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List of acronyms

Abbreviation	Description
AEP	Australian Energy Producers (formerly Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association [APPEA]; from 13 September 2023)
AIS	automatic identification system
ALARP	as low as reasonably practicable
AMOSOC	Australian Marine Oil Spill Centre Pty Ltd
AMSA	Australian Marine Safety Authority
API	American Petroleum Institute
APPEA	Former Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association (to 12 September 2023; now Australian Energy Producers [AEP])
CMT	Crisis Management Team
CSR	Company Site Representative
CTD	Conductivity Temperature Depth (meter)
DBCA	Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions
DCCEEW	Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
DEPWS	Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security
DFAT	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
DISR	Department of Industry, Science and Resources
WA DoT	Department of Transport
EMBA	Environment That May Be Affected
EP	Environment Plan
ERT	Emergency Response Team
ER	Emergency Response
FOB	Forward Operating Base
GIS	Geographic Information System
GPS	Global Positioning System
HMA	Hazard Management Agency
HR	Human Resources
IAP	Incident Action Plan
ICC	Santos Incident Coordination Centre
IMT	Incident Management Team
IR	Incident Response
MARPOL	International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships
MDO	Marine Diesel Oil
MEER	Maritime Environmental Emergency Response
MNES	Matters of National Environmental Significance
MODU	Mobile Offshore Drilling Unit
MoU	Memorandum of Understanding

Abbreviation	Description
MSA	Master Services Agreement
MSP	Monitoring Service Providers
NEBA	Net Environmental Benefit Analysis
NOPSEMA	National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environment Management Authority
NT	Northern Territory
NT IC	Northern Territory Incident Controller
NT IMT	Northern Territory Incident Management Team
NT OWRP	Northern Territory Oiled Wildlife Response Plan
OPEP	Oil Pollution Emergency Plan
OPGGS (E) Regulations	Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Environment) Regulations 2009
OSC	On-Scene Commander
OSRL	Oil Spill Response Limited
OSTM	Oil Spill Trajectory Modelling
OWR	Oiled Wildlife Response
POLREP	Marine Pollution Report
PPA	Priority Protection Area
PWC	The Parks and Wildlife Commission of the Northern Territory
RCC	Rescue Coordination Centre (AMSA)
ROV	Remotely Operated Vehicle
SCAT	Shoreline Clean-up Assessment Technique
SER	Supplementary Environmental Report
SIMA	Spill Impact Mitigation Assessment
SLA	Service Level Agreement
SMP	Scientific Monitoring Plans
SMPEP	Shipboard Marine Pollution Emergency Plan
SOPEP	Shipboard Oil Pollution Emergency Plans
TEC	Territory Emergency Controller
TRP	Tactical Response Plan
VI	Varanus Island
VOC	Volatile Organic Compound
VOO	Vessels Of Opportunity
VPO	Vice President Offshore Upstream WA/NA
WA	Western Australia
WAOWRP	Western Australian Oiled Wildlife Response Plan
WSP	Waste Service Provider

1. Quick Reference Information

Parameter	Description			Further information
Petroleum Activity	Pipeline construction, operation and preservation, vessel-based inspection, maintenance, monitoring and repair (IMMR) activities in the Beagle Gulf waters and Darwin Harbour			Section 2.1 of the Darwin Pipeline Duplication (DPD) Supplementary Environmental Report (SER)
Location	The Northern Territory (NT) waters section of the Darwin Pipeline Duplication (DPD) extends from the outward NT waters boundary to the beach valve at the shore crossing at Wickham Point, near Darwin			Figure 3-1 Section 2.2 of the DPD SER
Petroleum title/s (Blocks)	Pipeline Licences in NT waters: HOLD (pending application to DITT)			N/A
Vessels	<p>During construction various vessels will be deployed at different times and locations including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + 4 Trenching vessels + 1 Pipelay barge, 1 Pipelay vessel, 1 Construction support vessel, 1 Pipe supply vessel, 1 Nearshore survey vessel, 1 Rock installation vessel, 1 Fall pipe vessel, 1 Rock barge + 4 Operations support vessels. <p>During operations vessel-based IMMR activities will be undertaken</p>			Section 2.1 of the DPD Project - Offshore Pipeline Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) (BAS-210 0024)
Water depth	Ranges from 0 m at the shore crossing to a maximum of approximately 53 m at the boundary with Commonwealth Waters			Section 5.1.3 of the CEMP
Worst-case spill scenarios	Scenario	Hydrocarbon	Worst-case volume	Section 6.1
	Vessel collision (deep water pipelay vessel – NT Waters)	MDO (Group II)	700 m ³	
	Vessel collision (deep water pipelay vessel – NT Waters/Commonwealth Waters Boundary)	MDO (Group II)	700 m ³	
	Vessel collision (shallow water pipelay vessel)	MDO (Group II)	300 m ³	
Hydrocarbon properties	<p>MDO: Density at 25 °C = 829 kg/m³ Dynamic viscosity = 4 cP @ 25 °C API Gravity = 37.6° Wax content = 0.05% Pour point = -14 °C Oil property classification = Persistent - light (Group II)</p>			Appendix A
Weathering potential	MDO is a mixture of volatile and persistent hydrocarbons with low viscosity. It will spread quickly and thin out to low			Appendix A

Parameter	Description	Further information
	<p>thickness levels, thereby increasing the rate of evaporation. Up to 60% will generally evaporate over the first two days. Approximately 5% is considered 'persistent', which are unlikely to evaporate and will decay over time.</p>	

2. First-strike response actions

If the spill is from a vessel, the initial response actions to major oil spill incidents will be undertaken by the relevant Vessel Master or Santos Company Site Representative. The On-scene Commander (OSC) is either the Santos Company Site Representative (if present) or Vessel Master for vessel-based incidents. This will be determined during the initial activation stages of the incident.

Following those initial actions undertaken by the OSC to ensure the safety of personnel on the vessel, and to control the source of the spill, the OSC will assess the situation based on:

- + What has caused the spill?
- + Is the source under control?
- + What type of hydrocarbon has been spilled?
- + How much has been spilled?

For spills from support vessels, initial response actions to major incidents are under the direction of the Vessel Master and in accordance with vessel-specific procedures (e.g. Shipboard Oil Pollution Emergency Plans [SOPEPs]).

Response information contained within this OPEP is concerned primarily with a large scale (Level 2/3) hydrocarbon spill where the Santos Incident Management Team (IMT) is engaged for support and implementation of response strategies. Level 1 spills are managed through on-site response and the IMT is available to assist with regulatory requirements/notifications and support if required. Therefore, the immediate response actions listed in **Table 2-1** are relevant for any spill. Once sufficient information is known about the spill, the Incident Commander will classify the level of the spill. If the spill is classified as a Level 1 spill, then the actions related to Level 2/3 spills do not apply, unless specified by the Incident Commander.

Table 2-1: First-strike activations

When (indicative)	Activations		Who
	Objective	Action	
All spills			
Immediate	Manage the safety of personnel	Implement site incident response procedures or vessel-specific procedures, as applicable	On-Scene Commander
Immediate	Control the source using site resources, where possible	Control the source using available on-site resources Refer to source control plan – Section 9	On-Scene Commander
30 minutes of incident being identified	Notify Santos Offshore Duty Manager/Incident Commander	Verbal communication to Offshore Duty Manager/Incident Commander's duty phone	On-Scene Commander
As soon as practicable	Obtain as much information about the spill as possible	Provide as much information to the IMT (Incident Commander or delegate) as soon as possible	On-Scene Commander
60 minutes of incident being notified	Gain situational awareness and begin on-site spill surveillance	Level 1 spills may only require the use of onsite resources to conduct monitor and evaluate activities (e.g. vessel surveillance). Refer to Monitor and Evaluate Plan – Section 10	On-Scene Commander Incident Commander
Refer timeframes Go to Section 7	Make regulatory and stakeholder notifications within specified timeframes	Activate the External Notifications and Reporting Procedures – Section 7	Initial notifications by Planning Section Chief – Section 7
Level 2/3 spills (in addition to actions above)			
Immediately once notified of spill (to Incident Commander)	Activate IMT, if required	Notify IMT	Offshore Duty Manager/ Incident Commander
IMT actions (0 to 48 hours)			
Within 90 minutes from IMT call-out	Set up IMT room	Refer to IMT tools and checklists for room and incident log set-up	Incident Commander IMT Data Manager
	Gain situational awareness and set incident objectives, strategies and tasks	Begin reactive Incident Action Planning process	Incident Commander Planning Section Chief

When (indicative)	Activations		Who
	Objective	Action	
		Go to Section 8 Review First-strike Activations (this table)	
Refer timeframes Section 7	Make regulatory and stakeholder notifications as required Notify and mobilise/put on standby external oil spill response organisations and support organisations, as required	Go to Section 7	Initial notifications by Planning Section Chief Oil Spill Response Organisations (Australian Marine Oil Spill Centre [AMOSC] and Oil Spill Response Ltd [OSRL]) activation by designated call-out authorities (Incident Commanders/Duty Managers)
Refer timeframes Section 10	Implement monitor and evaluate tactics in order to provide situational awareness to inform IMT decision making	Vessel Surveillance (Section 10.1) Aerial Surveillance (Section 10.2) Tracking Buoys (Section 10.3) Oil Spill Trajectory Modelling (Section 10.4) Satellite imagery (Section 10.5) Initial Oil Characterisation (Section 10.6) Operational Water Quality Monitoring (Section 10.7) Shoreline clean-up assessment (Section 10.8)	Operations Section Chief Logistics Section Chief/ Supply Unit Leader Environment Unit Leader
Activate on Day 1 as applicable to the incident	Source control support to stop the release of hydrocarbons into the marine environment. **Degree of IMT support will be scenario-dependent**	Activate the Source Control Plan. Go to Section 9	Operations Section Chief (Source Control Branch Director as appropriate to scenario) Logistics Section Chief/ Supply Unit Leader
Activate on Day 1 as applicable to the incident Refer Section 11	Reduce potential exposure of shorelines and wildlife to floating oil through mechanical dispersion	Activate the Mechanical Dispersion Plan Go to Section 11	Operations Section Chief Logistics Section Chief/ Supply Unit Leader

When (indicative)	Activations		Who
	Objective	Action	
Activate on Day 1 as applicable to the incident Refer Section 16	Assess and monitor impacts from spill and response	Activate the Scientific Monitoring Plan Go to Section 16	Environment Unit Leader Logistics Section Chief/ Supply Unit Leader Operations Section Chief
Day 1	Identify environmental sensitivities at risk and conduct operational Net Environmental Benefit Analysis (NEBA)	Review situational awareness and spill trajectory modelling Review strategic NEBA and begin operational NEBA (Section 6.6)	Environment Unit Leader
Day 1	Develop forward operational base/s to support forward operations	Begin planning for forward operations base as per Forward Operations Plan (Appendix P)	Operations Section Chief Logistics Section Chief/ Supply Unit Leader
Day 1	Ensure the health and safety of spill responders	Identify relevant hazards controls and develop hazard register Begin preparation Site Health and Safety Management requirements Refer Oil Spill Response Health and Safety Management Manual (SO-91-RF-10016)	Safety Officer
If/ when initiated Refer Section 12	Protect identified shoreline protection priorities	Activate the Shoreline Protection and Deflection Plan Go to Section 12	Operations Section Chief Logistics Section Chief / Supply Unit Leader Environment Unit Leader
If/ when initiated Refer Section 14	Prevent or reduce impacts to wildlife	Activate the Oiled Wildlife Response Plan Go to Section 14	Environment Unit Leader Operations Section Chief Logistics Section Chief/ Supply Unit Leader
If/when initiated Refer Section 13	Clean-up oiled shorelines	Activate Shoreline Clean-Up resources Go to Section 13	Operations Section Chief Logistics Section Chief / Supply Unit Leader
If/when initiated	Safely transfer, transport and dispose of waste collected from response activities.	Activate the Waste Management Plan.	Operations Section Chief

When (indicative)	Activations		Who
	Objective	Action	
Refer Section 15		Go to Section 15	Logistics Section Chief/ Supply Unit Leader
IMT Actions (48+ hours)			
Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + For ongoing incident management – indicatively 48 + hours – a formal incident action planning process is to be adopted to continue with spill response strategies identified above. An Incident Action Plan (IAP) is to be developed for each successive operational period. + Santos will maintain control for those activities for which it is the designated Control Agency/ Lead IMT. + Depending on the specifics of the spill, the Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security (DEPWS) or the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) may be relevant Control Agencies (see Section 4.2). + Where another Control Agency has taken control of aspects of the response, Santos will provide support to that Control Agency. Santos’ support to the NT DEPWS (for a spill that impacts the NT shoreline) is detailed in Section 4.2.1. 		Control Agency IMT

3. Introduction

This document is the Oil Pollution Emergency Plan (OPEP) prepared by Santos for the Darwin Pipeline Duplication (DPD) (NT Waters) activities. The OPEP structure has been based broadly on the requirements of *Regulation 14(8) of the Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Environment) Regulations 2009* (OPGS (E) Regulations) and aligns with NOPSEMA jurisdiction OPEPs developed for the Barossa development, although an OPEP in this detailed form is not a specific requirement of environmental legislation applicable to NT waters.

3.1 Description of activity

Santos Ltd. (Santos) is constructing a subsea gas export pipeline between the offshore Barossa field and the existing Darwin Liquefied Natural Gas (DLNG) facility. The Darwin Pipeline Duplication Project involves the installation and pre-commissioning of an approximately 123 km section, including 100 km of pipeline in NT waters and 23 km of pipeline in Commonwealth waters, with a maximum water depth of approximately 53 m (Figure 3-1). This OPEP has been prepared for the construction and operation of DPD activities in NT waters only. A separate OPEP (BAS-210 0026) has been prepared specific to DPD activities in Commonwealth Waters.

The DPD (NT Waters) activities will use multiple vessels including pipelay, construction, rock placement and trenching vessels. Additional detail on the activity, project timing and duration, and equipment to be used are included in Section 2 of the DPD Project – Offshore Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) (BAS-210 0024).

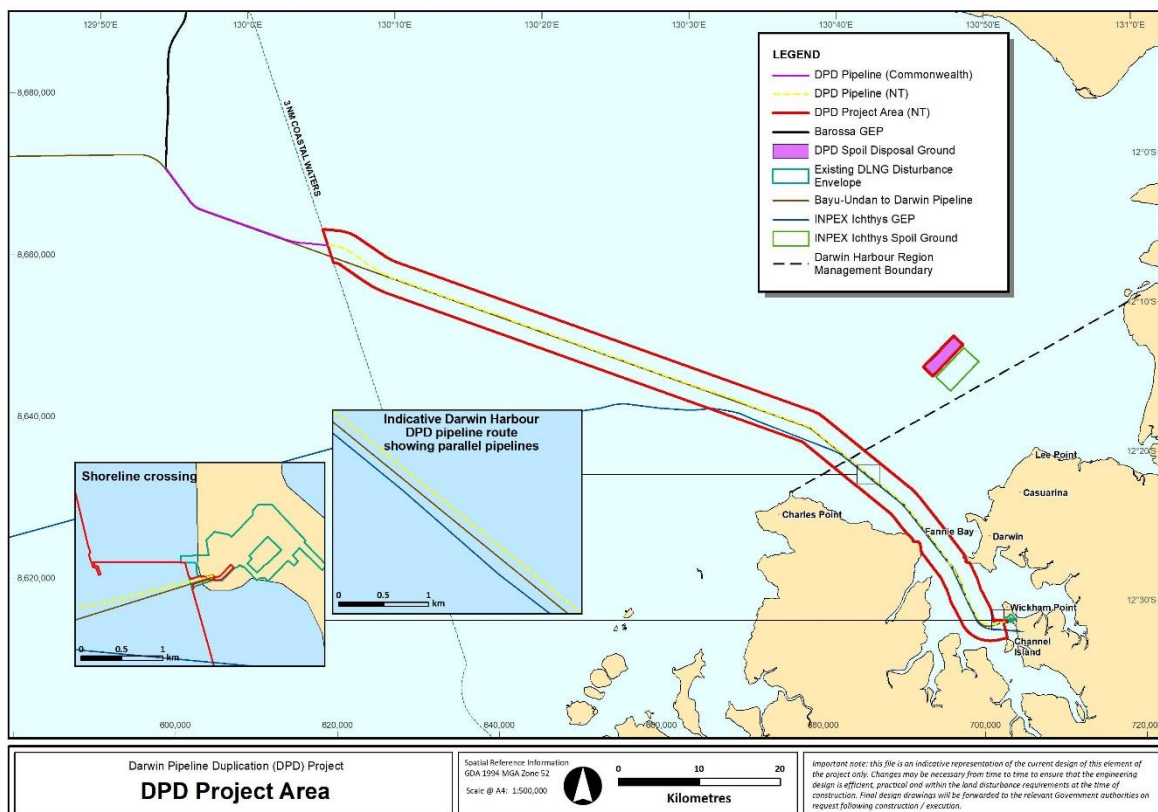


Figure 3-1: Location of the Darwin Pipeline Duplication infrastructure

3.2 Purpose

The purpose of this OPEP is to describe Santos' response to a vessel based hydrocarbon spill during DPD construction and operation activities in NT waters (including Darwin Harbour).

It is consistent with the National and NT systems for oil pollution preparedness and response, being the National Plan for Maritime Environmental Emergencies (AMSA, 2020) managed by AMSA; the NT Oil Spill Contingency Plan (NT, 2014)¹ and Territory Emergency Plan (NT Government, 2021).

This OPEP is to be read in conjunction with the DPD Project CEMP and the DPD Supplementary Environmental Report (SER) (BAS-210 0020) when considering the existing environment, environmental impacts, risk management, performance standards and the reporting compliance requirements.

The response strategies outlined in this OPEP have been developed by Santos based on the credible worst-case hydrocarbon spill scenarios, expected/calculated release rates, known information of hydrocarbon types and behaviour, and expected partitioning of the hydrocarbon within the marine environment with an estimate of the volume of persistent oil. This information has been modelled to give a theoretical zone of dispersion that is used to identify potential sensitive receptors and response strategies required to reduce the consequences of a spill to 'as low as reasonably practicable' (ALARP). The response strategies are identified under a Net Environmental Benefit Analysis (NEBA) process so the most effective response strategies with the lowest environmental consequences can be identified, documented and prepared for.

3.3 Objectives

The aim of this OPEP is to provide detailed guidance to Santos' IMT, so that it will direct its response effort with the aim of preventing long-term significant environmental impacts by safely limiting the adverse environmental effects from an unplanned release of hydrocarbons to the marine environment to a level that is ALARP. This will be achieved through the implementation of the various strategies and spill response mechanisms presented throughout this OPEP. Through their implementation, Santos will:

- + initiate spill response immediately following a spill
- + establish source control as soon as reasonably practicable to minimise the amount of oil being spilt into the environment
- + assess the spill characteristics and understand its fate in order to be able to make informed and clear response decisions
- + monitor the spill to identify the primary marine and coastal resources requiring protection
- + remove as much oil as possible from the marine environment while keeping environmental impacts from the removal methods to ALARP
- + reduce the impacts of the remaining floating and stranded oil to ALARP
- + respond to the spill using efficient response strategies that do not damage the environment themselves
- + comply with all relevant environmental legislation when implementing this OPEP

¹ The arrangements described will be changing based on recent consultation between AEP and NT DEPWS described in Section 4.5.2 of this OSCP

- + conduct all responses safely without causing harm to participants
- + monitor the impacts from a spill until impacted habitats have returned to baseline conditions
- + remain in a state of 'Readiness' at all times for implementation of this OPEP by keeping resources ready for deployment, staff fully trained and completing response exercises as scheduled
- + keep stakeholders informed of the status of the hydrocarbon spill response to aid in the reduction of social and economic impacts.

3.4 Location of activities

The DPD Project development is located within Commonwealth waters, offshore NT waters, Darwin Harbour and the onshore shore crossing. This OPEP is specific to DPD activities in NT Waters (including Darwin Harbour).

Section 2 of the DPD CEMP includes a comprehensive description of the existing environment.

3.5 Interface with internal documents

In addition to this OPEP, a number of other Santos documents provide guidance, instruction and information relevant to spill response, including:

- + Incident Management Plan – Upstream Offshore (SO-00-ZF-00025)
- + Santos Incident Management Handbook
- + Santos Crisis Management Plan (SMS-HSS-OS05-PD03)
- + DPD Supplementary Environmental Report (BAA-210 0020)
- + DPD Project - Offshore Pipeline Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) (BAS-210 0024)
- + Incident Response Telephone Directory (SO-00-ZF-00025.020)
- + Santos Waste Management Plan – Oil Spill Response Support (NT Waters) (BAA-201_0027)
- + Oil Spill Response Health and Safety Management Manual (SO-91-RF-10016)
- + Santos Oiled Wildlife Response Framework Plan (7700-650-PLA-0017)
- + Santos Oiled Wildlife Sample Collection Protocol
- + Oil Spill Scientific Monitoring Plan (EA-00-RI-10099)
- + Oil Spill Scientific Monitoring Standby and Response Manual (EA-00-RI-10162)
- + Oil Spill Scientific Monitoring Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022)
- + Santos Offshore Division Incident and Crisis Management Training and Exercise Plan (SO-92-HG-10001)
- + Santos Offshore Division Oil Spill Response Readiness Guideline (SO-91-OI-20001)
- + Santos Offshore - Oil and Water Sampling Procedures (7710-650-PRO-0008)
- + Santos Marine Vessel Requirements for Oil Spill Response (7710-650-ERP-0001)
- + Santos Oil Spill Response – Forward Operating Base Guideline (SO-91-IF-20017).

3.6 Interface with external documents

Information from the following external documents has been used or referred to within this plan:

- + AMOSPlan – Australian Industry Cooperative Spill Response Arrangements
 - o details the cooperative arrangements for response to oil spills by Australian oil and associated industries.
- + Offshore Petroleum Incident Coordination Framework
 - o provides overarching guidance on the Commonwealth Government’s role and responsibilities in the event of an offshore petroleum incident in Commonwealth waters.
- + National Plan for Maritime Environmental Emergencies (National Plan) and National Marine Oil Spill Contingency Plan
 - o sets out national arrangements, policies and principles for the management of maritime environmental emergencies. The plan provides for a comprehensive response to maritime environmental emergencies regardless of how costs might be attributed or ultimately recovered.
- + Territory Emergency Plan
 - o describes the NT approach to emergency and recovery operations, the governance and coordination arrangements, and roles and responsibilities of agencies (go to https://pfes.nt.gov.au/sites/default/files/uploads/files/2021/NTES_Territory_Emergency_Plan_2021.pdf).
- + NT Oil Spill Contingency Plan
 - o outlines the approach to management of marine oil pollution that are the responsibility of the NT Government (the NTOSCP is currently being revised).
- + Darwin Port Oil Spill Contingency Plan (OSCP)
 - o outlines the steps required for the management of Marine Oil Pollution (MOP) emergencies that are the responsibility of Darwin Port. This includes oil spills from vessels or land-based activities that enter Port waters.
- + NT Oiled Wildlife Response Plan (NTOWRP)
 - o an industry prepared plan, which is designed to ensure timely mobilisation of appropriate resources (equipment and personnel) in the event of an incident affecting wildlife NT waters.
- + Shipboard Oil Pollution Emergency Plans
 - o under International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) Annex I requirements, all vessels of over 400 gross tonnage are required to have a current SOPEP. The SOPEP includes actions to be taken by the crew in the event of an oil spill including steps taken to contain the source with equipment available onboard the vessel.
- + OSRL Associate Agreement
 - o defines the activation and mobilisation methods of OSRL spill response personnel and equipment allocated under contract.
- + Australian Government Coordination Arrangements for Maritime Environmental Emergencies

- provides a framework for the coordination of Australian Government departments and agencies in response to maritime environmental emergencies.

3.7 Document review

This document shall be reviewed and updated by Santos every five years from date of acceptance of the DPD CEMP.

The document may be reviewed and revised more frequently, if required, in accordance with the Santos Management of Change Procedure (EA-91-IQ-10001). This could include changes required in response to one or more of the following:

- + when major changes have occurred that affect oil spill response coordination or capabilities
- + changes to the DPD CEMP or DPD Operations EMP that affect oil spill response coordination or capabilities (e.g. a significant increase in spill risk)
- + following routine testing of the OPEP if improvements or corrections are identified
- + after a Level 2/3 spill incident.

The custodian of the OPEP is the Santos Senior Oil Spill Response Coordinator.

4. Spill management arrangements

4.1 Response levels and escalation criteria

Santos uses a tiered system of three incident response levels consistent with the National Plan (AMSA, 2020). Spill response levels help to identify the severity of an oil spill incident and the level of response required to manage the incident and mitigate environmental impacts. Incident response levels are outlined within the Santos Incident Management Plan – Upstream Offshore (SO-00-ZF-00025) and further detailed in **Table 4-1** for hydrocarbon spills.

Table 4-1: Santos oil spill response levels

Level 1	
An incident which will not have an adverse effect on the public or the environment which can be controlled by the use of resources normally available on site without the need to mobilise the Santos IMT or other external assistance.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Oil is contained within the incident site. + Spill occurs within immediate site proximity. + Discharge in excess of permitted oil in water (OIW) content (15 ppm). + Incident can be managed by the On-site Emergency Response Team (ERT) and its resources. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Source of spill has been contained. + Oil is evaporating quickly and no danger of explosive vapours. + Spill likely to naturally dissipate. + No media interest/not have an adverse effect on the public.
Level 2	
An incident that cannot be controlled by the use of on-site resources alone and requires external support and resources to combat the situation; or An incident that can be controlled on site, but which may have an adverse effect on the public or the environment.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Danger of fire or explosion. + Possible continuous release. + Concentrated oil accumulating in close proximity to the site or vessel. + Potential to impact other installations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Level 1 resources overwhelmed, requiring additional regional resources. + Potential impact to sensitive areas and/or local communities. + Local/national media attention/may adversely affect the public or the environment.
Level 3	
An incident which has a wide-ranging impact on Santos and may require the mobilisation of external state, national or international resources to bring the situation under control.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Loss of well integrity. + Actual or potentially serious threat to life, property, industry. + Major spill beyond site vicinity. + Significant shoreline environmental impact. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Level 2 resources overwhelmed, requiring international assistance. + Level 3 resources to be mobilised. + Significant impact on local communities. + International media attention.

4.2 Jurisdictional authorities and Control Agencies

The responsibility for an oil spill is dependent on location and spill origin. The National Plan (AMSA, 2020) sets out the divisions of responsibility for an oil spill response. Definitions of Control Agency and Jurisdictional Authority are as follows:

- + **Control Agency**²: the organisation assigned by legislation, administrative arrangements or within the relevant contingency plan, to control response activities to a maritime environmental emergency. Control Agencies have the operational responsibility of response activities but may have arrangements in place with other parties to provide response assistance under their direction.
- + **Jurisdictional Authority**: the agency which has responsibility to verify that an adequate spill response plan is prepared and, in the event of an incident, that a satisfactory response is implemented. The Jurisdictional Authority is also responsible for initiating prosecutions and the recovery of clean-up costs on behalf of all participating agencies.

Table 4-2 provides guidance on the designated Control Agency and Jurisdictional Authority for Commonwealth, Territory and International waters and for vessel and petroleum activity spills.

To aid in the determination of a vessel versus a petroleum activity spill, the following guidance is adopted:

- + A vessel is a ship at sea to which the *Navigation Act 2012* applies. Defined by Australian Government Coordination Arrangements for Maritime Environmental Emergencies (AMSA, 2017a) as a seismic vessel, supply or support vessel, or offtake tanker.
- + A petroleum activity includes facilities such as a fixed platform, Floating Production Storage and Offloading / Floating Storage and Offloading, MODU, subsea infrastructure, or a construction, decommissioning and pipelaying vessel. As defined by Schedule 3, Part 1, Clause 4 and Volume 2, Part 6.8, Section 640 of the OPGGS Act 2006.

² Also known as the 'Controlling Authority' in the Northern Territory context as per the Northern Territory Emergency Plan (2021).

Table 4-2: Jurisdictional and Control Agencies for hydrocarbon spills

Jurisdictional boundary	Spill source	Jurisdictional Authority	Control Agency		Relevant documentation
			Level 1	Level 2/3	
Commonwealth waters (three to 200 nautical miles from territory/state sea baseline)	Vessel ³	AMSA	AMSA		Vessel SOPEP National Plan Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication OPEP (this document)
	Petroleum activities ⁴	NOPSEMA	Titleholder		Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication OPEP (this document)
NT waters (Territory waters to three nautical miles and some areas around offshore atolls and islands)	Vessel	NT Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security (DEPWS) ⁵	Vessel owner	DEPWS/ NT Incident Controller (IC) / Territory Emergency Management Council (TEMC) ⁶	Vessel SOPEP Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication OPEP (this document) Relevant NT Oil Spill Contingency Plan
	Petroleum activities	DEPWS ⁵	Titleholder		Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication OPEP (this document) Relevant NT Oil Spill Contingency Plan
Darwin Harbour (south of the outer harbour limits - Charles Point to Lee Point)	Vessel	DEPWS ⁵	Darwin Port	Darwin Port Operator	Vessel SOPEP Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication OPEP (this document) Darwin Port Oil Spill Contingency Plan
	Petroleum activities	DEPWS ⁵	Titleholder / Facility Operator	Darwin Port Operator	Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication OPEP (this document) Darwin Port Oil Spill Contingency Plan

³ Vessels are defined by Australian Government Coordination Arrangements for Maritime Environmental Emergencies (AMSA, 2017a) as a seismic vessel, supply or support vessel.

⁴ Includes a 'facility', such as a fixed platform, FPSO/FSO, MODU, subsea infrastructure, or a construction, decommissioning and pipelaying vessel. As defined by Schedule 3, Part 1, Clause 4 of the OPGGS Act 2006.

⁵ DEPWS is also the Hazard Management Authority

⁶ Combination of DEPWS/TEMC/NT Police may assume the 'Control Agency/Controlling Authority' (CA) role if DEPWS is unable to manage as the CA.

Jurisdictional boundary	Spill source	Jurisdictional Authority	Control Agency		Relevant documentation
			Level 1	Level 2/3	
International waters	All activities	Relevant foreign authority	Santos will liaise with the Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) in the event that an oil spill may enter international waters. Santos will work with DFAT and the respective governments to support response operations ⁷ .		

⁷ AMSA (2017) Coordination of International Incidents: Notification Arrangements Guidance. Guidance NP-GUI-007. Accessed 15th September 2023

4.2.1 Northern Territory spills – NT Government

For a Level 2/3 spill originating from a Santos activity, as soon as possible and within 24 hours of Santos becoming aware of an incident/spill in NT coastal waters or shorelines, Santos will notify the NT Pollution Response Hotline and the DEPWS, in their role as Hazard Management Authority (HMA) for oil spills in NT waters under the ‘all-hazards’ Territory Emergency Plan (TEP) (NT Emergency Services 2022)⁸.

Upon notification of a Level 2/3 spill in NT waters, the DEPWS, as the Control Agency⁹, specifically, the DEPWS CEO in their role as the Territory Marine Pollution Coordinator (TMPC), will notify the Territory Emergency Controller (NT Commissioner of Police or delegate) who will appoint an NT Incident Controller (NT IC). The NT IC will form a NT Incident Management Team (IMT) appropriate to the scale of the incident with representatives from relevant emergency “Functional Groups” as identified under the TEP. If required an IMT will be established, made up of staff from across NT Government. If requested by the NT IC, members from the National Response Team may also be present. The NT IMT will be supported by existing NT emergency response arrangements, as defined in the *NT Emergency Management Act 2013*, through the Territory Emergency Management Council (TEMC) and the TEP.

The NT DEPWS will remain the HMA and Control Agency for spills that originate in NT Waters and move into Commonwealth Waters, including any response activities in Commonwealth Waters.

The Northern Territory Oil Spill Contingency Plan (Northern Territory Government, 2021) is a sub-plan under the TEP. DEPWS has agreed, through consultation with the NT Government and the AEP Oil Spill Preparedness and Response Working Group (20 June 2023), in principle, to utilise the WA DoT Marine Oil Pollution: Response and Consultation Arrangements (WA DoT 2020), as the basis for development of NT cross jurisdictional arrangements. A working group is being established (August 2023) to develop the NT cross-jurisdictional arrangements, which once agreed, will be updated into the NT OSCP. In the interim, the WA DoT (2020) cross jurisdictional guidance can be broadly utilised by titleholders, as reference for how to support the NT IMT.

The NT IC, with advice from NT Environment, Scientific and Technical advisors, will work with the Santos IMT to agree protection priorities and determine the most appropriate response in NT waters. Santos will provide support to the NT IMT from the Santos IMT at the Incident Coordination Centre (ICC) in Perth. The Santos IMT will provide support, including drafting of operational taskings or Incident Action Plans (IAPs), to the NT IC for approval prior to their release/implementation.

At the request of the NT IC, Santos will be required to provide all necessary resources, including personnel and equipment, to assist the NT IMT in performing its duties for NT waters and shorelines. This may include the provision of personnel to:

- + work within the NT IMT located in Darwin; and
- + to assist response activities such as shoreline protection, clean-up and oiled wildlife response.

To facilitate coordination between the NT IMT and Santos IMT during a response, the NT IMT and Santos Forward Operating Base (FOB) will be established to ensure alignment of objectives and provide a mechanism for de-conflicting priorities and resourcing requests directly between the Santos IMT in Perth and NT IMT in Darwin.

The NT Government and relevant Control Agency plans to utilise the *Northern Territory Oiled Wildlife Response Plan* (AMOSC, 2019) as the basis for the determination of protection priorities and shoreline response planning.

⁸ At the time of writing this document (August 2023) the NT Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security (DEPWS) is the ‘Controlling Authority’ and Hazard Management Authority for oil spills in NT waters (excluding Darwin Harbour) under the ‘all-hazards’ Territory Emergency Plan (TEP) (NT Emergency Services 2022).;

⁹ This term is known as the ‘Controlling Authority’ in the Northern Territory Emergency Plan

4.2.2 Darwin Harbour spills – NT Government and Darwin Port

For all Level 2/3 spills within Darwin Harbour (south of the outer harbour limits, from Charles Point to Lee Point) DEPWS remain the Hazard Management Authority, as outlined above, while the Darwin Port Operator assumes the role of Control Agency. All spills that cross the Darwin Harbour boundary remain the responsibility of the Control Agency at the source of the spill.

4.2.3 Vessel Spills - Australian Maritime Safety Authority

While Santos and the NT DEPWS would be Control Agencies initially for any spill (including those originating from vessels) in Territory waters (as outlined in **Section 4.2**), if a vessel spill in Territory waters enters Commonwealth waters, AMSA may also become a (or the) Control Agency for the response in Commonwealth waters. Arrangements for coordination and potential transfer of Control Agency status are outlined in AMSA Guidance Note NP-GUI-023: Coordination of Cross-Border Incidents (AMSA, 2017b).

AMSA is to be notified immediately of all ship-source incidents through the AMSA Joint Rescue Coordination Centre (JRCC) Australia (Santos Incident Response Telephone Directory [SO-00-ZF-00025.020]).

AMSA manages the National Plan, Australia's key maritime emergency contingency and response plan (AMSA, 2020). AMSA fulfils its obligations under the National Plan for non-ship source pollution incidents on the formal request from the respective Offshore Petroleum Incident Controller/s (AMSA, 2021a). AMSA also has a range of [National Plan supporting documents](#) containing related policies, guidance and advisory information.

For any oil pollution event, Santos agrees to notify AMSA immediately in the interests of facilitating the most efficient and effective response to the incident.

4.3 Interface with external organisations

Santos has contracts in place enabling access to Oil Spill Response Organisations (OSROs). OSROs have put specific measures in place to ensure that they are able to continue to meet their commitments to members. This support can be provided directly or remotely to aid the IMT and/or ERT.

4.3.1 Australian Marine Oil Spill Centre

Santos is a Participating Member of AMOSC and as such has access to AMOSC equipment and personnel as outlined in the [AMOSPlan](#) (AMOSC, 2021).

AMOSC has contracts with all its member companies to enable the immediate release of Core Group personnel to be made available for any Santos requirements, as outlined in Santos' *Master Service Contract* and *Principle and Agency Agreement* with AMOSC.

The mutual aid arrangements that AMOSC operates under are collaborated under the AMOSPlan, and are activated via the AMOSC Duty Officer. This provides the mechanism for members of AMOSC to access oil spill response capability of other members. To further enhance the mutual aid arrangements, Santos, Chevron, Woodside and Jadestone have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) that defines the group's mutual aid arrangements. Under this MoU, Santos, Chevron, Woodside and Jadestone have agreed to use their reasonable endeavours to assist in the provision of emergency response services, personnel, consumables and equipment.

4.3.2 Oil Spill Response Limited

Through an associate membership, Santos has access to spill response services from OSRL with offices in Perth, Singapore, UK and at other various locations around the globe. In the event of a Level 2/3 response, Santos could access OSRL's international personnel, equipment and

dispersants to supplement resources available within Australia. Santos may also call on OSRL for technical services to support its IMT.

Response equipment and personnel are allocated on a 50% of inventory basis under OSRL's Service Level Agreement (SLA).

5. Santos incident management arrangements

5.1 Incident management structure

The Santos IMT (Perth) and Crisis Management Team (CMT) will be activated in the event of a Level 2/3 hydrocarbon spill regardless of the type of spill or jurisdiction. Santos maintains internal resources (trained personnel and equipment) across its activities that provide first strike response capability and to also support an ongoing response. Should an incident occur, the IMT Duty Manager would be notified immediately. This rostered role is on-call, filled by trained Incident Commanders and available 24 hours/day and 7 days/week. The IMT Duty Manager would then activate the IMT via an automated call-out system. Documentation required in a response is accessed via the Santos Emergency Response (ER) intranet site.

As outlined in **Section 4**, control of the response may be taken over by the relevant Control Agency as the incident progresses. The Santos response structure to a major emergency incident is detailed in the Santos Incident Management Plan – Upstream Offshore (SO-00-ZF-00025) and the Santos Incident Management Handbook. The Incident Management Plan – Upstream Offshore and Santos Incident Management Handbook describe response planning and incident management that would operate under emergency conditions – describing how the Santos IMT operates and interfaces with the CMT and external parties.

The first priority of an escalating oil spill response to a Level 2/3 spill is the formation of an IMT and establishment of an Incident Coordination Centre (ICC)¹⁰. The ongoing involvement of the IMT and CMT will be dependent on the severity and type of spill and the obligations of Santos and other agencies/authorities in the coordinated spill response.

Santos' incident response structure relevant to a Barossa DPD (NT Waters) activities includes:

- + Facility-based ERT
- + Santos IMT – Perth-based ICC to coordinate and execute responses to an oil spill incident¹¹
- + Santos CMT – to coordinate and manage threats to the company's reputation and to handle Santos' corporate requirements in conjunction with the Perth-based Santos – Vice President Offshore Upstream WA
- + Other field-based command, response and monitoring teams for implementing strategies outlined within the OPEP.

The Santos incident response organisational structure is defined in the Incident Management Plan – Upstream and Offshore (SO-00-ZF-00025) and Santos Incident Management Handbook, and in **Figure 5-1** for reference. The Santos IMT roles and field-based teams are scalable; roles can be activated and mobilised according to the nature and scale of the incident response.

In the event of a Level 2 or 3 spill event, Santos will review the Relevant Persons identification process described in Section 4.2 of the Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication Environment Plan (BAA-200 0074). Relevant Persons, whose functions, interests or activities that may be affected by the spill event or response arrangements will be identified and engaged in accordance with the Santos incident management process, noting notification and communications requests made by Relevant Persons during consultation with respect to emergency situations.

¹⁰ The Santos ICC is located in the Santos WA Perth office.

¹¹ Note, for a protracted response consideration may be given to transitioning the IMT to Darwin if deemed appropriate and requested by the HMA.

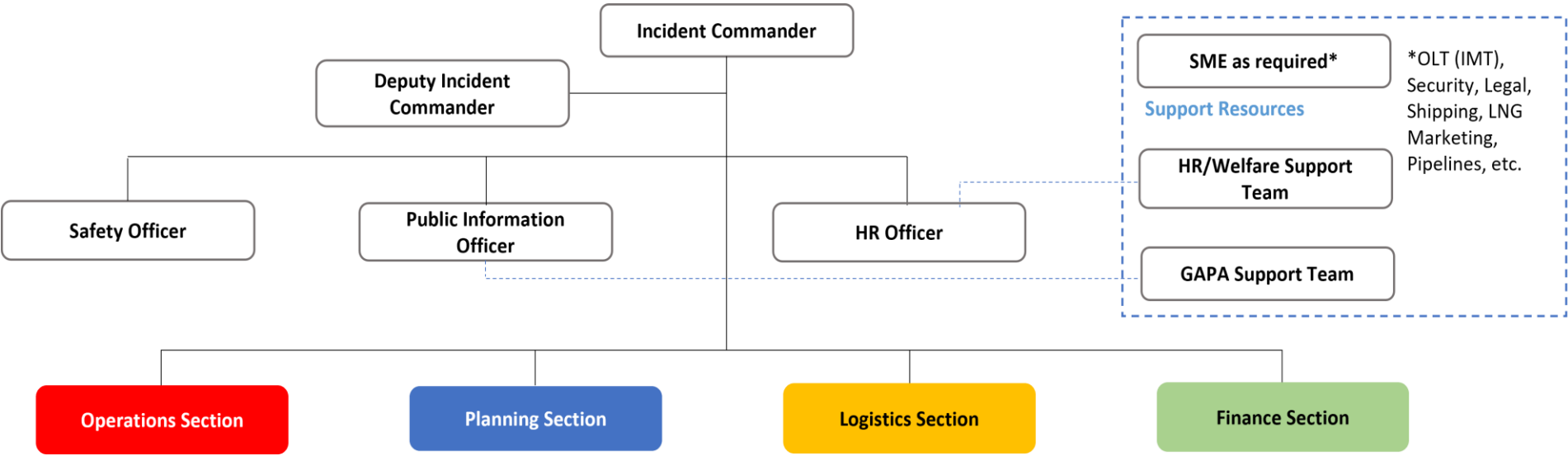


Figure 5-1: Santos incident management team organisational structure

5.2 Roles and responsibilities

The following tables provide an overview of the responsibilities of the Santos CMT (**Table 5-1**), IMT (**Table 5-2**), and ERT in responding to an incident (**Table 5-3**). Not all of the roles listed are shown in **Figure 5-1**, as some of the roles in **Table 5-2** are support roles or are specific to a particular response strategy. Full responsibilities checklists/job cards of each role are described in the Incident Management Plan – Upstream Offshore (SO-00-ZF-00025), Santos Incident Management Handbook and Santos Crisis Management Plan (SMS-HSS-OS05-PD03) to support the incident action planning process.

The IMT and ERT are scalable to the nature and scale of the response i.e. one person can take on multiple roles or one role can be filled by multiple people, where circumstances permit.

DEPWS has agreed, through consultation with the NT Government and the AEP Oil Spill Preparedness and Response Working Group (20 June 2023), in principle, to utilise the [WA DoT Offshore Petroleum Industry Guidance Note – Marine Oil pollution: Response and Consultation Arrangements](#) (WA DoT 2020) as the basis for development of NT cross jurisdictional arrangements¹². **Table 5-4** provides indicative roles and responsibilities of Santos personnel that may be required to work within the NT IMT, based on WA DoT (2020) cross jurisdictional guidance.

Table 5-1: Roles and responsibilities in the Santos Crisis Management Team

Santos CMT Role	Main Responsibilities
Crisis Management Chair (CEO)	The CM Chair (Santos Chief Executive Officer) is responsible for the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Leads crisis management direction + Provides governance and oversight of CMT operations. + Provides enterprise and strategic direction to the CMT for the resolution of the crisis event. + Delegates the CM Lead role and accountability to the appropriate ExCom designee. + Engage with the CM Lead to endorse the crisis resolution plan. + Liaise with the Santos Board and strategic stakeholders. + Provide the full extent of the company’s resources to bring about a resolution and recovery from the crisis impact.
CMT Lead/ Duty Manager	The CMT Lead is responsible for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Determine the need for establishing a Level 3 response and for activating the CMT. + Determine which / if any Crisis Management Support Teams (CMST) are mobilised. + Leading the crisis resolution process. + Ensures internal and external notifications to key stakeholders. + Uses the crisis resolution process to determine enterprise level impacts (potential or actual) and strategic objectives. + Ensures a crisis resolution plan is developed and direct the CMT functions to implement strategies, action plans and tasks. + Determines when it is appropriate to conclude the crisis response and stand down all or a portion of the CMT.

¹² A working group is being established (August 2023) to develop the NT cross-jurisdictional arrangements, which once agreed, will be updated into the NT OSCP. In the interim, the WA DoT (2020) cross jurisdictional guidance can be broadly utilised by titleholders, as reference for how to support the NT IMT.

Santos CMT Role	Main Responsibilities
CMT Information Management	<p>The CMT Information Managers directly support the CMT as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Support the CMT during crisis management operations. + Sets up the crisis management room, assist with set-up of communications, video conferences and information transfer within the CMT. + Advises on CMT operating processes and available resources. + Assisting with reserving break out rooms for the CMT functions and CMSTs. + Ensuring CMT crisis resolution forms are used and displayed on the monitors. + Provides incident action plan information when an IMT is established. + Monitoring and managing the welfare needs of the CMT.
Crisis Management Advisor	<p>The Crisis Management Advisor is responsible for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Provides CMT process guidance and advice to CMT Lead, Function Leads, and CMST. + Supports and facilitates the crisis resolution planning process. + Acts as the liaison between the CMT and IMT. + Work with CMT Information Managers to manage roster and handovers for extended CMT operations. + Schedules and facilitates post crisis debriefs and after-action reviews. <p>The Crisis Management Advisor will support the CMT Lead as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Facilitates CMT activation requirements with the CMT Lead. + Assists the CMT Lead in maintaining an ongoing assessment of incident potential and analysis of stakeholder impacts. + Advises the CMT Lead on CMT structure and requirements for CMST engagement. + Coordinates tasks delegated by CMT Lead. + Provide tools to the CMT Lead for review and crisis assessment meetings.
CMT Function Leads	<p>CMT Function Leads include Leads for the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Legal Counsel and Risk, + Environment Health Safety and Security, + Operating Unit VP + People + Government and Public Affairs (GAPA), + Media and Communications <p>The CMT Function Leads are responsible for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Participate and contribute to the crisis resolution planning process. + Each Function Lead shall determine critical communications pertaining to their area. + Mobilise and coordinate activities of the function CMST. + Advise the CMT Lead on strategic impacts, threats and mitigation created by the crisis event. + Develop and execute strategies to meet objectives endorsed by the CM Chair. + Provide support and resources via the CMST to divisional IMTs. + Ensures critical actions, decisions or points of strategic criticality are included in the CMT log. + Participates in the crisis management debrief and after-action reviews.

Table 5-2: Roles and responsibilities in the Santos Incident Management Team

Santos Management/ IMT Role	Main Responsibilities
Vice President Offshore (VPO) Upstream WA/NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Depending on the level of the incident, the VPO (and/or their delegate) will act as the primary liaison to the CMT Duty Manager. + On the activation of the IMT, the VP is advised by the IMT Duty Manager.
Incident Commander	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Incident Commander is responsible for the overall management of the incident. Will set response objectives and strategic directions and oversee the development and implementation of Incident Action Plans
Safety Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Safety Officer is responsible to develop and recommend measures for assuring personnel safety and to assess and/or anticipate hazardous and unsafe situations. Safety Officer may have specialists as necessary.
Public Information Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Public Information Officer is responsible for developing and releasing information about the incident to media, incident personnel and to appropriate agencies and organisations
Human Resources Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + HR Officer is responsible for advising and assisting the Incident Commander, Command Staff and Section Chiefs on any HR related aspects of an incident.
Operations Section Chief*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + The Operation Section Chief leads the Operations Section within the IMT and is responsible for the management of all tactical operations directly applicable to the primary assignments. The Operations Section Chief activates and supervises operational elements in accordance with the IAP and directs its execution.
Air Operations Branch Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + The Air Operations Branch Director is ground-based and is primarily responsible for the coordination of the air operations section (ICS 220) of the IAP and for providing logistical support to incident aircraft.
Offshore Response Branch Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + The Offshore Response Branch Director is responsible for leading the offshore response activities. Depending on the size and nature of the incident, various, groups, teams and task forces will be implemented including Mechanical Dispersion group.
Monitoring Branch Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Working closely with the Environmental Unit, the Monitoring Branch Director will be responsible for implementing the operational and scientific monitoring plans required based on the nature and scale of the incident.
Wildlife Response Branch Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Working with relevant territory authorities, the Wildlife Response Branch Director will be responsible for implementing the OWR plan for the incident including the deployment of equipment and personnel required.
Waste Branch Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + The Waste Branch Director is responsible for coordinating the on-site activities of personnel engaged in collecting, storing, transporting and disposing of waste materials, in compliance with the IAP.
Shoreline Clean-up Branch Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + The Shoreline Clean-up Branch Director is responsible for leading all shoreline response activities working closely with the Shoreline Response Program Manager and shoreline clean-up supervisors and various locations.
Planning Section Chief*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Planning Section Chief will lead the Planning Section within the IMT and is responsible for the collection, evaluation, dissemination and use of incident information and maintaining status of assigned resources.

Santos Management/ IMT Role	Main Responsibilities
Situation Unit Leader	+ The Situation Unit Leader is responsible for collecting, processing, and organizing incident information relating to escalation, mitigation or intelligence activities taking place in an incident. The Situation Unit will be responsible for preparing future projections of incident growth, maps, and intelligence information.
Resources Unit Leader	+ The Resource Unit Leader is responsible for maintaining the status of all assigned tactical resources and personnel at an incident. The Resource Unit will oversee the check-in of all tactical resources and personnel, maintaining a status-keeping system indicating current location and status of all the resources.
Documentation Unit Leader	+ The Documentation Unit Lead is responsible for maintenance of accurate, up-to-date incident files including Incident Action Plans. Incident reports, communication logs, situation status reports etc.
Environment Unit Leader	+ The Environment Unit Leader is responsible for environmental matters associated with the response, including strategic assessment, modelling, surveillance and environmental monitoring and permitting.
Technical Specialists	+ Certain incidents may require the use of Technical Specialists who have specialized knowledge or expertise. Technical Specialists may function within the Planning Section or be assigned wherever their services are required. Santos will activate Technical Specialists, based on the requirements of the incident, through a range of arrangements and this may include, Modelling Specialist, Operational/Scientific Monitoring Specialist, Response Technology Specialist, Waste Management Specialist, etc.
Logistics Section Chief*	+ Logistics Section Chief is responsible for providing facilities, services and materials in support of the incident. The Logistics Section Chief participates in the development and implementation of the Logistics Section of the IAP.
Services Branch Director	+ Service Branch Director, when activated is under the supervision of the Logistics Section Chief and is responsible for the management of all service activities for the incident including the operations of the Communications, Medical and Food Units.
Support Branch Director	+ Support Branch Director, when activated, is under the supervision of Logistics Section Chief and is responsible for the development and implementation of logistics plan in support of the IAP. The Support Branch supervises the operations of the Supply, Facilities, Ground Support and Vessel Support Units.
Finance Section Chief*	+ Finance Section Chief is responsible for all the financial, administrative and cost analysis aspects of the incident and for supervising members of the Finance Section
Procurement Unit Leader	+ The Procurement Unit Leader is responsible for administering all financial matters pertaining to vendor contracts and leases. The Procurement Unit Leader will execute all procurements in accordance with the policies and procedures of Santos.
Claims Unit Leader	+ The Claims Unit Leader is responsible for the management and direction of all administrative matters pertaining to compensation and claims related matters for any incident.
Cost Unit Leader	+ The Cost Unit Leader is responsible for collecting all cost data and providing cost estimated and any cost saving recommendations for the incident.

* Note: The Section Chiefs are supported by various other roles that will be mobilised depending on the severity of the incident.

Table 5-3: Roles and responsibilities in the field-based response team

Field-based position	Main responsibilities
On-Scene Commander¹³	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Assess facility-based situations / incidents and respond accordingly. + Single point of communications between facility/site and IMT. + Communicate the incident response actions and delegate actions to the Incident Commander. + Manage the incident in accordance with Facility Incident Response Plan, Third Party Incident Response Plan, and/or activity-specific Oil Spill Contingency Plan or OPEP. + Coordinate medical evacuations as required. + Refer to the Facility Incident Response Plan for detailed descriptions of roles and responsibilities.
Company Site Representative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Notify the Perth-based Incident Commander of oil spills. + Coordinate on-site monitoring of oil spill and ongoing communication with Incident Commander.
Medical Evacuation Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Manage all medical and transportation requirements related to injured personnel to an appropriate medical facility. + Refer to the Medical Evacuation Procedure (SO-91-IF-00020) for detailed descriptions of roles and responsibilities within the Medical Evacuation Team.
Emergency Commander / Division Commander	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Coordinate the field response as outlined in the First Strike Response Plan and/or Incident Action Plan developed by the IMT. + Command an FOB for the coordination of resources mobilised to site.
Oil Spill Response Teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Respond to oil spills to minimise the impacts to as low as reasonably practicable. + Refer to activity-specific Oil Spill Contingency Plans (OSCP) and OPEP for detailed descriptions of roles and responsibilities within the Off-Asset Oil Spill Response Team
Wildlife Response Branch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Respond to oiled wildlife incidents to minimise the impacts to wildlife. + Refer to the Santos Oiled Wildlife Response Framework Plan (7700-650-PLA-0017) for a description of the wildlife response branch and the Santos Incident Management Handbook for detailed descriptions of roles and responsibilities within the Oiled Wildlife Response Team.
Monitoring Branch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Monitor the impacts and recovery to sensitive receptors from an oil spill and associated response actions. + Refer to the Oil Spill Scientific Monitoring Standby and Response Manual (EA-00-RI-10162) for detail on Scientific Monitoring Team roles and responsibilities.

Table 5-4: Indicative santos personnel roles embedded within the NT IMT

Santos roles embedded within the NT IMT	Main responsibilities
CMT Liaison Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Provide a direct liaison between the Santos CMT and the NT IMT. + Facilitate effective communications and coordination between the Santos CMT Lead and the NT IMT.

¹³ The OSC is generally the Santos Company Representative or the Vessel Master .

Santos roles embedded within the NT IMT	Main responsibilities
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Offer advice to NT IMT on matters pertaining to Santos crisis management policies and procedures.
<p>Deputy Incident Controller</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Provide a direct liaison between the NT IMT and the Santos IMT. + Facilitate effective communications and coordination between the Santos Incident Commander and the NT Incident Controller. + Offer advice to the NT Incident Controller on matters pertaining to the Santos incident response policies and procedures. + Offer advice to the Safety Coordinator on matters pertaining to Santos safety policies and procedures particularly as they relate to Santos employees or contractors operating under the control of the NT IMT.
<p>Deputy Intelligence Officer</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + As part of the NT IMT Intelligence Team, assist the Intelligence Officer in the performance of their duties in relation to situation and awareness. + Facilitate the provision of relevant modelling and predications from the Santos IMT. + Assist in the interpretation of modelling and predictions originating from the Santos IMT. + Facilitate the provision of relevant situation and awareness information originating from the NT IMT to the Santos IMT. + Facilitate the provision of relevant mapping from the Santos IMT. + Assist in the interpretation of mapping originating from the Santos IMT. + Facilitate the provision of relevant mapping originating from the Santos IMT.
<p>Deputy Planning Officer</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + As part of the NT IMT Planning Team, assist the Planning Officer in the performance of their duties in relation to the interpretation of existing response plans and the development of incident action plans and related sub-plans + Facilitate the provision of relevant IAP and sub-plans from the Santos IMT. + Assist in the interpretation of the Santos OPEP from Santos. + Assist in the interpretation of the Santos IAP and sub-plans from the Santos IMT. + Facilitate the provision of relevant IAP and sub-plans originating from the NT IMT to the Santos IMT. + Assist in the interpretation of Santos' existing resource plans. + Facilitate the provision of relevant components of the resource sub-plan originating from the NT IMT to the Santos IMT. <p><i>(Note this individual must have intimate knowledge of the relevant Santos OPEP and planning processes).</i></p>
<p>Environment Support Officer</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + As part of the Intelligence Team, assist the Environment Coordinator in the performance of their duties in relation to the provision of environmental support into the planning process. + Assist in the interpretation of the Santos OPEP and relevant Tactical Response Plan (TRPs). + Facilitate in requesting, obtaining and interpreting environmental monitoring data originating from the Santos IMT. + Facilitate the provision of relevant environmental information and advice originating from the NT IMT to the Santos IMT.

Santos roles embedded within the NT IMT	Main responsibilities
Deputy Public Information Officer¹⁴	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + As part of the Public Information Team, provide a direct liaison between the Santos Media team and NT IMT Media team. + Facilitate effective communications and coordination between Santos and NT IMT media teams¹⁵. + Assist in the release of joint media statements and conduct of joint media briefings. + Assist in the release of joint information and warnings through the NT IMT Information & Warnings team. + Offer advice to the NT IMT Media Coordinator on matters pertaining to Santos media policies and procedures. + Facilitate effective communications and coordination between Santos and NT IMT Community Liaison teams. + Assist in the conduct of joint community briefings and events. + Offer advice to the NT IMT Community Liaison Coordinator on matters pertaining to Santos community liaison policies and procedures. + Facilitate the effective transfer of relevant information obtained from the Contact Centre to the Santos IMT.
Deputy Logistics Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + As part of the Logistics Team, assist the Logistics Officer in the performance of their duties in relation to the provision of supplies to sustain the response effort. + Facilitate the acquisition of appropriate supplies through Santos' existing OSRL, AMOSC and private contract arrangements. + Collects Request Forms from NT IMT to action via the Santos IMT. <i>(Note this individual must have intimate knowledge of the relevant Santos logistics processes and contracts).</i>
Deputy Waste Management Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + As part of the Operations Team, assist the Waste Management Coordinator in the performance of their duties in relation to the provision of the management and disposal of waste collected in Territory waters. + Facilitate the acquisition of appropriate services and supplies through Santos' existing private contract arrangements related to waste management. + Collects Waste Collection Request Forms from NT IMT to action via the Santos IMT.
Deputy Finance Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + As part of the Finance Team, assist the Finance Officer in the performance of their duties in relation to the setting up and payment of accounts for those services acquired through Santos' existing OSRL, AMOSC and private contract arrangements. + Facilitate the communication of financial monitoring information to Santos to allow them to track the overall cost of the response. + Assist the Finance Officer in the tracking of financial commitments through the response, including the supply contracts commissioned directly by the NT IMT and to be charged back to Santos.

¹⁴ In the event of an incident, Santos can provide the NT IMT with a list of agencies, organisations, representative bodies, and other stakeholders that were consulted in the development of the Environment Plan to assist with the management and provision of public information.

¹⁵ In the event the NT IMT assumes the role of Control Agency in Territory waters, Santos acknowledges that the NT IMT will be the lead IMT for public information and warnings and community liaison. In such circumstances, Santos retains the right to manage its own media interests, but acknowledges the strong preference for NT IMT and Santos to issue joint media statements and conduct joint media conferences and the importance of close liaison between the respective Media Teams.

Santos roles embedded within the NT IMT	Main responsibilities
Deputy Operations Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + As part of the Operations Team, assist the Operations Officer in the performance of their duties in relation to the implementation and management of operational activities undertaken to resolve an incident. + Facilitate effective communications and coordination between the Santos Operations Section and the NT IMT Operations Section. + Offer advice to the NT IMT Operations Officer on matters pertaining to Santos incident response procedures and requirements. + Identify efficiencies and assist to resolve potential conflicts around resource allocation and simultaneous operations of Santos and NT IMT response efforts.
Deputy Division Commander (FOB)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + As part of the Field Operations Team, assist the Division Commander in the performance of their duties in relation to the oversight and coordination of field operational activities undertaken in line with the IMT Operations Section's direction. + Provide a direct liaison between Santos' Forward Operations Base/s (FOB/s) and the NT IMT FOB. + Facilitate effective communications and coordination between Santos FOB Operations Commander and the NT IMT Division Commander. + Offer advice to the NT IMT FOB Operations Commander on matters pertaining to Santos incident response policies and procedures. + Assist the Safety Coordinator deployed in the FOB in the performance of their duties, particularly as they relate to Santos employees or contractors. + Offer advice to the Senior Safety Officer deployed in the FOB on matters pertaining to Santos safety policies and procedures.

5.3 Cost recovery

Santos has financial assurances in place to cover any costs, expenses and liabilities arising from carrying out its petroleum activities, including major oil spills. This includes costs incurred by relevant Control Agencies (e.g., NT DEPWS) and third-party spill response service providers.

5.4 Training and exercises

In order to refresh IMT roles and responsibilities and provide familiarisation with OPEP processes and arrangements, IMT workshops are conducted as per the Santos Offshore Division Incident and Crisis Management Training and Exercise Plan (SO-92-HG-10001).

To familiarise the IMT with functions and processes, an OPEP Desktop and Activation Exercise is undertaken as per the Santos Offshore Division Incident and Crisis Management Training and Exercise Plan (SO-92-HG-10001). Exercise planning takes into consideration virtual/remote access requirements.

All workshops and exercises undertaken are recorded in the Santos EHS Toolbox, with the key recommendations recorded and tracked.

5.4.1 Incident management team training and exercises

Santos provides training to its personnel to fill all required positions within the IMT.

Competency is maintained through participation in regular response exercises and workshops. Exercise and training requirements for Santos' IMT members are summarised in **Table 5-5**.

Table 5-5: Training and exercise requirements for incident management team positions

IMT Role	Exercise	Training
Incident Commander	One Level 3 exercise annually or two Level 2 exercises annually ¹⁶	+ PMAOMIR418 + AMOSC – IMO3 equiv. Oil Spill Response Command & Control
Operations Section Chief		+ PMAOMIR322 + AMOSC – IMO3 equiv. Oil Spill Response Command & Control
Planning Section Chief Logistics Section Chief Environment Unit Leader		+ PMAOMIR322 + AMOSC – IMO2 equiv. Oil Spill Response Management
Safety Officer Supply Unit Leader GIS Team Leader Data Manager ¹⁷ HR Officer Situation Unit Leader Documentation Unit Leader IMT Log & Situation		+ PMAOMIR322 + AMOSC – Oil Spill Response Familiarisation Training

5.4.2 Oil spill responder training

Santos has an internal capability of trained oil spill responders who can be deployed in the field in a spill response and has access to external, trained spill responder resources (**Table 5-6**).

Table 5-6: Spill responder personnel resources

Responder	Role	Training	Available Number
Santos AMOSC Core Group Responders	Santos personnel trained and competency assessed by AMOSC as the AMOSC Core Group. Deployed by IMT for spill response operations.	AMOSC Core Group Workshop (refresher training undertaken every two years). AMOSC – IMO1 equiv. Oil Spill Response Operations	12
Santos Facility Emergency Response Teams	Present at Facility for first-strike response to incidents.	Internal Santos training and exercises as defined in each facility's Emergency Response Plan OSC to have AMOSC – Oil Spill Response Familiarisation Training.	One Emergency Response (ER) team per operational facility per shift

¹⁶ All IMT members are required to participate in at least one Level 3 exercise every two years

¹⁷ Data Manager is an administrative support role, not an IMT role, but is included here for completeness

Responder	Role	Training	Available Number
Santos Aerial Observers	Undertake aerial surveillance of spill. Deployed by IMT in the aerial surveillance aircrafts.	AMOSC – Aerial Surveillance Course (refresher training undertaken tri-annually).	7
Santos Oil Spill Response Team	Provides a pool of Santos employees trained to perform leadership roles in an IMT or in the field during an oil spill response.	As per the Santos OSR training matrix	140
AMOSC Core Group Oil Spill Responders	Industry personnel as the AMOSC Core Group, available to Santos under the AMOSPlan. For providing incident management (IMT) and operations (field response) assistance.	AMOSC Core Group Workshop (refresher training undertaken every two years). AMOSC – IMO1 equiv. Oil Spill Response Operations and/or IMO2 equiv. Oil Spill Response Management	As defined in Core Group Member Reports ¹⁸ Target to maintain at least 84 members (Ref.: AMOSC Core Group Program and Policies)
OSRL Oil Spill Response Personnel	Oil Spill Response Ltd professionals, providing technical, incident management and operational advice and assistance available under Santos-OSRL contract.	As per OSRL training and competency matrix.	18 responders guaranteed 80 responders may be approved under best endeavours
AMOSC Staff	Professionals, providing technical, incident management and operational advice and assistance available under Santos-AMOSC contract.	As per AMOSC training and competency matrix.	16 ¹⁹
Oiled Wildlife Response Roles	Refer to Section 14 and Appendix L		
Monitoring Service Provider: Monitoring Coordination Team (MCT) and Scientific Monitoring Plan Teams	Monitoring Coordination Team (MCT) Scientific Monitoring Plan Teams: Technical Advisers Field Team Leader Field Team Member	As defined in the Oil Spill Scientific Monitoring Standby and Response Manual (EA-00-RI-10162)	Capability defined in Monthly Capability Reports. MCT – 5 Scientific Monitoring Plan Teams 12+ per team

¹⁸ An average of 51 personnel as of June 2023 (AMOSC Member's website)

¹⁹ AMOSC has a permanent staff of 16 available on a 24/7 basis (AMOSC Plan, 2021), 12 of which are available for field response, and 4 for admin/management support roles.

Responder	Role	Training	Available Number
Tiwi Islands Ranger Groups	Rapid assessment for incidents with the potential to contact Tiwi Islands	Subject to the availability and the participation of the Tiwi Islands Ranger Groups, Santos undertakes to train the Tiwi Islands Ranger Groups prior to the activity and provide additional on the job training post-spill to additional personnel (if required).	10-20 Tiwi Island Rangers (subject to availability)
Level 1 Oiled Wildlife Responders (Workforce Hire)	Provide oiled wildlife support activities under supervision.	No previous training required; on the job training provided.	Nominally over 1,000
First Nations groups (as agreed through the post acceptance consultation implementation process and through the NLC)	<i>To be determined through post acceptance consultation</i>	<i>To be determined through post acceptance consultation</i>	<i>To be determined through post acceptance consultation</i>

In addition to the resources listed in **Table 5-6**, the following resources are available for spill response and may be activated by the relevant Control Agency:

- + National Plan: National Response Team – Trained oil spill response specialists, including aerial observers, containment and recovery crews, and shoreline clean-up personnel, will be deployed under the direction of the relevant Control Agency. The National Response Team is trained and managed in accordance with the National Response Team Policy, approved by the National Plan Strategic Coordination Committee (AMSA, 2021b).
- + NT Oil Spill Contingency Plan (NT OSCP): NT Response Team are available to assist under the jurisdiction of the NT IMT. NT Response Team members remain trained and accredited in line with the NT OSCP.

In the event of a spill, the trained spill responders listed in **Table 5-6** would be required to undertake various roles in key spill response operations, including operational monitoring, shoreline protection, shoreline clean-up, oiled wildlife response and scientific monitoring.

In the event of a spill, Team Leader roles for protection and deflection and shoreline clean-up would be filled through Santos’ AMOSC Core Group Responders and then industry Core Group Responders.

5.5 Response testing arrangements and audits

Santos has oil spill response testing arrangements in place in accordance with the Santos Offshore Oil Spill Response Readiness Guideline (SO-91-OI-20001) which provides a process for continual monitoring of OSRO capability. This also includes regular oil spill response equipment inventory checks from the various sources. Testing of key response provider arrangements may be done as part of larger exercises or as standalone tests where the capability and availability of resources through the response provider are assessed against the performance requirement.

5.5.1 Testing arrangements

Not all spill preparedness and response arrangements will be tested simultaneously. The frequency of testing will relate to the potential spill level, spill risk and complexity of response.

Santos employs a range of tests to ensure that the various response arrangements function as required. These tests include:

1. Contract/ Plan Review
2. Audit
3. Notification/ Communication Check
4. Desktop Exercise
5. Deployment Exercise
6. Level 2/3 IMT Exercise

The above tests and the testing schedule are detailed in full within the Santos Offshore Oil Spill Response Readiness Guideline (SO-91-OI-20001). Objectives are set for the various tests identified for each of the response arrangements. The effectiveness of response arrangements against these objectives are assessed using pre-identified Key Performance Indicators (KPIs).

All testing activities are documented, and all reports generated will be saved in Santos's EHS Toolbox system. Once completed, records of testing arrangements are entered into the Santos EHS Toolbox and any actions, recommendations or corrective actions identified are assigned a responsible party for completion and tracked to closure. The status of completion is tracked through the 'Action module' in the EHS Toolbox and communicated widely through monthly EHS KPI reporting.

Testing objectives and KPIs are developed in order to test the response arrangements specified in this OPEP. In addition to objectives and KPIs, test frequency and type of test are also detailed in the Santos Offshore Oil Spill Response Readiness Guideline (SO-91-OI-20001).

5.5.2 Audits

Oil spill response audits will follow the Santos Assurance Management Standard (SMS-MS15.1) and are scheduled as per the Santos Assurance Schedule (E-910HA-20002). Audits will help identify and address any deficiencies in systems and procedures. At the conclusion of the audit, any opportunities for improvement and corrective actions (non-conformances) will be formally noted and discussed, with corrective actions developed and accepted. In some cases, audits may conclude with potential amendments to the OPEP.

Multiple oil spill response organisations are engaged by Santos. These organisations are responsible for the audit and maintenance of their own capacity. The Santos Emergency Response Coordinator (Oil Spill) maintains oversight of the audit and maintenance programs of its service providers through regular reporting requirements and any third-party assurance activities. These include:

- + The deployment readiness and capability of AMOSC's oil spill response equipment and resources in Geelong, Fremantle, Exmouth and Broome are audited every two years under the direction of AMOSC's participating members. The intent is to provide assurances to Santos and associated members about AMOSC's ability to respond to an oil spill incident as per the methods and responsibilities defined in OPEPs and AMOSC's Service Level Statement.
- + The deployment readiness and capability of OSRL's oil spill response equipment and personnel are audited every two years by the Oil Spill Response Coordinator. The intent of this audit is to provide assurances to Santos of OSRL's ability to respond to an oil spill incident as per the methods and responsibilities defined in Santos' OPEPs and OSRL's SLA.

6. Response strategy selection

6.1 Spill scenarios

This OPEP outlines strategies, actions and supporting arrangements applicable for all credible oil spill events associated with Barossa DPD (NT Waters) activities. Of the credible spill scenarios identified in the DPD SER and CEMP, three have been selected to represent worst-case spills from a response perspective, taking into account the following:

- + They represent maximum credible release volumes across a representative range of locations/ vessel types for DPD activities in NT waters.
- + Those scenarios that represent the greatest spatial extent from a response perspective based on surface oil and shoreline accumulation as these are the key factors contributing to response.
- + Proximity to sensitive receptors, shorelines, Territory and Commonwealth boundaries etc.

The worst-case credible spill scenarios selected to inform this OPEP are presented in

Table 6-1

For a description of the characteristics and behaviour associated with the MDO hydrocarbons that may unintentionally be released refer to **Appendix A**.

Table 6-1: Maximum credible spill scenarios for Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication activities

Worst-case credible spill scenario	Hydrocarbon type	Maximum credible volume released (m ³)	Release duration	Maximum extent of surface hydrocarbons
Surface MDO release at KP23 (Cth/NT Waters boundary)	MDO	700	Six hours	Approx. 86 km (west) (at 1 g/m ²)
Surface MDO release at KP 91.5	MDO	700	Six hours	Approx. 27 km (southeast, dry season) (at 1 g/m ²)
Surface MDO release at KP 114	MDO	300	Six hours	Approx. 33 km (west northwest, wet season) (at 1 g/m ²)

6.2 Response planning thresholds

Response thresholds have been developed for response planning to determine the conditions where response strategies would be effective. These thresholds are provided as a guide for response planning based on case studies that have demonstrated some response strategies require certain oil spill thicknesses and conditions to be effective.

For example, containment and recovery effectiveness drops significantly with reduced oil thickness (McKinney and Caplis, 2017; NOAA, 2013). McKinney and Caplis (2017) tested the effectiveness of various oil skimmers at different oil thicknesses. Their results showed that the oil recovery rate of skimmers dropped significantly when oil thickness was <50 g/m².

Surface chemical dispersants are most effective on hydrocarbons that are at a thickness of 50–100 g/m² on the sea surface. EMSA (2010) recommends thin layers of spilled hydrocarbons should not be treated with dispersant. This includes Bonn Agreement Oil Appearance Codes (BAOAC) 1–3 (EMSA, 2010).

Response planning thresholds are provided in **Table 6-2**.

Table 6-2: Surface hydrocarbon thresholds for response planning

Hydrocarbon concentration (g/m ²)	Description
>1	Estimated minimum threshold for commencing some scientific monitoring components (refer to Appendix M)
>50	Estimated minimum floating hydrocarbon threshold for containment and recovery and surface dispersant application
>100	Estimated floating hydrocarbon threshold for effective containment and recovery and surface dispersant application Estimated minimum shoreline accumulation threshold for shoreline clean-up

6.3 Stochastic spill modelling results

Spill modelling was conducted for the vessel collision scenarios (700 m³ at KP23, 700 m³ at KP91.5 and 300 m³ at KP114), which represents the conservative worst-case volume for an MDO spill from the Barossa DPD activities in NT Waters. These results are presented in **Table 6-3** to **Table 6-7**. KP23, KP91.5 and KP114 were selected as the most credible locations for worst case vessel collision scenarios. The EMBA areas for each scenario are shown in the modelling report (RPS, 2022 and RPS 2021).

Stochastic oil spill modelling was performed using a three-dimensional spill trajectory and weathering model, SIMAP (Spill Impact Mapping and Analysis Program). This model is designed to simulate the drifting, spreading, weathering and fate of specific oil types under the influence of changing meteorological and oceanographic forces.

A stochastic modelling approach was followed for each of the scenarios. The stochastic model involves the repeated application of SIMAP (100 simulations for each season; wet and dry [and transitional for KP23 scenario]) to simulate the defined spill scenarios using different start-date samples of current and wind data from a historical metocean dataset. The model results were then combined to provide a stochastic summary of each season.

The stochastic modelling outputs do not represent the potential behaviour of a single spill (which would have a much smaller area of influence) but provides an indication of the probability of any given area of the sea surface being contacted by hydrocarbons above impact exposure values in the unlikely event of a worst-case spill.

For the purpose of spill response preparedness, outputs relating to floating oil and oil accumulated on the shoreline are most relevant (i.e. oil that can be diverted, contained, collected or dispersed

through the use of spill response strategies) for the allocation and mobilisation of spill response resources.

Modelling results for dissolved and entrained oil for the worst-case scenarios have not been included in the OPEP given there are limited response strategies that will reduce subsurface impacts. However, these modelling results inform the Environment that may be Affected (EMBA) and are used for the purposes of identifying scientific monitoring priority areas (Appendix N).

Table 6-3: Worst-case spill modelling results for shoreline contact and accumulation resulting from a 700 m³ vessel fuel tank rupture at KP23 (six-hour release, wet, transitional and dry seasons) for the Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication in NT waters (RPS, 2021)

Location (Shoreline sector)	Total probability (%) shoreline oil accumulation ≥10 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time shoreline oil accumulation ≥10 g/m ² (hours)	Maximum length of shoreline (km) with concentrations ≥ 10 g/m ²	Total probability (%) shoreline oil accumulation ≥100 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time shoreline oil accumulation ≥100 g/ m ² (hours)	Maximum length of shoreline (km) with concentrations ≥ 100 g/m ²	Total probability (%) shoreline oil accumulation ≥1000 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time shoreline oil accumulation ≥1000 g/ m ² (hours)	Maximum length of shoreline (km) with concentrations ≥ 1000 g/m ²	Maximum accumulated volume (m ³) along this shoreline
Dorcherty Island	5	33 days, 12 hours	14.4	1	42 days	4	NC	NC	NC	1.1
Peron Island South	4	36 days, 7 hours	1.0	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	<0.1
Peron Island North	8	12 days, 19 hours	1.9	2	34 days, 2 hours	NC	NC	NC	NC	0.4
Field Island	14	16 days, 14 hours	14.4	2	25 days, 19 hours	3	NC	NC	NC	1.1
Vernon Islands	84	2 days, 12 hours	24.0	43	3 days, 10 hours	15	3	5 days, 10 hours	2	8.1
Bathurst Island	26	5 days, 19 hours	49.0	12	7 days	14	5	15 days, 12 hours	6	16.3
Mogogout Island	3	29 days, 10 hours	1.9	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	<0.1
Greenhill Island	10	17 days, 12 hours	9.6	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	0.4
Morse Island	2	27 days, 14 hours	2.9	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	0.1
Burford Island	9	11 days	2.9	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	0.1
Melville Island	59	3 days, 7 hours	80.7	16	3 days, 19 hours	16	1	5 days, 10 hours	1	6.2
Minjilang	8	19 days, 14 hours	5.8	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	0.25
Thamarrurr	12	30 days, 12 hours	50.9	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	2.2
Cox-Finniss	50	4 days, 5 hours	79.9	14	6 days, 14 hours	19	1	14 days, 17 hours	1	8.9
Litchfield	52	3 days, 7 hours	49.0	10	6 days 12 hours	8	NC	NC	NC	2.6
Darwin	47	5 days, 22 hours	22.1	6	8 days	16	NC	NC	NC	5
South Alligator	59	3 days, 14 hours	13.4	17	5 days	17	NC	NC	NC	5.9
West Arnhem	25	11 days, 22 hours	97.0	2	24 days, 10 hours	5	NC	NC	NC	4.4
Daly	13	9 days, 7 hours	50.0	2	30 days, 21 hours	3	NC	NC	NC	2.3

Table 6-4: Worst-case spill modelling results for floating oil resulting from a 700 m³ vessel fuel tank rupture at KP91.5 (six-hour release, wet and dry seasons) for the Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication in NT waters (RPS, 2022)

Location (Receptor Group)	Total contact probability (%) floating oil ≥1 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time floating oil ≥1 g/m ² (hours)	Total contact probability (%) floating oil ≥10 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time floating oil ≥10 g/m ² (hours)	Total contact probability (%) floating oil ≥50 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time floating oil ≥50 g/m ² (hours)
Charles Point Wide (RFPA)	100	<1 hour	90	<1 hour	38	3 hours
Area 5 (Restricted Area)	3	13 hours	1	1 day, 12 hours	NC	NC
Outer Harbour (WQ Zone)	100	<1 hour	92	<1 hour	35	2 hours
Middle Harbour (WQ Zone)	10	3 hours	2	7 hours	NC	NC
East Arm (WQ Zone)	1	1 day, 9 hours	NC	NC	NC	NC

NC: No contact to receptor predicted for specified threshold

Table 6-5: Worst-case spill modelling results for shoreline contact and accumulation resulting from a 700 m³ vessel fuel tank rupture at KP91.5 (six-hour release, wet and dry seasons) for the Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication in NT waters (RPS, 2022)

Location (Shoreline sector)	Total probability (%) shoreline oil accumulation ≥10 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time shoreline oil accumulation ≥10 g/m ² (hours)	Maximum length of shoreline (km) with concentrations ≥ 10 g/m ²	Total probability (%) shoreline oil accumulation ≥100 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time shoreline oil accumulation ≥100 g/ m ² (hours)	Maximum length of shoreline (km) with concentrations ≥ 100 g/m ²	Total probability (%) shoreline oil accumulation ≥1000 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time shoreline oil accumulation ≥1000 g/ m ² (hours)	Maximum length of shoreline (km) with concentrations ≥ 1000 g/m ²	Maximum local accumulated concentration (g/m ²)	Maximum accumulated volume (m ³) along this shoreline
Cox-Finiss	5	23 hours	18.0	1	1 day, 20 hours	2.0	NC	NC	NC	298	8.1
East Arm	33	24 hours	8.0	9	1 day, 3 hours	5.0	1	3 days, 15 hours	1.0	1,050	16
Middle Arm	2	9 days, 11 hours	1.0	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	15	1.0
Outer Harbour East	20	9 days, 3 hours	12.0	6	2 days, 6 hours	8.0	1	3 days, 13 hours	1.0	1,116	43.8
Outer Harbour West	10	2 days, 14 hours	10.0	3	1 day, 7 hours	8.0	NC	NC	NC	680	16.9
Shoal Bay	2	9 days, 11 hours	5.0	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	22	1.8
Vernon Islands	9	9 days, 3 hours	3.0	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	76	1.8
West Arm	6	3 days, 11 hours	7.0	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	11	7

NC: No contact to receptor predicted for specified threshold

Table 6-6: Worst-case spill modelling results for floating oil resulting from a 300 m³ vessel fuel tank rupture at KP114 (six-hour release, wet and dry seasons) for the Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication in NT waters (RPS, 2022)

Location (Receptor Group)	Total contact probability (%) floating oil ≥1 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time floating oil ≥1 g/m ² (hours)	Total contact probability (%) floating oil ≥10 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time floating oil ≥10 g/m ² (hours)	Total contact probability (%) floating oil ≥50 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time floating oil ≥50 g/m ² (hours)
Beagle Gulf (Darwin Coast)*	100	<1 hour	100	<1 hour	99	<1 hour
Anson Beagle (IMCRA)*	100	<1 hour	100	<1 hour	99	<1 hour
Charles Point Wide (RFPA)	2	23 hours	NC	NC	NC	NC
Area 1 (Restricted Area)	1	24 hours	NC	NC	NC	NC
Area 4 (Restricted Area)	60	4 hours	10	10 hours	NC	NC
Area 5 (Restricted Area)	25	5 hours	2	8 hours	NC	NC
Area 6 (Restricted Area)	55	5 hours	5	11 hours	NC	NC
Elizabeth River (WQ Zones)	1	1 day, 7 hours	NC	NC	NC	NC
East Arm (WQ Zones)	43	5 hours	5	8 hours	NC	NC
Middle Arm (WQ Zones)	19	4 hours	5	4 hours	NC	NC
West Arm (WQ Zones)	60	5 hours	10	8 hours	NC	NC
Middle Harbour (WQ Zones)	100	<1 hour	100	<1 hour	99	<1 hour
Outer Harbour (WQ Zones)	82	2 hours	49	2 hours	3	4 hours

NC: No contact to receptor predicted for specified threshold

* Release location within receptor

Table 6-7: Worst-case spill modelling results for shoreline contact and accumulation resulting from a 300 m³ vessel fuel tank rupture at KP114 (six-hour release, wet and dry seasons) for the Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication in NT waters (RPS, 2022)

Location (Shoreline sector)	Total probability (%) shoreline oil accumulation ≥10 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time shoreline oil accumulation ≥10 g/m ² (hours)	Maximum length of shoreline (km) with concentrations ≥ 10 g/m ²	Total probability (%) shoreline oil accumulation ≥100 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time shoreline oil accumulation ≥100 g/ m ² (hours)	Maximum length of shoreline (km) with concentrations ≥ 100 g/m ²	Total probability (%) shoreline oil accumulation ≥1000 g/m ²	Minimum arrival time shoreline oil accumulation ≥1000 g/ m ² (hours)	Maximum length of shoreline (km) with concentrations ≥ 1000 g/m ²	Maximum local accumulated concentration (g/m ²)	Maximum accumulated volume (m ³) along this shoreline
Cox-Finiss	5	1 day, 6 hours	1	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	76	0.9
Vernon Islands	1	13 days, 4 hours	1	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	23	0.5
East Arm	60	6 hours	18	38	8 hours	8.5	6	12 hours	1.5	2,587	54.8
Outer Harbour East	4	17 hours	0.5	1	19 hours	0.5	NC	NC	NC	132	0.9
Wickham Point	50	5 hours	12	31	7 hours	7.5	2	1 day, 16 hours	0.5	1,103	31.7
Outer Harbour West	16	16 hours	8	4	1 day, 9 hours	3.5	NC	NC	NC	305	9.8
West Arm	88	6 hours	37	71	8 hours	17	20	11 hours	2	4,870	111.7
Middle Arm	42	6 hours	20	8	7 hours	3	NC	NC	NC	845	22.4

NC: No contact to receptor predicted for specified threshold

6.4 Evaluation of applicable response strategies

Based on the nature and scale of the credible spill scenarios outlined in **Section 6.1** and spill modelling results (**Section 6.3**) the following spill response strategies have been assessed as potentially applicable for combatting a spill from Barossa DPD (NT Waters) activities (**Table 6-8**).

Note, the information contained in **Table 6-8** has been developed by Santos for preparedness purposes. The relevant Control Agency (NT DEPWS or Darwin Port) will ultimately determine the strategies and controls to be implemented.

Table 6-8: Evaluation of applicable response strategies

OSR Strategy	Tactic	Applicability and Designated Primary (1) or Secondary (2) Response Strategy	Considerations
Source Control	Spill kits	✓ 1	Relevant for containing spills that may arise onboard a vessel.
	Secondary containment	✓ 1	Relevant for spills that may arise due to stored hydrocarbons, and from spills arising from machinery and equipment on board a vessel. Bunded areas will contain spilled hydrocarbons reducing the potential for a spill escaping to marine waters. Where applicable open deck drainage will be closed to prevent hydrocarbon draining into the marine environment.
	Shipboard Oil Pollution Emergency Plan	✓ 1	MARPOL requirement for applicable vessels. In the event a vessel hydrocarbon storage tank is ruptured, applicable strategies for reducing the volume of hydrocarbon releases will be contained within the vessel SOPEP. This may include securing fuel via transfer to another storage area onboard the vessel, transfer to another vessel, or through pumping in water to affected tank to create a water cushion (tank water bottom). Trimming the vessel may also be used to avoid further damage to intact tanks. These actions will aim to minimise the volume of fuel spilled.
In-Situ Burning	Controlled burning of oil spill	✗	Not applicable to MDO spills due to inability to contain MDO making it very difficult to maintain necessary slick thickness for ignition and sustained burning. In addition, in-situ burning is not normally considered as an acceptable response strategy due to the atmospheric emissions created.
Monitor and Evaluate Plan (Operational Monitoring)	Vessel surveillance	✓ 1	<p>Provides real-time information on spill trajectory and behaviour (e.g. weathering). Informs implementation of other response strategies. Vessel personnel may not be trained observers. Vessel observers on leaking vessel may not have capacity to observe oil during emergency response procedure implementation. Constrained to daylight. Limited to visual range from the vessel. Limited capacity to evaluate possible interactions with sensitive receptors.</p>
	Aerial surveillance	✓ 1	<p>Provides real-time information on spill trajectory and behaviour (e.g. weathering). May identify environmental sensitivities impacted or at risk of impact (e.g. seabird aggregations, other users such as fishers).</p>

OSR Strategy	Tactic	Applicability and Designated Primary (1) or Secondary (2) Response Strategy	Considerations
			Provides information on the effectiveness of response strategies. Informs implementation of other response strategies.
	Tracking buoys	✓ 1	Can be implemented rapidly. Can provide indication of near-surface entrained/dissolved hydrocarbons (most other monitor and evaluate techniques rely on the hydrocarbon being on the surface or shoreline).
	Trajectory Modelling	✓ 1	Can be implemented rapidly. Predictive – provides estimate of where the oil may go, which can be used to prepare and implement other responses. No additional field personnel required. Not constrained by weather conditions. Can predict floating, entrained, dissolved and stranded hydrocarbon fractions. May not be accurate. Requires in-field calibration.
	Satellite Imagery	✓ 1	Can work under large range of weather conditions (e.g. night-time, cloud cover, etc.). Mobilisation restricted to image availability. Requires processing. May return false positives.
	Hydrocarbon characterisation	✓ 1	Can be used to verify spill source and weathering.
	Operational Water Quality Monitoring	✓ 1	Surface and subsurface water quality monitoring (which may include fluorometry surveys) used to determine the presence, location and distribution of the surface oil, entrained oil and dissolved aromatic hydrocarbon components of a spill and validate the spill fate modelling predictions.
	Shoreline Clean-up Assessment	✓ 1	Provides information on shoreline oiling (state of the oil, extent of pollution, etc). Can provide information on amenability of shoreline response options (e.g. clean-up, protect and deflect). Provides information on status of impacts to sensitive receptors.

OSR Strategy	Tactic	Applicability and Designated Primary (1) or Secondary (2) Response Strategy	Considerations
			<p>Considerable health & safety considerations.</p> <p>Requires trained observers.</p> <p>Constrained to daylight.</p> <p>Delayed response time.</p>
Chemical dispersion	Vessel Application	✘	<p>MDO does not contain persistent hydrocarbons and has high natural spreading, dispersion and evaporation rates in the marine environment. Dispersant use is not advised on light distillate fuels such as MDO as these oils will evaporate and naturally disperse quite rapidly under most conditions (IPIECA-IOGP, 2016a).</p> <p>Therefore, considering the rapid evaporation rates of MDO (refer to Appendix A), the tendency to naturally disperse and the remoteness of the spill location, the addition of chemical dispersants would have little to no net environmental benefit whilst potentially increasing localised toxicity in the water column.</p>
	Aerial Application	✘	
Offshore Containment and Recovery	Use of offshore booms/ skimmers or other collection techniques deployed from vessel/s to contain and collect oil	✘	<p>Not suitable for MDO given its rapid weathering nature. MDO spreads quickly to a thin film, making recovery via skimmers difficult and ineffective. The ability to contain and recover rapidly weathering hydrocarbons on the sea surface is extremely limited due the very low viscosity of MDO.</p>
Mechanical Dispersion	Vessel prop- washing	✓ 2	<p>Safety is a key factor and slicks with potential for high volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions are not suitable for mechanical dispersion.</p> <p>Mechanical dispersion may be applicable for the localised entrainment of surface oil but is not considered to have a significant effect on removing oil from the surface.</p> <p>Mechanical dispersion will entrain surface oil into the top layer of the water column. The aim of mechanical dispersion is to reduce the concentration of oil floating at the surface, which could potentially contact receptors at the sea surface (e.g., seabirds) or shoreline receptors (e.g. mangroves). Once dispersed in the water column, the smaller droplet sizes enhance the biodegradation process.</p>

OSR Strategy	Tactic	Applicability and Designated Primary (1) or Secondary (2) Response Strategy	Considerations
			<p>MDO is a light oil that can be easily dispersed in the water column by running vessels through the plume and using propeller turbulence to break up the slick.</p> <p>The potential disadvantage of mechanical dispersion is that it could temporarily increase the concentration of entrained and dissolved oil near submerged shallow water receptors (e.g. corals, seagrass, macroalgae). This is most likely in shallow water (a few metres deep). The suitability of mechanical dispersion as a response measure would consider the prevailing environmental conditions (it mimics the action of wave-induced entrainment so is most beneficial in calm conditions) and the type, proximity and depth (as applicable) of sensitivities in the area.</p> <p>Mechanical dispersion will be considered for petroleum activity sourced spills at the discretion of the on-scene commander/IMT or by the relevant control agency. It is unlikely that vessels would be specifically allocated for mechanical dispersion; however, vessels undertaking primary strategies may be used opportunistically.</p>
Protection and Deflection	Booming in nearshore waters and at shorelines	✓ 1	<p>Considered if operational monitoring shows or predicts contact with sensitive shorelines. Modelling shows high probability of contact with shorelines and some shoreline accumulation >100 g/m². Shoreline protection and deflection activities can result in physical disturbance to intertidal and shoreline habitats. This strategy is considered to be a secondary response strategy where it is safe and practical to implement and where priority protection areas are at risk of impact from MDO.</p> <p>This strategy is a primary response strategy where it is safe and practical to implement and where priority protection areas are at risk of impact from MDO.</p> <p><i>Note: This strategy for marine diesel may not be executed in certain sensitive areas due to the propensity of hydrocarbons to evaporate and disperse naturally, and the risk of damage from spill responders entering these sensitive areas. Therefore, this strategy would only be carried out in these areas for this hydrocarbon type if operational NEBA shows a clear benefit.</i></p>
Shoreline clean-up	Activities include physical removal, surf washing, flushing, bioremediation,	✓ 1	<p>Considered if operational monitoring shows or predicts contact with sensitive shorelines. Modelling shows high probability of contact with shorelines and some shoreline accumulation >100 g/m². Shoreline clean-up activities can result in physical disturbance to shoreline habitats. This strategy is a primary response strategy where it is safe and practical to implement and where protection priority areas are at risk of impacts from MDO.</p>

OSR Strategy	Tactic	Applicability and Designated Primary (1) or Secondary (2) Response Strategy	Considerations
	natural dispersion		<p>Note: This strategy for marine diesel may not be executed in certain sensitive areas due to the propensity of hydrocarbons to evaporate and disperse naturally, and the risk of damage from spill responders entering these sensitive areas. Therefore, this strategy would only be carried out in these areas for this hydrocarbon type if operational NEBA shows a clear benefit.</p>
Oiled wildlife response	Activities include hazing, pre-emptive capture, oiled wildlife capture, cleaning and rehabilitation	✓ 1	<p>Can be used to deter and protect wildlife from contact with oil.</p> <p>Mainly applicable for marine and coastal fauna (e.g. birds) where oil is present at the sea surface or accumulated at coastlines.</p> <p>Surveillance can be carried out as a part of the fauna specific operational monitoring.</p> <p>Wildlife may become desensitised to hazing method.</p> <p>Hazing may impact upon animals (e.g. stress, disturb important behaviours such as nesting or foraging).</p> <p>Permitting requirements for hazing and pre-emptive capture.</p>
Scientific Monitoring	The monitoring of environmental receptors to determine the level of impact and recovery from the oil spill and associated response activities	✓ 1	<p>Monitoring activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + water and sediment quality + biota of shorelines (sandy beaches, rocky shores and intertidal mudflats) + mangrove monitoring + benthic habitat monitoring (seagrass, algae, corals, non-coral benthic filter feeders) + seabirds and shorebirds + marine megafauna (incl. whale sharks and mammals) + marine reptiles (incl. turtles) + seafood quality + fish, fisheries and aquaculture <p>The type and extent of scientific monitoring will depend upon the nature and scale of oil contact to sensitive receptor locations as determined through operational monitoring. Pre-defined initiation criteria exist for scientific monitoring plans associated with marine and coastal sensitivities.</p>

6.5 Identification of priority protection areas and initial response priorities

When dealing with oil spills in remote environments, it is not always realistic or feasible to protect all receptors. Therefore, prioritising receptors helps identify where available resources (for response and/or monitoring) should be directed for the best effect. As the control agency, either NT DEPWS or Darwin Port will identify and determine the priority protection areas (PPAs) for spill response, which will allow them to make informed decisions, and ultimately in the development and execution of an effective response strategy. **Table 6-9** includes a list of areas and associated receptors where spill modelling have predicted contact (**Section 6.3**) that may assist the control agency in determining PPAs.

6.6 Net environmental benefit analysis

The IMT uses a NEBA, also referred to as a spill impact mitigation assessment (SIMA), to inform the incident action planning process (**Section 8**), so the most effective response strategies with the least detrimental environmental impacts can be identified, documented and executed.

The Environment Unit Leader will use the information in **Section 6.5** to identify and prioritise initial response priorities and apply the NEBA to identify which response strategies are preferred for the situation, oil type and behaviour, environmental conditions, direction of plume and priorities for protection.

As a component of the incident action planning process, NEBA is conducted by the Control Agency with responsibility for the spill response activity. Where there are different activities controlled by different IMTs, as in a cross-jurisdictional response between Santos and the NT DEPWS, consultation will be required during the NEBA process such that there is consistency in the sensitivities prioritised for response across the Control Agencies.

A strategic NEBA has been developed for all response strategies identified as applicable to the vessel spill scenarios, with the benefit or potential impact to each sensitivity identified (refer to **Table 6-9**). The NEBA applies to High Environmental Value (HEV) areas described in Santos' Oil Spill Risk Assessment and Response Planning Procedure (SO-91-II-20003) where spill modelling have predicted contact (Section 6.3) (Santos, 2022).

In the event of a spill, NEBA is applied with supporting information collected as part of the Operational Monitoring Plan (**Section 10**) to achieve the following:

- + Identify sensitivities within the area potentially affected by a spill at that time of the year (noting that the sensitivity of some key receptors, such as birdlife and turtles, varies seasonally).
- + Assist in prioritising and allocating resources to sensitivities with a higher protection and response priority
- + Assist in determining appropriate response strategies with support of real-time metocean conditions, oil spill tracking and fate modelling.

When a spill occurs, NEBA is applied to the current situation, or operationalised. Operational NEBA Templates are filed within the Environment Unit Leader folder on the Santos ER Intranet site. To complete the Operational NEBA:

- + All ecological and socioeconomic sensitivities identified within the spill trajectory area are recorded.
- + Potential effects of response strategies on each sensitivity are assessed in terms of their benefit or otherwise to the socio-economic sensitivities.
- + All persons involved and data inputs have been considered for the analysis.

The Operational NEBA Form documents the decisions behind the recommendation to the Incident Commander on which resources at risk to prioritise, and the positives and negatives of response

strategies to deploy. The Operational NEBA provides guidance to the IAPs and is revisited each Operational Period.

Table 6-9: Strategic net environmental benefit analysis matrix – Barossa DPD (NT Waters) Activities

High Environmental Value (HEV) areas and associated receptors	No controls	Source control	Monitor and evaluate	Mechanical dispersion	Shoreline Protection & Deflection	Shoreline Clean-up	Oiled wildlife response	Scientific monitoring
Tiwi and Vernon Islands								
Turtle habitat – Flatback, Green and Olive Ridley								
Coral, seagrass and other subsea benthic primary producers					N/A	N/A	N/A	
Marine mammals – whale and dolphin migration and populations, dugongs					N/A	N/A		
Seabirds and shorebirds (Crested Tern BIA)								
Mangroves and intertidal habitat								
Economic – commercial fishing, aquaculture							N/A	
Social – recreational and traditional fishing, Indigenous heritage areas*								
Beagle Gulf - Darwin Coast (including Cox-Finiss, Beagle Gulf (Darwin Coastal waters), East Arm, Outer Harbour East, Wickham Point, Outer Harbour West, West Arm, Middle Arm, Peron Is South and North, Litchfield and Daly)								
Turtle habitat – Flatback, Green, Hawksbill and Olive Ridley								
Coral, seagrass and other subsea benthic primary producers					N/A	N/A	N/A	
Marine mammals – dolphin and dugong populations					N/A	N/A		
Seabirds								
Mangroves and intertidal habitat								
Economic – commercial fishing, aquaculture							NA	
Social – traditional fishing, European and indigenous heritage areas, charter boats, diving, snorkelling, recreational fishing								

High Environmental Value (HEV) areas and associated receptors	No controls	Source control	Monitor and evaluate	Mechanical dispersion	Shoreline Protection & Deflection	Shoreline Clean-up	Oiled wildlife response	Scientific monitoring
Industry – defence, shipping							N/A	N/A
Joseph Bonaparte Gulf East Coast (including Dorcherty Is and Thamarrurr)								
Turtle habitat – Flatback, Green, Hawksbill and Olive Ridley								
Coral, seagrass and other subsea benthic primary producers					N/A	N/A	N/A	
Marine mammals – whale and dolphin migration and populations					N/A	N/A		
Seabirds and shorebirds								
Mangroves and intertidal habitat								
Economic – commercial fishing, aquaculture							N/A	
Social – traditional fishing, European and indigenous heritage areas, charter boats, diving, snorkelling, recreational fishing								
Van Dieman Gulf Coast (Including Field Islands and South Alligator)								
Turtle habitat – Flatback, Green, Hawksbill and Olive Ridley								
Coral, seagrass and other subsea benthic primary producers					N/A	N/A	N/A	
Seabirds and shorebirds								
Mangroves and intertidal habitat								
Economic – commercial fishing, aquaculture							N/A	
Social – traditional fishing, European and indigenous heritage areas, recreational fishing								
Cobourg Peninsula – Nhulunbuy (Including West Arnhem, Minjilang, Burford Is, Morse Is, Greenhill Is, Magogout Is)								
Turtle habitat – Flatback, Green, Hawksbill, Leatherback and Olive Ridley								

High Environmental Value (HEV) areas and associated receptors	No controls	Source control	Monitor and evaluate	Mechanical dispersion	Shoreline Protection & Deflection	Shoreline Clean-up	Oiled wildlife response	Scientific monitoring
Coral, seagrass and other subsea benthic primary producers					N/A	N/A	N/A	
Marine mammals – dolphin migration and populations					N/A	N/A		
Seabirds and shorebirds								
Mangroves and intertidal habitat								
Social – traditional fishing, European and indigenous heritage areas, recreational fishing								
Key:								
	Beneficial impact		Possible beneficial impact depending on the situation (e.g. timeframes and metocean conditions to dilute entrained oil)		Negative impact	N/A	Not applicable for the environmental value or not applicable for hydrocarbon type	

* The Tiwi Islands Sensitivity Mapping report (Jacobs, 2019) identifies environmental and socioeconomic sensitivity of coastal locations

7. External notifications and reporting requirements

For oil spill incidents, the OSC (or Company Site Representative) will notify the Perth-based IMT for delegation of further notifications to relevant regulatory authorities and stakeholders and for further spill response assistance for Level 2/3 spills.

7.1 Regulatory and stakeholder notification and reporting

The Incident Commander (IC) is to delegate the following regulatory and stakeholder reporting requirements. Typical delegated parties will be the Planning Section Chief.

Contact details for the Regulatory agencies and stakeholders outlined in **Table 7-1** are provided within the Incident Response Telephone Directory (SO-00-ZF-00025.020).

Table 7-1 outlines the external reporting requirements specifically for oil spill incidents outlined within this OPEP in Territory and Commonwealth jurisdictions, noting that regulatory reporting may apply to smaller Level 1 spills that can be responded to using on-site resources as well as larger Level 2/3 spills. There are also additional requirements for Vessel Masters to report oil spills from their vessels under relevant marine oil pollution legislation (e.g. MARPOL). This includes, where relevant, reporting oil spills to AMSA (Joint Rescue Coordination Centre) and the NT Government.

The Incident Response Telephone Directory (SO-00-ZF-00025.020) contains a more detailed list and contact details for incident response support and is updated every 6 months with up-to-date revisions available within the IMT room and online (intranet procedures and emergency response pages).

7.2 Activation of external oil spill response organisations and support agencies

Table 7-2 outlines notifications that should be made to supporting agencies to assist with spill response activities outlined within this plan. This list contains key OSROs that have pre-established roles in assisting Santos in an oil spill response. It is not an exhaustive list of all providers that Santos may use for assisting an oil spill response.

Table 7-1: Regulatory and stakeholders notification and reporting requirements (Commonwealth, territory and international waters)

Regulator / Stakeholder	Type of notification/ timing	Legislation/guidance	Reporting requirements	Responsible person/group	Forms
NT waters spills					
NT Regional Harbour Master	Verbal notification Follow up with POLREP as soon as practicable after verbal notification	Northern Territory Oil Spill Contingency Plan. As per Territory legislation (i.e. <i>Marine Pollution Act 1999</i>)	All actual or impending spills into Darwin Harbour waters, regardless of source or quantity	Notification by IMT Planning Section Chief (or delegate)	POLREPs to be emailed to rhm@nt.gov.au (Regional Harbourmaster) Instructions for submitting POLREPs (including a POLREP Template) are provided on the NT Government webpage: https://nt.gov.au/marine/marine-safety/report-marine-pollution
Darwin Port	Verbal notification	Darwin Port Oil Spill Contingency Plan	For oil spills in Darwin Port	Notification by IMT Planning Section Chief (or delegate)	Phone number: 1300 327 946
DEPWS (Pollution Response Hotline; Environmental Operations) Territory Emergency Controller (NT Police Commissioner or delegate)	Verbal notification as soon as practicable Written report to be provided as soon as practicable after the incident, unless otherwise specified by the Minister	Northern Territory Oil Spill Contingency Plan. As per Territory legislation (i.e. <i>Marine Pollution Act 1999</i>)	All actual or impending spills in NT waters. Notify if spill has the potential to impact wildlife in Territory waters (to activate the Oiled Wildlife Coordinator).	Notification by IMT Planning Section Chief (or delegate)	Marine Pollution Reports (POLREPs) are to be emailed to pollution@nt.gov.au (Environmental Operations) Instructions for submitting POLREPs (including a POLREP Template) are provided on the NT Government web page: https://nt.gov.au/marine/marine-safety/report-marine-pollution

Regulator / Stakeholder	Type of notification/ timing	Legislation/guidance	Reporting requirements	Responsible person/group	Forms
					https://ntepa.nt.gov.au/make-a-report
NT Department of Industry Tourism and Trade - Fisheries (DITT)	Verbal notification, timing not specified	Not applicable	Fisheries within the EMBA Consider a courtesy call if not in exposure zone	Notification by Planning Section Chief (or delegate)	Not applicable
Reporting requirements for spills moving into Commonwealth waters					
AMSA Rescue Coordination Centre (RCC) ²	Verbal notification within two hours of incident Written POLREP form, within 24 hours on request from AMSA	MARPOL	Santos to notify AMSA of any marine pollution incident ¹	Notification by Planning Section Chief (or delegate)	Not applicable
Commonwealth Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) (Director of monitoring and audit section)	Email notification as soon as practicable	<i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i>	If Matters of National Environmental Significance (MNES) are considered at risk from a spill or response strategy, or where there is death or injury to a protected species	Notification by Planning Section Chief (or delegate)	Not applicable
Parks Australia (24-hour Marine Compliance Duty Officer)	Verbal notification as soon as practicable	<i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i>	An oil spill which occurs within a marine park or is likely to impact on an Australian Marine Park	Notification by Planning Section Chief (or delegate)	Not applicable, but the following information should be provided: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Titleholder's details + Time and location of the incident (including name of marine park likely to be affected) + Proposed response arrangements as per the OPEP + confirmation of providing access to relevant monitoring

Regulator / Stakeholder	Type of notification/ timing	Legislation/guidance	Reporting requirements	Responsible person/group	Forms
					and evaluation reports when available + Details of the relevant contact person in the IMT
Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA)	Verbal phone call notification within 24 hours of incident	For consistency with DITT Fisheries notification	Reporting of marine oil pollution ¹ Fisheries within the environment that may be affected (EMBA) Consider a courtesy call if not in exposure zone	Notification by Planning Section Chief (or delegate)	Not applicable
NOPSEMA (Incident Notification Office)	Verbal notification within two hours Written report as soon as practicable, but no later than three days	<i>Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006</i> Offshore Petroleum Greenhouse Gas Storage (Environment) Regulations 2009 (as amended 2014)	A spill associated with the activity in <u>Commonwealth waters</u> that has the potential to cause moderate to significant environmental damage ¹ including spills originating in Commonwealth waters and moving to NT waters and visa versa	Notification by Planning Section Chief (or delegate)	Incident reporting requirements: https://www.nopsema.gov.au/environmental-management/notification-and-reporting/
National Offshore Petroleum Titles Administrator (NOPTA) (Titles Administrator)	Written report to NOPTA within seven days of the initial report being submitted to NOPSEMA	Guidance Note (N-03000-GN0926) Notification and Reporting of Environmental Incidents	Spill in <u>Commonwealth waters</u> that is reportable to NOPSEMA	Notification by Planning Section Chief (or delegate)	Provide same written report as provided to NOPSEMA
Stakeholders (including Relevant Persons)					
Tiwi Resources (Ranger Coordinator), Tiwi Land Council and Munupi Clan members	Verbal phone call notification - Verbal phone call within eight	Not applicable	All spills heading towards the Tiwi Islands	Notification by Planning Section Chief (or delegate)	Not applicable

Regulator / Stakeholder	Type of notification/ timing	Legislation/guidance	Reporting requirements	Responsible person/group	Forms
██████, ██████ ██████ and ██████	hours of incident being identified. Follow up with email outlining details of incident.				
The Mulurryud Consultative Committee, via ██████ at The ██████	Verbal phone call notification - Verbal phone call within eight hours of incident being identified. Follow up with email outlining details of incident.	Not applicable	All spills heading towards Croker Island	Notification by Planning Section Chief (or delegate)	Not applicable
Other First Nations groups (<i>as agreed through the post acceptance consultation implementation process and through the NLC</i>)	Verbal phone call notification - Verbal phone call within eight hours of incident being identified. Follow up with email outlining details of incident.	Not applicable	All spills heading towards relevant parties' interests	Notification by Planning Section Chief (or delegate)	Not applicable

1: For clarity and consistency across Santos regulatory reporting requirements, Santos will meet the requirement of reporting a marine oil pollution incident by reporting oil spills assessed to have an environmental consequence of moderate or higher in accordance with Santos' environmental impact and risk assessment process outlined in Section 8 of the DPD SER.

2: Santos reporting requirements only listed. For oil spills from vessels, Vessel Masters also have obligations to report spills from their vessels to AMSA Joint Rescue Coordination Centre (JRCC) and in NT waters, NT Pollution Response Hotline and the NT Commissioner of Police.

Table 7-2: List of spill response support notifications

Organisation	Indicative timeframe	Type of communication	Resources available	Activation instructions	Santos person responsible for activating
AMOSC Duty Officer	As soon as possible but within two hours of incident having been identified	Verbal Service Contract	<p>Santos is a Participating Member of AMOSC and can call upon AMOSC personnel and equipment (including oiled wildlife response). Under the AMOSPlan, Santos can also call upon mutual aid from other trained industry company personnel and response equipment</p> <p>AMOSC's stockpiles of equipment include dispersant, containment, recovery, cleaning, absorbent, oiled wildlife and communications equipment. Equipment is located in Geelong, Fremantle, Exmouth and Broome</p>	<p>Step 1. Obtain approval from Incident Commander to mobilise AMOSC.</p> <p>Step 2. Notify AMOSC that a spill has occurred. Put on standby as required – activate if spill response escalates in order to mobilise spill response resources consistent with the AMOSPlan.</p> <p>Step 3. Email confirmation and a telephone call to AMOSC will be required for mobilisation of response personnel and equipment. Only a Santos call-out authority (registered with AMOSC) can activate AMOSC and the Santos authority requesting the mobilisation will be required to supply their credentials to AMOSC. A signed service contract note must also be completed by the Santos call-out authority and returned to AMOSC before mobilisation.</p>	Planning Section Chief (or delegate) will notify AMOSC (upon approval from Incident Commander)
Aviation Service Provider	Within two hours of incident having been identified	Verbal	Helicopters/pilots available for aerial surveillance. Contract in place	Phone call	Logistics Section Chief (or delegate)
Duty Officers/ Incident Commanders (INPEX)	Within two hours of incident having been identified	Verbal	Mutual aid resources (through AMOSC mutual aid arrangement)	Phone call	Incident Commander (or delegate)

Organisation	Indicative timeframe	Type of communication	Resources available	Activation instructions	Santos person responsible for activating
Toll - Freight & Logistics	Within two hours of incident having been identified	Verbal	Assistance with mobilising equipment and loading vessels	Phone call.	Logistics Section Chief (or delegate)
Waste Service Provider/s	As required for offshore and shoreline clean-up activities	Verbal	Santos has contract arrangements in place with Waste Service Providers to take overall responsibility to transport and dispose of waste material generated through clean-up activities	Phone call to the Primary Contact Person. In the event the Primary Contact Person is not available, the Secondary Contact Person will be contacted.	Logistics Section Chief (or delegate)
Monitoring Service Provider	Scientific Monitoring Plan initiation criteria are met (Appendix M)	Verbal and written	Santos' Monitoring Service Provider has been contracted by Santos to provide Standby Services for Scientific Monitoring Plans (SMPs) 1 to 11. This includes provision of personnel and equipment. The Monitoring Service Provider annually reviews the SMPs for continual improvement	<p>Step 1. Obtain approval from Incident Commander to activate Monitoring Service Provider for Scientific Monitoring.</p> <p>Step 2. Verbally notify Monitoring Service Provider followed by the submission of an Activation Form (Environment Unit Leader Folder) via email.</p> <p>Step 3. Provide additional details as requested by the Monitoring Service Provider Monitoring Coordinator on call-back.</p> <p>Step 4. Monitoring Service Provider initiates Scientific Monitoring Activation and Response Process.</p>	Planning Section Chief (or delegate)
Intertek Geotech (WA) Environmental Services and Ecotoxicology	When characterisation of oil is activated (Section 10.6)	Verbal	Oil analysis including gas chromatography/mass spectrometry fingerprinting	Phone call	Planning Section Chief (or delegate)

Organisation	Indicative timeframe	Type of communication	Resources available	Activation instructions	Santos person responsible for activating
Oil Spill Response Limited, OSRL Duty Manager	Within two hours of incident having been identified	Verbal OSRL Mobilisation Authorisation Form	Santos has a Service Level Agreement with OSRL, which includes the provision of support functions, equipment and personnel to meet a wide range of scenarios At minimum OSRL will provide technical support to the IMT and place resources on standby Further details available on the OSRL webpage.	Step 1. Contact OSRL Duty Manager in Singapore and request assistance from OSRL. Step 2. Send notification to OSRL as soon as possible after verbal notification. Step 3. Upon completion of the OSRL incident notification form, OSRL will plan and place resources on standby.	Designated call-out authorities (including Incident Commanders)
RPS Group	As soon as possible but within two hours of incident having been identified	Verbal and written	Santos has an agreement in place with RPS Group to allow rapid marine hydrocarbon spill modelling capability to be activated at any time during activities, which will be undertaken for any spill greater than Level 1. AMOSC can also run modelling on behalf of Santos, if required, as part of contracting arrangements with RPS Group	Contact RPS Group Duty Officer.	Environment Unit Leader (or delegate)

8. Incident action planning

The incident action planning process is built on the following phases:

1. Understand the situation.
2. Establish incident priorities, objectives and tasks.
3. Develop a plan (IAP).
4. Prepare and disseminate the plan.
5. Execute, evaluate and revise the plan for the next operational period.

The Santos IMT will use the IAP process to determine and document the appropriate response priorities, objectives, strategies and tasks to guide the incident response, which are reviewed and updated as more information becomes available. The IMT will use an IAP for each operational period following the initial first-strike assessments, notifications, and activations undertaken.

When acting as the support agency, Santos may be requested by the Control Agency to develop or support the development of an IAP to help guide the incident response.

The Santos IAP process is built on the phases described in **Figure 8-1**.

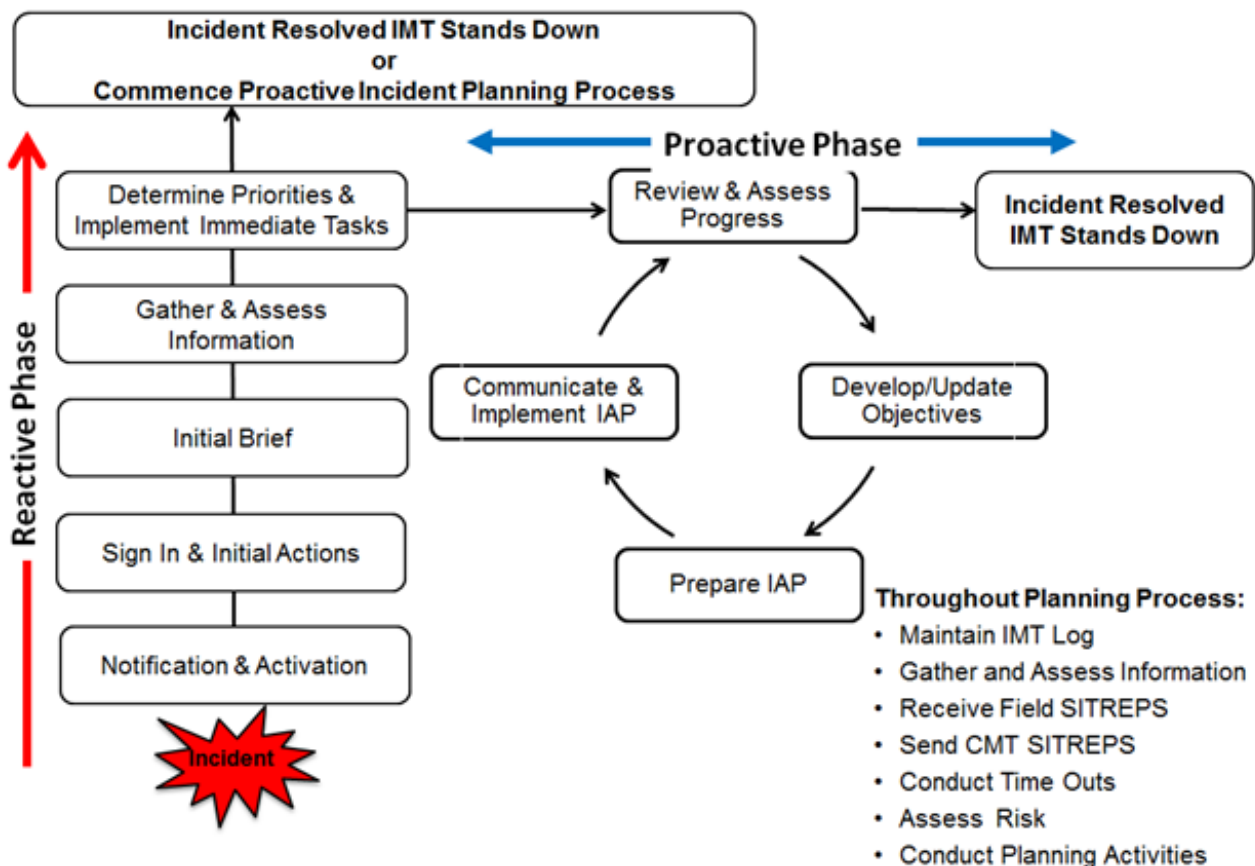


Figure 8-1: Incident action plan process

8.1 Reactive phase planning

The initial phase of the incident action planning process can be considered a reactive phase (indicatively lasting up to 48 hours) where information on the incident is being progressively established through reports coming in from the field. During this phase there is no formal incident action plan to follow (given the incident has just begun and details are still being established) however the OPEP (this document) has been prepared to contain all first-strike oil spill response actions required to be followed during this phase in lieu of a formal IAP.

First-strike response actions are summarised in **Section 2** and provide links to relevant oil spill strategy sections within the OPEP which contain a more detailed list of implementation actions and considerations as well as statements of performance (performance standards) that must be followed to ensure the initial response meets regulatory requirements and environmental performance outcomes.

For each credible oil spill scenario covered by this OPEP, the first-strike response actions have been informed by a pre-assessment of applicable oil spill response strategies, priority response locations and a strategic NEBA (also referred to as a SIMA). This pre-planning is included in **Section 6**. During the reactive phase the strategic NEBA is to be reviewed and, using the specific information gathered from the spill, operationalised into an operational NEBA. This assessment helps verify that the response strategies pre-selected for each spill scenario are providing the best environmental outcome for the incident response.

8.2 Developing an incident action plan

At the end of the reactive phase where the incident specifics have been determined, a more formal phase of spill response is entered whereby a documented IAP is developed to guide the incident response activities for the next operational period. An operational period is defined as the period scheduled for execution of actions specified in the IAP. The next operational period is nominally a daily period but for long running incidents may be extended further where the pace of the incident response has settled, and the level of new information has decreased.

As IAPs and response strategies are implemented their performance is monitored. The performance measurement results are fed back into the IMT to provide the IMT with greater situational awareness to enable the effective formulation of following IAPs. Those response strategies that are effective are continued or increased, while those strategies that are ineffective are scaled back or ceased.

The performance against the objectives of the IAP must be documented in the Incident log by the IMT. This provides the IMT with information required to assist in formulating the following IAP and provides evidence of Santos' response to the incident for regulatory and legal investigations that will follow the termination of the incident.

IAP performance is monitored through IMT communication with in-field response personnel both verbally and through logs/reports/photos sent throughout the response (e.g. surveillance personnel, team leaders, laboratory chemists) who report on the effectiveness of the response strategies.

IAP forms and processes are documented in the Santos SharePoint Oil Spill Response tile, and in the SO ER Documentation SharePoint site. Access subfolders to display all forms required to conduct incident action planning. Each functional position within the IMT has subfolders carrying forms and processes unique to the functional position on the Oil Spill tile.

9. Source control

The initial and highest priority response to an oil spill incident following the health and safety of on-site personnel is to prevent or limit further loss of hydrocarbons to the environment.

For vessels with a SOPEP, the SOPEP will provide the relevant initial actions to control the source of the spill.

The sections below provide an outline of source control activities noting that the Vessel SOPEP, where applicable, will provide a higher level of detail for specific incidents.

9.1 Vessel collision – fuel tank rupture

Table 9-1 provides the environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria for source control response to a fuel tank rupture. The OSC and/or Incident Commander is ultimately responsible for implementing the response, and may therefore determine that some tasks be varied, should not be implemented or be reassigned.

Table 9-1: Vessel collision – source control environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria

Environmental performance outcome	Implementation of source control methods to stop the release of hydrocarbons into the marine environment
Initiation criteria	Notification of a spill
Applicable hydrocarbons	MDO
	✓
Termination criteria	Release of oil to the marine environment has ceased and the workplace environment is deemed environmentally safe and free of hydrocarbons

9.1.1 Implementation guidance

Implementation guidance is summarised in **Table 9-2**. In the event MDO is released from a vessel due to a tank rupture, the relevant vessel-specific procedures will be applied. For support vessel collisions, the vessel's SOPEP will be followed to control the source, reduce the loss of hydrocarbons and prevent escalation of the incident.

Table 9-2: Implementation guidance – fuel tank rupture

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Initial actions	<p>The vessel’s SOPEP, as applicable under MARPOL, or procedure for responding to a ruptured tank will be followed, as applicable.</p>	<p>Notwithstanding vessel-specific procedures for source control, the following activities would be evaluated immediately for implementation, providing it is safe to do so:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Reduce the head of fuel by dropping or pumping the tank contents into an empty or slack tank. + Consider pumping water into the leaking tank to create a water cushion to prevent further fuel inventory loss. + If the affected tank is not easily identified, reduce the level of the fuel in the tanks in the vicinity of the suspected area if stability of the vessel will not be compromised. + Evaluate the transfer of fuel to other vessels. + Trim or lighten the vessel to avoid further damage to intact tanks. + Attempt repair and plugging of hole or rupture. 	<p>Vessel Master</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10. Monitor and evaluate

Understanding the behaviour and likely trajectory of an oil spill is critical to evaluate the appropriate response strategy. There are a number of methods that can be used to monitor and evaluate, including:

- + vessel surveillance
- + aerial surveillance
- + tracking buoys
- + oil spill trajectory modelling
- + satellite imagery
- + initial oil characterisation
- + operational water quality monitoring
- + shoreline clean-up assessment.

10.1 Vessel surveillance

Table 10-1 lists the environmental performance outcome, initiation and termination criteria for this strategy.

Table 10-1: Vessel surveillance – environmental performance outcome, initiation and termination criteria

Environmental performance outcome	Implement monitor and evaluate tactics in order to provide situational awareness to inform IMT decision-making
Initiation criteria	Notification of a Level 2/3 spill – may be deployed in a Level 1 incident (to be determined by OSC)
Applicable hydrocarbons	MDO
Termination criteria	✓
Termination criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Vessel-based surveillance is undertaken at scheduled intervals during daylight hours and continues for 24 hours after the source is under control and a surface sheen is no longer observable, OR + NEBA determines that the environmental benefit is no longer being achieved, OR + Agreement is reached with Jurisdictional Authorities to terminate the response

Direct observations from field support or other vessels can be used to assess the location and visible extent of the hydrocarbon incidents, and to verify modelling predictions and trajectories. Due to the proximity of observers to the water's surface, vessel surveillance is limited in its coverage in comparison to aerial surveillance and may also be compromised in rough sea-state conditions or where fresh hydrocarbons at surface pose safety risks.

10.1.1 Implementation guidance

Table 10-2 provides guidance to the IMT on the actions and responsibilities to be considered when selecting this strategy. **Table 10-3** has a list of resources that may be used to implement this strategy. Mobilisation times for the minimum resources that are required to start initial vessel surveillance operations are listed in **Table 10-4**. The OSC and/or Incident Commander is ultimately responsible for implementing the response, and may therefore determine that some tasks be varied, should not be implemented or be reassigned.

Table 10-2: Implementation guidance – vessel surveillance

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Initial actions	Notify nearest available Support Vessel to commence surveillance.	Current Santos on hire vessels or Vessels of Opportunity (VOO) can be used. Automatic Identification System (AIS) vessel tracking is available through the Emergency Response (ER) intranet page.	On-Scene Commander Operations Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Source additional contracted vessels if required for assistance.	Refer to Santos Vessels for Oil Spill Response (7110-650-ERP-0001) for the process for vessel monitoring and guidance on vessel types.	Logistics Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Record surface slick location and extent, weather conditions, and marine fauna. Complete vessel surveillance forms (Appendix D) and provide to On-Scene Commander (Level 1 spills) or IMT (Level 2/3 spills).	Photographic images are to be taken where possible and included with surveillance forms. Trained observers will not be available immediately – photos and locations will provide initial information that can be interpreted by IMT.	Vessel Observers	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Relay surveillance information (spill location, weather conditions, marine fauna sightings and visual appearance of the slick) to the IMT within 60 minutes of completing vessel surveillance.	Initial reports to the IMT may be verbal (followed by written transmission) if the vessel is out of range or has no facilities for transmitting forms.	Vessel Master and/or On-Scene Commander	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ongoing actions	Review surveillance information to validate spill fate and trajectory.	-	Planning Section Chief / GIS	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Use available data to conduct operational NEBA and confirm that pre-identified response options are appropriate.	-	Environment Unit Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Use monitor and evaluate data to periodically reassess the spill and modify the response (through the IAP), as required	Surveillance data is useful in updating the Common Operating Picture	Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>

Table 10-3: Vessel surveillance resource capability

Equipment type/ personnel required	Organisation	Quantity available	Location	Mobilisation timeframe
Contracted vessels and vessels of opportunity	Santos Contracted Vessel Providers Vessels of opportunity identified through AIS Vessel Tracking.	Availability dependent upon Santos and Vessel Contractor activities.	Vessels mobilised from Darwin, Varanus Island, Exmouth or offshore location. Locations verified through AIS Vessel Tracking Software.	Pending availability and location. Expected within 12 hours.

Table 10-4: Vessel surveillance – first-strike response timeline

Task		Time from IMT call-out
IMT begins sourcing Santos-contracted vessel or VOO for on-water surveillance		<90 minutes
VOO on site for surveillance		<24 hours (daylight dependent)
Minimum resource requirements		
One vessel. No specific vessel or crew requirements.		
Approximate steam time		
Deployment location	Approximate distance to NT Waters boundary (nautical miles)	Approximate steam time ²⁰ (hours)
Darwin	100	10

²⁰ At average rate of 10 knots

10.2 Aerial surveillance

Table 10-5 provides the environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria for this strategy.

Table 10-5: Aerial surveillance – environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria

Environmental performance outcome	Implement monitor and evaluate tactics in order to provide situational awareness to inform IMT decision -making
Initiation criteria	Notification of a Level 2/3 spill
Applicable hydrocarbons	MDO
	✓
Termination criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Aerial surveillance undertaken at scheduled intervals during daylight hours and continues for 24 hours after the source is under control and a surface sheen is no longer observable, OR + As directed by the relevant Control Agency

Aerial surveillance is used to record the presence and size of the hydrocarbon spill at surface as well as other environmental observations including weather conditions, marine fauna and sensitive receptors in the area. Aerial surveillance provides superior coverage over vessel surveillance for estimating the spatial extent of a spill but is generally required only for larger Level 2/3 spills.

10.2.1 Implementation guidance

Table 10-6 provides guidance to the IMT on the actions and responsibilities that should be considered when selecting this strategy.

Table 10-7 provides a list of resources that may be used to implement this strategy. Mobilisation times for the minimum resources that are required to commence initial aerial surveillance operations are listed in **Table 10-8**. The On-Scene Commander and/or Incident Commander is ultimately responsible for implementing the response, and may therefore determine that some tasks be varied, should not be implemented or be reassigned.

Table 10-6: Implementation guidance – aerial surveillance

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Initial actions	<p>Contact contracted aviation provider – provide details of incident and request mobilisation to spill site for initial surveillance.</p>	<p>If aviation asset is available near spill location, use where possible to gather as much information about the spill. If aviation asset not available at spill location IMT is to seek available resources through existing contractual arrangements.</p> <p>It is possible that the initial surveillance flight will not include a trained aerial surveillance observer. Initial flights can be conducted using a standard crew and initial surveillance should not be delayed waiting for trained personnel. Ensure all safety requirements are met before deployment.</p> <p>There should be an attempt to obtain the following data during initial surveillance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + name of observer, date, time, aircraft type, speed and altitude of aircraft + location of slick or plume (global positioning system [GPS] positions, if possible) + spill source + size of the spill, including approximate length and width of the slick or plume + visual appearance of the slick (e.g. colour) + edge description (clear or blurred) + general description (windrows, patches etc.) + wildlife, habitat or other sensitive receptors observed + basic metocean conditions (e.g. sea state, wind, current) + photographic/video images. 	<p>Operations Section Chief Logistics Section Chief</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<p>Source available Santos Aerial Observers, arrange accommodation/logistics and deploy to Forward Operations/Air base location.</p>	<p>Santos Aerial Observer list available from First-strike Resources on Santos Offshore ER Intranet page.</p>	<p>Operations Section Chief Logistics Section Chief</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<p>Develop flight plan (frequency and flight path) to meet IMT expectations and considering other aviation ops. Expected</p>	<p>Flight plan to confirm with OSC that aircraft are permitted in the vicinity of the spill.</p> <p>Flights are only to occur during daylight and in weather conditions that do not pose significant safety risks.</p>	<p>Operations Section Chief / Aviation Superintendent</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
	that two overpasses per day of the spill area are completed.			
	Pre-flight briefing.	-	Aerial Observers Contracted aircraft provider/ pilots	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Aerial Observers to commence surveillance	Consider procedure for interacting with marine fauna.	Operations Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Determine spill extent by completing Aerial Surveillance Log (Appendix E) and Aerial Surveillance Surface Slick Monitoring Template (Appendix F). Calculate volume of oil. Take still and/or video images of the slick.	Thickness estimates are to be based on the Bonn Agreement Oil Appearance Code.	Aerial Observer	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Record presence and type of fauna by completing the Aerial Surveillance Marine Fauna Sighting Record Sheet (Appendix G).	-	Aerial Observer	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Record shoreline habitat type and degree of oiling by completing the Shoreline Aerial Reconnaissance Log (Appendix H).	Thickness estimates are to be based on the Bonn Agreement Oil Appearance Code.	Aerial Observer	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Relay all surveillance records: logs, forms, photographic images, video footage to the IMT	Where possible, a verbal report via radio/telephone en-route providing relevant information should be considered if the aircraft has long transits from the spill location to base	Aerial Observer Planning Section Chief Operations Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ongoing actions	Update flight schedule for ongoing aerial surveillance as part of broader Aviation Subplan of IAP	Frequency of flights should consider information needs of IMT to help maintain the Common Operating Picture and determine ongoing response operations	Operations Section Chief / Aviation Superintendent Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Mobilise additional aircraft and trained observers to the spill location to undertake ongoing surveillance activities	-	Logistics Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Update Common Operating Picture with surveillance information and provide updates to spill trajectory modelling provider	-	Planning Section Chief GIS Team Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>

Table 10-7: Aerial surveillance resource capability

Equipment type/ personnel required	Organisation	Quantity available	Location	Mobilisation timeframe
Rotary-Wing Aircraft & flight Crew	Santos contracted provider/s (primary provider currently Babcock)	2 x contracted (1 x primary + 1 x backup) + additional as required	Darwin Karratha Learmonth Onslow	Wheels up within 1 hour for Emergency Response. Spill surveillance <10 hours (daylight dependent)
Aerial Surveillance Crew	Santos aerial observers AMOSC Industry Mutual aid	7 x Santos staff 5 x AMOSC staff 5 x AMOSC Core Group personnel available Additional trained industry mutual aid personnel	Perth and Varanus Island (VI) (Santos aerial observers) Australia wide	Santos trained personnel – next day mobilisation to airbase <24 hours
Drones and pilots ** secondary response to assist vessel-based surveillance	AMOSC OSRL – Third-Party UAV provider Local NT and WA hire companies	1 x pilot 2 x qualified remote pilots, however response is on best endeavour 10+	Geelong Perth and regional WA	<48 hours OSRL – depending on the port of departure, one to two days if within Australia

Table 10-8: Aerial surveillance – first-strike response timeline

Task		Time from IMT call-out
Aircraft activated for aerial surveillance		<3 hours
Aircraft on site for aerial surveillance		<10 hours (daylight dependent)
Trained Aerial Observers mobilised to airbase (Darwin)		<24 hours (daylight dependent)
Minimum resource requirements		
+ Santos contracted helicopter and pilots (based in Darwin)		
+ Santos trained Aerial Observers		
Approximate flight time		
Airport	Approximate distance to NT Waters boundary (nautical miles)	Approximate flight time ²¹ (hours: minutes)
Darwin	100	0:50

²¹ At average flight speed of 120 knots

10.3 Tracking buoys

Table 10-9 provides the environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria for this strategy.

Table 10-9: Tracking buoys – environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria

Environmental performance outcome	Implement monitor and evaluate tactics in order to provide situational awareness to inform IMT decision-making
Initiation criteria	Notification of a Level 2 or 3 spill May be deployed for a Level 1 spill if deemed beneficial by the OSC
Applicable hydrocarbons	MDO
	✓
Termination criteria	+ Tracking buoy deployment will continue for 24 hours after the source is under control and a surface sheen is no longer observable, OR + As directed by the relevant Control Agency

10.3.1 Implementation guidance

Table 10-10 provides guidance to the IMT on the actions and responsibilities that should be considered when selecting this strategy. **Table 10-11** provides a list of resources that may be used to implement this strategy. The OSC and/or Incident Commander is ultimately responsible for implementing the response, and may therefore determine that some tasks be varied, should not be implemented or be reassigned.

Table 10-10: Implementation guidance – tracking buoys

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Initial actions	Organise vessel to mobilise two tracking buoys from project vessel.	Personnel and vessel safety is priority. Current Santos on hire vessels or VOOs can be used. AIS vessel tracking is available through ER intranet page.	OSC/Operations Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Deploy two tracking buoys at leading edge of slick.	Note deployment details and weather conditions in incident log.	Vessel Master	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Inform IMT that tracking buoys have been deployed and provide deployment details. Monitor movement of tracking buoys.	Refer login details of tracking buoy monitoring website on Santos ER intranet site.	OSC Planning Section Chief / GIS	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Use tracking buoy data to maintain Common Operating Picture.	Data tracked online.	Planning Section Chief / GIS	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Relay information to spill fate modelling supplier for calibration of trajectory modelling.	-	Planning Section Chief / GIS	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ongoing actions	Assess the need for additional tracking buoys in the spill scenario and identify/nominate preferred deployment locations.	Incident Action Plan to provide guidance regarding any additional deployments of tracking buoys.	Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Mobilise additional tracking buoys if required from other Santos operations (Santos presently has 12 Tracker Buoys located on the North West Shelf) or from AMOSC stockpiles.	-	Logistics Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Organise vessel to deploy additional tracking buoys if required	-	Operations Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Direct the deployment of the Tracker Buoys – for continuous releases over multiple days use a rolling deployment/collection of buoys to provide better coverage of plume direction.	-	Operations Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Deploy tracking buoys.	-	Vessel Master	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Monitor movement of tracking buoys.	-	Planning Section Chief /GIS	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
	Relay information to spill trajectory modelling supplier for calibration of trajectory modelling.	-	Planning Section Chief /GIS	<input type="checkbox"/>

Table 10-11: Tracking buoy resource capability

Equipment type/personnel required	Organisation	Quantity available	Location	Mobilisation timeframe
Tracking buoys	Santos	2	Construction vessels	<2 hours for incident
		2	Darwin	<24 hours to site pending vessel availability
		4 4	VI Dampier	VI/Dampier buoys – 48-72 hours to site pending vessel availability
AMOSC tracking buoys	AMOSC	4	Fremantle	Response via duty officer within 15 minutes of first call – AMOSC personnel available within 1 hour of initial activation call. Equipment logistics varies according to stockpile location (refer to Table 10-12)
		4	Geelong	

Table 10-12: Australian Marine Oil Spill Centre equipment mobilisation timeframes

	Perth	Darwin
Geelong	40 hours / 3,395 km	44 hours / 3,730 km
Perth	NA	48 hours / 4,040 km
Exmouth	15 hours / 1,250 km	38 hours / 3,170km
Broome	27 hours / 2,240 km	22 hours / 1,870 km

Table 10-13: Tracking buoy – first-strike response timeline

Task	Time from IMT call-out
Tracking buoys deployed from construction vessels	<2 hours
OR	

Task	Time from IMT call-out
Tracking buoys deployed from Darwin using vessels of opportunity	24 hours to site pending vessel availability
Minimum Resource Requirements	
+ Two tracking buoys for initial deployment	

10.4 Oil spill trajectory modelling

Table 10-14 provides the environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria for this strategy.

Table 10-14: Oil spill trajectory modelling – environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria

Environmental performance outcome	Implement monitor and evaluate tactics in order to provide situational awareness to inform IMT decision-making
Initiation criteria	Notification of a Level 2 or 3 spill
Applicable hydrocarbons	MDO
	✓
Termination criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Spill fate modelling will continue for 24 hours after the source is under control and a surface sheen is no longer observable, or until no longer beneficial to predict spill trajectory and concentrations, OR + As directed by the relevant Control Agency

Oil spill trajectory modelling uses computer modelling (e.g. OILMAP, SIMAP) to estimate the movement, fate and weathering potential of spills. Santos has engaged RPS Group to provide forecast spill fate modelling. RPS Group use SIMAP and OILMAP modelling systems that comply with Australian Standards (ASTM Standard F2067 ‘Standard Practice for Development and Use of Oil Spill Models’). RPS Group also provide the capacity for forecast air quality monitoring to enable an assessment of potential health and safety risks associated with VOCs released from a surface slick.

A particular advantage of spill trajectory modelling is that the transport and weathering of spilled hydrocarbons can be forecast, at all times of the day and night, at any location, and under any type of metocean conditions. By contrast, aerial surveillance and vessel-based monitoring will be constrained to day-time use, and have limits imposed by the operating environment. Aerial surveillance and vessel-based monitoring are, however, essential for model validation, verification and calibration of any modelling or first principal predictions.

10.4.1 Implementation guidance

Table 10-15 provides guidance to the IMT on the actions and responsibilities that should be considered when selecting this strategy.

Table 10-16 provides a list of resources that may be used to implement this strategy. The OSC and/or Incident Commander is ultimately responsible for implementing the response, and may therefore determine that some tasks be varied, should not be implemented or be reassigned.

Table 10-15: Implementation guidance – oil spill trajectory modelling

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Initial actions	Initiate oil spill trajectory modelling (OSTM) by submission of an oil spill trajectory modelling request form (Santos ER SharePoint). Request for three-day forecast trajectory modelling.	-	Environment Unit Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Determine requirement for gas/VOC modelling and request initiation.	Hydrocarbon releases have human health and safety considerations for responders (volatile gases and organic compounds). This to be considered for any tactics that monitor/recover oil – especially at close proximity to release site.	Safety Officer Environment Unit Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Operational surveillance data (aerial, vessel, tracking buoys) to be given to modelling provider to verify and adjust fate predictions of the spill and improve predictive accuracy.	-	Planning Section Chief /GIS	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Login to the RPS Group data sharing website and maintain connection. Download modelling results.	Data should be stored digitally and backed up on to independent digital storage media. All datasets should be accompanied by a metadata summary and documented quality assurance and control procedures.	Planning Section Chief /GIS	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Place RPS Group modelling data into GIS/Common Operating Picture.	RPS Group to provide at least daily updates to the IMT of trajectory model outputs to inform response planning. More frequent updates can be provided if weather conditions are highly variable or change suddenly.	Planning Section Chief /GIS	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Identify location and sensitivities at risk based on the trajectory modelling and inform IMT. Conduct operational NEBA on proposed response strategies.	-	Environment Unit Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Ongoing actions	Request spill trajectory modelling be provided daily throughout the duration of the response and integrate data into Common Operating Picture.	-	Planning Section Chief / GIS	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Use results from other monitor and evaluate activities, and/or data derived from hydrocarbon assays of the source hydrocarbon or from other reservoirs in the region (that may be available) as input data (if or when available) to improve model accuracy.	-	Planning Section Chief / GIS	<input type="checkbox"/>

Table 10-16: Oil spill trajectory modelling resource capability

Equipment type/personnel required	Organisation	Quantity available	Location	Mobilisation timeframe
RPS OST modellers and software	RPS under direct contract to Santos, also available through AMOSC	Daily OSTM reports	Perth – digital	2–4 hours from activation

Table 10-17: Oil spill trajectory modelling – first-strike response timeline

Task	Time from IMT call-out
RPS OSTM activated by IMT	<2 hours
OSTM provided to IMT	<4 hours
Minimum Resource Requirements	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Contracted OST modellers and software + OSTM Activation Form 	

10.5 Satellite imagery

Table 10-18 provides the environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria for this strategy.

Table 10-18: Satellite imagery – environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria

Environmental performance outcome	Implement monitor and evaluate tactics in order to provide situational awareness to inform IMT decision -making
Initiation criteria	Notification of a Level 2 or 3 spill
Applicable hydrocarbons	MDO
	✓
Termination criteria	+ Satellite monitoring will continue until no further benefit is achieved from continuing; or as advised by relevant Control Agency.

Satellite imagery is considered a supplementary source of information that can improve awareness but is not critical to the response and usage is at the discretion of the IMT.

Suitable imagery may be available via satellite imagery suppliers. This can be done through existing AMOSC and OSRL contracts. The most appropriate images for purchase will be based on the extent and location of the oil spill. Synthetic aperture radar and visible imagery may both be of value. Availability of satellite images for a specific location will be dependent on several factors including satellite current position, satellite availability/tasking, and weather conditions (cloud cover obscures images).

10.5.1 Implementation guidance

Table 10-19 provides guidance to the IMT on the actions and responsibilities that should be considered when selecting this strategy. **Table 10-20** provides a list of resources that may be used to implement this strategy. The Incident Commander is ultimately responsible for implementing the response, and may therefore determine that some tasks be varied, should not be implemented or be reassigned.

Table 10-19: Satellite imagery implementation guide

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Initial actions	Assess requirement for satellite imagery.	-	Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Notify AMOSC and OSRL Duty Officer to initiate request for available satellite imagery.	Formal written activation of resources from AMOSC and OSRL by designated call-out authorities (Santos Duty Managers/Incident Commanders) is required.	Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Assess suitability and order imagery.	-	Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Integrate satellite imagery into Common Operating Picture and provide to trajectory modelling provider for model validation.	-	GIS Team Leader Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action		Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Ongoing actions	Review surveillance information to validate spill fate and trajectory.	-	Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Use monitor and evaluate data to periodically reassess the spill and modify the response (through the IAP), as required.	Use surveillance data when updating the Common Operating Picture.	Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>

Table 10-20: Satellite imagery resource capability

Equipment type/ personnel required	Organisation	Quantity available	Location	Mobilisation timeframe
Satellite Imagery	KSAT – activated through AMOSC MDA – activated through OSRL	Dependent upon overpass frequency (TBC on activation)	Digital	If satellite images are required, Santos to notify provider within 12 hours

10.6 Initial oil characterisation

Table 10-21 provides the environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria for this strategy.

Table 10-21: Initial oil characterisation – environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria

Environmental performance outcome	Implement monitor and evaluate tactics in order to provide situational awareness to inform IMT decision -making
Initiation criteria	Notification of a Level 2 or 3 spill
Applicable hydrocarbons	MDO ✓
Termination criteria	+ Oil sample and analysis to terminate once enough data has been collected to profile the oil characteristics throughout weathering and to provide oil for toxicity testing, OR + As directed by the relevant Control Agency

10.6.1 Overview

MDO is a common fuel type with known properties. The general physical and chemical characteristics of this hydrocarbon are presented in **Appendix A**. Nevertheless, sampling and analysis of the released hydrocarbon will provide the most accurate information on the hydrocarbon properties at the time of release.

The composition and physical properties of the hydrocarbon will also evolve over time through weathering processes that change its composition and properties, such as the viscosity, density, water content and pour point. The rate of change of the hydrocarbon properties will affect the likely time-window of opportunities for particular responses and the associated logistical requirements of these responses.

10.6.2 Implementation guidance

Table 10-22 provides guidance to the IMT on the actions and responsibilities for this strategy. **Table 10-23** provides a list of resources that may be used to implement this tactic. The OSC and/or Incident Commander is ultimately responsible for implementing the response, and may therefore determine that some tasks be varied, should not be implemented or be reassigned.

10.6.3 Oil sampling and analysis

Oil sampling kits are provided by Santos for the purposes of taking spilled oil/ oily water samples, which include procedures for untrained personnel. Initial samples will be taken by the vessel crew using the sampling kits following the sampling procedures. Trained personnel may be deployed to the field at a later time to continue sampling as required as part of ongoing monitoring.

Sampling kits are positioned at Santos strategic locations (refer to **Table 10-23**) and will be mobilised to the required locations when needed. The kits contain all necessary equipment and sampling containers for shipping to a laboratory for analysis.

The Santos Oil and Water Sampling Procedures (7710-650-PRO-0008) defines the sampling protocol and procedures.

Using on-site VOOs, oil samples are to be taken daily where possible from fresh oil, and from the weathered oil locations, nominally representing 24 hours old, 48 hours old and 72 hours old (as they occur) and dispatched to the laboratory for analysis.

10.6.4 Laboratory analysis

Laboratory analysis of the chemical and physical properties of the recovered oil, including gas chromatography/mass spectrometry for the purpose of fingerprinting the oil constituents, is to be undertaken. Fingerprinting of the released hydrocarbon potentially allows contamination to be traced back to the source where this is otherwise unclear or in dispute. The Santos Oil and Water Sampling Procedures (7710-650-PRO-0008) outlines the suite of available oil testing and fingerprinting analyses that can be performed by the preferred laboratories. Details of the testing laboratories can also be found within the document.

Ecotoxicology assessment of the oil is to be conducted at an ecotoxicology laboratory following the revised Australian and New Zealand Water Quality Guidelines (ANZECC and ARMCANZ (ANZG, 2018)). The quantity of sample required for analysis will be confirmed by the laboratory but is expected to be in the order of 6 to 10 L. Testing results will provide the concentrations at which toxicity endpoints consistent with revised Australian and New Zealand Water Quality Guidelines are met for each test. Overall species protection concentrations, including 90%, 95% and 99% species protection trigger levels are then to be generated using a species sensitivity distribution fitted to the data (e.g. by using the Burrlioz software program).

