken down by remaining vessels and their length
- Removal fees applied are \$395 per foot
- Example: \$395 x 32' vessel = \$12,640

*A total project cost can be more defined after a completed assessment is conducted

MOVING FORWARD

It is our recommendation that legislation be enacted requiring all State registered vessels carry a **minimum** liability insurance to cover any future losses, salvage and recovery, and damages caused by storms, operator error, and vessel neglect. This would alleviate the financial burden on the State of North Carolina and its tax payers. Any response then would be paid for by private insurance carriers.

THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION

