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Credentialing Centers Operation Schedule Changes

Mobile – The Department of Public Safety in conjunction with the Alabama National Guard continues to operate credentialing centers to make sure contractors and volunteers working in Alabama responding to the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill have appropriate identification.

Locations are listed below with the new days of operation which will continue until further notice.

Bayou La Batre Community Center
12745 Padgett Switch Road
Bayou La Batre, AL 36509

Open Monday through Wednesday from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Baldwin County Emergency Management Agency
23100 McAuliffe Drive
Robertsdale, Alabama 36567

Open Wednesday and Thursday from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Both locations will be closed Monday, July 5.

For Vessels of Opportunity Operators: After registering, training and receiving qualifying paperwork, which is commonly known as a “yellow card”, please visit one of the credentialing center locations to receive proper Alabama credentials contract work needed for access to any future restricted areas.

For individuals contracted for onshore work (beach clean up, surveillance and other types): After registering and receiving qualifying paperwork, please visit one of the credentialing centers to receive the required state-issued credentials needed for access to any future restricted areas.

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In addition to the qualifying paperwork received after registering and training, contractors and volunteers will need to show one of the following forms of identification to receive their credentials: state issued driver's license or I.D. card, military I.D. card or U.S. passport. Foreign nationals must show a country-issued passport and an I-94 form showing they are authorized to be in the United States.

Credentialing is not currently required to work in Alabama as a result of the oil spill. However, if access to areas becomes restricted due to the oil spill, state-issued badges will be required.

The Alabama Department of Environmental Management is the lead agency for the state's response to the oil spill under the Unified Command. ADEM is coordinating efforts for a wide range of state agencies that are involved in responding to the situation. Additional information and updates regarding the oil spill and Alabama's response may be obtained at www.adem.alabama.gov.

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