Table 10-22: Implementation guidance – initial oil characterisation

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Initial actions	Source available vessels (on hire or VOO) for oil sampling.	Can be multi-tasked – e.g. for vessel surveillance or tracking buoy deployment.	Operations Section Chief Logistics Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Source sampling equipment. Confirm sampling methodology. Confirm laboratory for sample analysis. Develop health and safety requirements/controls.	Refer Table 10-23 for resource availability. The Santos Oil and Water Sampling Procedures (7110-650-PRO-0008) provide the procedures for sampling.	Environment Unit Leader Safety Officer	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Vessel directed to sampling location.	Sampling of oil at thickest part of slick – typically leading edge.	Operations Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Vessel crew to undertake sampling and delivery of samples to Darwin for dispatch to laboratory. Environment Unit Leader to confirm analysis of oil with lab.	Darwin Logistics personnel to assist with logistics of sending oil samples to laboratory for analysis.	Operations Section Chief Environment Unit Leader Logistics Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ongoing actions	Continue sample collection post release where oil is available.	Initial monitoring by crew of available vessels – once mobilised to site Santos scientific monitoring provider to continue sampling of oil in conjunction with operational water quality monitoring.	Operations Section Chief Environment Unit Leader Logistics Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>

Table 10-23: Initial oil characterisation – resource capability

Equipment type/personnel required	Organisation	Quantity available	Location	Mobilisation timeframe
Oil sampling kits (full kit)	Santos/AMOSC	1	1 x Darwin	Within 48 hours
Oil sampling kits (rapid kit)	Santos	5	5 x Darwin	Within 24 hours
Bulk oil sampling bottles	Intertek/Santos	As required	Perth	Within 48 hours
Santos Contracted Vessel Providers	Availability dependent upon Santos and Vessel Contractor activities.	Availability dependent upon Santos and Vessel Contractor activities. Locations verified	Pending availability and location.	Expected within 24 hours Availability dependent upon Santos and vessel contractor activities Santos

Equipment type/personnel required	Organisation	Quantity available	Location	Mobilisation timeframe
Vessels of Opportunity identified through AIS vessel tracking system		through AIS vessel tracking system		
National Association of Testing Authorities (NATA) accredited laboratory/ personnel for analysis	Intertek / ALS / ChemCentre / Leeder Analytical	NA	Perth/Melbourne	24+ hours

Table 10-24: Initial oil characterisation – first-strike response timeline

Task	Time from IMT call-out
Oil sample collection	<24 hours (daylight dependent)
Oil samples arrive at lab for analysis	<5 days
Minimum resource requirements	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + One vessel; no special requirements; oil sampling can be done concurrently with other tasks + One oil sampling kit + Sampling jars for bulk oil collection 	

10.7 Operational water quality monitoring

10.7.1 Operational water sampling and analysis

Table 10-25 provides the environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria for this strategy.

Table 10-25: Operational water quality sampling and analysis – environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria

Environmental performance outcome	Implement monitor and evaluate tactics in order to provide situational awareness to inform IMT decision -making
Initiation criteria	Notification of a Level 2 or 3 spill
Applicable hydrocarbons	MDO
Termination criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Operational water sampling and analysis will continue for 24 hours following control of the source provided oil is no longer detectable, OR + As directed by the relevant Control Agency, OR + Vessel surveillance will terminate if there are unacceptable safety risks associated with volatile hydrocarbons at the sea surface.

Operational sampling of oil and oil in water will be undertaken at discrete locations, providing visual observations, real-time fluorometry/ dissolved oxygen readings and providing oil and water samples for laboratory analysis. The intent of this sampling is to confirm the distribution and concentration of oil, validating spill trajectory modelling and providing and informing the selection and implementation of other response strategies, including scientific monitoring.

Table 10-26 presents the water quality sampling and analysis plan considerations.

This monitoring is complementary to scientific water quality monitoring (SMP1) delivered through the Oil Spill SMP in terms of methodology and required skillset and can be provided through Santos' Scientific Monitoring Provider (**Section 16**).

10.7.2 Implementation guidance

Refer to **Table 10-27** for the operational water quality sampling and analysis implementation guide. The Incident Commander is ultimately responsible for implementing the response, and may therefore determine that some tasks be varied, should not be implemented or be reassigned.

Table 10-26: Operational water quality sampling and analysis plan considerations

Considerations for operational water quality sampling and analysis	
Scope of work	The work scope for operational water quality monitoring will be driven by the IMT, confirming objectives for each operational period.
Survey design	<p>The operational water sampling activities will be conducted by experienced environmental scientists and managed through the IMT Incident Action Planning process. The exact nature of the sampling activities will depend upon the objectives for each operational period; however, the sampling design and methodology will consider the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Sampling locations will be moved with the slick and/or plume based on the observed or predicted location and movement of oil on water and subsea plumes. This will be informed by vessel/aerial surveillance, satellite tracking buoys and spill fate modelling. + At each discrete location, sampling will initially be conducted using a conductivity-temperature-depth (CTD) meter along a depth profile which captures the three-dimensional distribution of the oil. The CTD would require fluorometry and dissolved oxygen sensors as part of the sensor package to record the presence of oil (fluorometry) and the activity of hydrocarbon degrading bacteria (dissolved oxygen). Fluorometers appropriate to the hydrocarbon type will need to be selected. + The CTD would help inform the depth at which water samples would be taken; + Where surface oil is present in shallow water (<5 m) sampling should involve a depth profile from the seabed to surface waters. + Where surface oil is present in deeper water (>5 m) sampling should involve a depth profile ensuring that the full gradient of oil in water concentration can be determined + Oil and oil-in-water samples are to be collected using suitable pumping or sampling apparatus. For samples at depth a Niskin bottle(s) or similar device that allows remote closing and discrete sampling at depth is to be used. Alternatively, water samples can be pumped from defined depths using a hose suspended vertically using a suitable pump for water sampling (e.g. a peristaltic pump). + Samples are to be collected in clean, fully labelled glass jars, filled to the top and refrigerated/ kept cool and in darkness during storage and transport. Handling, storage and documentation requirements to be confirmed with laboratory but holding time <7 days is an expected requirement. + Oil and oil-in-water samples will be replicated at each site to allow intra-site variability to be assessed and appropriate quality assurance and control samples will be incorporated into replicates. + Santos will coordinate transportation of samples from the sampling location to the laboratory. Samples will be accompanied with a completed Chain of Custody form. + Water samples will also to be provided to an independent National Association of Testing Authorities (NATA) accredited laboratory in Perth for hydrocarbon suite analysis including polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons.
Analysis and reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + All data collected on oil properties will be provided in spreadsheets (including GPS location, depth of sampling, timing, on-water observations, in-situ readings and water sample label details) to the IMT on an ongoing basis during spill response operations. + Daily field reports of results will be provided to the IMT. + Analysis of oil properties following laboratory evaluation will be undertaken.

Considerations for operational water quality sampling and analysis	
	+ A final report detailing all data collected on oil properties throughout the monitoring program including relevant interpretation will be provided.

Table 10-27: Implementation guidance – operational water quality sampling and analysis

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Initial actions	Activate Santos Monitoring Service Provider for Operational Water Quality Monitoring.	Refer to Appendix N for activation guidance	Environment Unit Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Obtain spill trajectory modelling and provide to Monitoring Service Provider.	-	Environment Unit Leader Planning Section Chief GIS Support	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Develop Monitoring Action Plan (including Sampling and Analysis Plan) for operational water quality monitoring. Plan to also consider oil characterisation sampling (Section 10.6)– Monitoring Service Provider to take over this sampling once mobilised.	Sites to be selected using oil spill trajectory modelling and distribution of oil from surveillance tactics. Refer Table 10-26 for considerations for Sampling and Analysis Plan.	Monitoring Service Provider Environment Unit Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Develop health and safety plan including potential exposure to volatile gases/VOCs.	Refer Santos Oil Spill Response HSE Management Manual (SO-91-RF-10016).	Monitoring Service Provider Safety Officer	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action		Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
	Monitoring Service Provider to assemble team/s and water quality monitoring equipment.	-	Monitoring Service Provider	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Organise vessels, accommodation and transport requirements to mobilise monitoring team/s to site.	Monitoring Service provider to outline requirements in resource request form.	Logistics Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Sampling and analysis undertaken. Daily communication and confirmation of sampling plan with OSC and IMT. Daily activity/data reports provided to IMT. Oil/water samples dispatched to nominated laboratories for analysis.	-	Monitoring Service Provider On-Scene Commander Operations Section Chief Environment Unit Leader Logistics Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ongoing actions	Monitoring results to be conveyed to IMT through Common Operating Picture and provided to spill trajectory modeller to validate predictions.	-	Planning Section Chief GIS Support Environment Unit Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>

Table 10-28: Operational water quality sampling and analysis – resource capability

Equipment type/personnel required	Organisation	Quantity available	Location	Mobilisation timeframe
Water quality monitoring personnel	Monitoring Service Provider	Approx. 6 (based on capability reports)	Perth-based	Personnel and equipment within 120 hours from IMT call out
Water quality sampling equipment and water quality meters	Third-party suppliers via Monitoring Service Provider	Multiple providers	Australia based	
Contracted water quality monitoring vessels	Santos Contracted Vessel Providers	Availability dependent upon Santos and Vessel Contractor activities; suitable vessels identified through AIS Vessel Tracking	Locations verified through AIS Vessel Tracking Software	<72 hours – pending vessel availability

Table 10-29: Operational water quality sampling and analysis – first-strike response timeline

Task	Time from IMT call-out
IMT activates monitoring service provider.	<4 hours
Operational water quality monitoring personnel, equipment and vessel deployed to spill site.	<72 hours from monitoring action plan approval
Minimum resource requirements	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Water quality monitoring vessel/s – refer Santos Offshore ER Intranet and Santos Vessel Requirements for Oil Spill Response document (7710-650-ERP-0001) for vessel specification, if a vessel charter is needed. + Water quality monitoring team (through monitoring service provider). + Water quality monitoring equipment (through monitoring service provider). 	

10.8 Shoreline clean-up assessment

Table 10-30 provides the environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria, termination criteria and other key aspects for this strategy.

Table 10-30: Shoreline clean-up assessment – environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria

Environmental performance outcome	Implement monitor and evaluate tactics in order to provide situational awareness to inform IMT decision-making
Initiation criteria	Level 2/3 spill
Applicable hydrocarbons	MDO
	✓1
Termination criteria	As directed by the relevant Control Agency

To assist in determining which response methods are most appropriate for shorelines, it is necessary to obtain information about shoreline character (topography, complexity, exposure, etc.), degree and distribution of oiling (if present), presence of sensitive receptors (habitats, fauna, etc.) and information on shoreline processes and access routes that could aid or hamper response efforts. This detailed information can be collected from shoreline clean-up assessments. A well-established systematic approach known as Shoreline Clean-up Assessment Technique (SCAT) will be used to document the status of oiled shorelines in the event of a worst-case release and identify subsequent treatment recommendations.

For a shoreline response in NT, the NT DEPWS will assume the role of Control Agency. The designated Control Agency will direct resources provided through Santos for the purposes of shoreline clean-up assessments and shoreline response activities. Santos will provide additional information on shoreline character and oiling collected as part of aerial surveillance activities carried out under its control (refer **Table 4-2**).

Existing information on shoreline character, distribution of habitats/fauna and access/safety constraints can be obtained from:

- + Santos Energy GIS, including habitat/fauna distribution layers and aerial imagery
- + NT Oiled Wildlife Response Plan (OWRP) will be used a guide for identifying priority areas (AMOSC, 2019).

10.8.1 Implementation guidance

The information provided below is included for planning purposes and represents how Santos would approach shoreline clean-up assessments to support the Control Agency. In the event of a spill with the potential for shoreline contact in NT waters the NT IMT will control shoreline assessments and ultimately personnel supplied through Santos will follow the direction of NT IMT; this may differ from that included below.

Table 10-31 presents considerations for planning and conducting the assessments.

The implementation guide for Shoreline Clean-up and Assessment is found in **Table 10-32**.

Table 10-33 provides a list of resources that may be used to implement this tactic and **Table 10-34** details the minimum first-strike mobilisation requirements for Santos on activation.

Table 10-31: Shoreline clean-up assessment considerations

Considerations for Shoreline Clean-up Assessment

Survey design	<p>Shoreline Clean-up Assessment requires a systematic assessment of shorelines, which is typically undertaken in a number of stages (according to the extent of the spill):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Reconnaissance surveys: designed as an initial phase (or further as required, such as inaccessible shorelines) to characterise the distribution, extent, and condition of shoreline habitats + Continual monitoring surveys: monitors hydrocarbon spill extent at the shoreline to assess the potential impact, extent of actual impact, and the effectiveness of clean-up. <p>A shoreline clean-up assessment may include the following tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Assessment of shoreline character, habitats and fauna, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o shoreline structured biotic habitats o distribution of fauna o shoreline and processes (e.g. wave, tidal flows) o shoreline substrate (e.g. mud, sand, pebble, rock) o shoreline form (e.g. width, shape and gradient) o access/safety constraints. + Assessment of shoreline oiling (if present): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o surface distribution and cover o subsurface distribution o oil type, thickness, concentration and physical character o sampling of oil for laboratory analysis. + Recommendations for response: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o applicable strategies based on oil type and habitat o potential access, safety and environmental constraints o likely resourcing (personnel and equipment) requirements. + Towards the end of a response, SCAT may be deployed for post treatment shoreline survey and sign-off/completion, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o post-clean-up inspections to confirm if end points have been achieved or if they require further treatment o approval of termination of response activities in each sector. <p>Ground surveys undertaken on foot, by vehicles or by small vessel will occur at prioritised areas (access permitting) to provide a close-range assessment of shoreline physical characteristics, coastal habitats/fauna, scale and character of oiling and safety/access constraints.</p> <p>Shoreline clean-up assessment team leaders will include personnel from AMOSC Core Group, State and National Response Team and OSRL, or contracted staff who have completed SCAT training. Team members may include personnel who have completed a brief training course and are supervised on the job by team leaders, particularly for deployment to locations that are not contacted in the first few weeks of the spill.</p> <p>In NT, the deployment of survey teams will be directed by DEPWS as the HMA and Control Agency for coastal/shoreline pollution. The deployments will be informed by the observed and predicted contact of oil and from existing baseline information on shoreline character</p> <p>Shoreline surveys will be undertaken within segments that are recorded and/or mapped that share common traits based on coast geomorphology, habitat type, fauna presence, level of oiling or access.</p> <p>Information on shoreline character and habitat/fauna distribution for each segment should be recorded using:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + still or video imagery collected with simultaneous GPS acquisition + field notes together with simultaneous GPS acquisition + mud maps outlining key natural features, oil distribution, imagery locations of quantitative data (transects, oil samples) + transects (cross-shore, longshore) and vertical sediment profiles
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Considerations for Shoreline Clean-up Assessment	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + samples of oil and/or oiled sediments. <p>The parameters that should be assessed are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + physical characteristics: rocky, sandy beach, flat, dune, wetland, other + major habitat types: mangrove, salt marsh, saltpan flats, fringing reef, rubble shore, seagrass verge + coastal fauna and key habitats (e.g. nests) including quantification/distribution of oiled fauna + state of erosion and deposition: deposition, erosion, stable + human modified coastline (access tracks, facilities, etc.) + oil character, if present, including appearance, surface thickness, depth (into sediments), distribution, area and percentage cover.
Analysis and reporting	Shoreline survey reports to be submitted to the Control Agency IMT at completion of assessments. All raw data collected will be included as appendices to the report and provided in a geospatial format for subsequent use in GIS mapping software.

Table 10-32: Shoreline clean-up assessment – implementation guidance

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Initial actions	Ensure initial notifications to the relevant NT Control Agency have been made.	Refer to Section 7 for reporting requirements.	Environment Unit Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Collect and provide spill trajectory modelling, other operational monitoring data and existing sensitivity information/mapping to Control Agency for assistance in identification of priority protection areas and Operational NEBA.	Existing shoreline sensitivity mapping information for potential oil contacted locations is available on the Santos ER intranet site.	Environment Unit Leader Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Actions below are indicative only and are at the final determination of the Control Agency.			
	Mobilise the AMOSC core group responders as required for industry support to Control Agency.	Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) may be necessary for some sensitive environments and where personnel safety is at risk (dangerous fauna in remote locations).	Incident Commander Operations Section Chief Logistics Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Conduct assessment of shoreline character, habitats and fauna.	Refer to Table 10-31	AMOSC Core group and Control Agency	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Conduct assessment of shoreline oiling (if present).	Refer to Table 10-31 .	AMOSC Core group and Control Agency	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Develop recommendations for clean-up activities and clean-up end points and communicate recommendations and SCAT forms back to IMT at the end of each operating period.	Refer to Table 10-31 .	AMOSC Core group and Control Agency	<input type="checkbox"/>

Table 10-33: Shoreline clean-up assessment – resource capability

Equipment type/personnel required	Organisation	Quantity available	Location	Mobilisation timeframe
Santos and industry AMOSC core group staff and responders (team leaders)	Santos Core Group Industry Core Group AMOSC staff	12 60+ (industry core group ops) 12 trained in SCAT	Perth, Geelong, Fremantle, Dampier, Varanus Island and other Australian locations	<24 hours from time of shoreline contact prediction

Equipment type/personnel required	Organisation	Quantity available	Location	Mobilisation timeframe
Shoreline assessment team members	Santos contracted Work Force Hire company (e.g. Dare)	As per availability (up to 2,000)	Australia-wide	Subject to availability (indicatively 72+ hours)
Drones and pilots ** To assist shoreline and vessel-based surveillance	AMOSC OSRL – Third-Party UAV provider Local WA hire companies	1 x pilot 2 x qualified remote pilots, however response is on best endeavour 10+	Geelong Perth and regional WA	<48 hours OSRL – depending on the port of departure, one to two days if within Australia

Table 10-34: Shoreline clean-up assessment – first-strike response timeline

Task	Time from IMT call-out
IMT confirms shoreline contact prediction and begins sourcing personnel for shoreline clean-up assessment team.	<4 hours
Shoreline clean-up assessment personnel mobilised to deployment location.	<24 to 48 hours
Minimum resource requirements	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + 1 x AMOSC drone pilot trained in SCAT to undertake initial reconnaissance surveys + 1 x AMOSC drone + Minimum 2 x AMOSC core group personnel to undertake initial vessel or ground surveys. 	

11. Mechanical dispersion

Table 11-1 provides the environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria for this strategy.

Table 11-1: Mechanical dispersion – environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria

Environmental performance outcome	To create mixing for oil and water to enhance natural dispersion
Initiation criteria	Operational monitoring identifies thin oil patches at sea surface that are not naturally dissipating in sea surface and is posing risks to wildlife and shorelines by remaining on the surface
Applicable hydrocarbons	MDO
Termination criteria	√2
Termination criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + There is no longer a noticeable reduction of surface oil resulting from the activity, or + NEBA is no longer being achieved, or + Unacceptable safety risks associated with gas and VOCs at the sea surface, or + Agreement is reached with Jurisdictional Authorities to terminate the response

11.1 Overview

This response strategy assists with the natural dispersion process; creating mixing through physical agitation by using a vessel's propellers and wake, which encourages the oil to break into smaller particle sizes that are more easily biodegraded. The two common activities associated with mechanical dispersion are:

- + manoeuvring a vessel through the slick, using propeller wash and vessel wake to create mixing in the water body
- + spraying water from the fire hose of a vessel and moving the vessel through the water body to create additional mixing and breakup of the slick.

11.2 Implementation guidance

Table 11-2 provides guidance to the IMT on the actions and responsibilities that should be considered when selecting this strategy.

Table 11-3 provides a list of resources that may be used to implement this strategy. The OSC and/or Incident Commander is ultimately responsible for implementing the response, and may therefore determine that some tasks be varied, should not be implemented or be reassigned.

Table 11-2: Implementation guidance – mechanical dispersion

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Initial actions	The operational NEBA will confirm the suitability and environmental benefit of conducting mechanical dispersion at appropriate locations.	Water depth and sea state. Possible impacts to sensitive shorelines and/or wildlife. This activity is to be conducted during daylight hours only and once the safety plan has been developed.	Operations Section Chief Environment Unit Leader Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Safety Officer to develop a safety plan for the activity with respect to potentially dangerous vapours e.g. VOCs (including applicable controls).	-	Operations Section Chief Safety Officer	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Notify vessel-based responders to trial mechanical dispersion.	-	Operations Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Response personnel on vessels to evaluate the effectiveness of the use of mechanical dispersion operations to reduce the volume of oil on the water surface. Communicate the information to the IMT Operations Section Chief for inclusion in operational NEBA.	-	Vessel Master/s Santos AMOSC Core Group Responders	<input type="checkbox"/>

Table 11-3: Mechanical dispersion resource capability

Equipment type/personnel required	Organisation	Quantity available	Location	Mobilisation timeframe
Vessels undertaking other activities Vessel(s) can be specifically contracted for the strategy if required (refer to Santos Vessel Requirements for Oil Spill Response document [7710-650-ERP-0001])	Santos contracted vessel providers	Availability dependent upon Santos and Vessel Contractor activities.	Vessels mobilised from Darwin. Locations verified through AIS Vessel Tracking Software.	Varies subject to availability and location.

12. Shoreline protection and deflection plan

Table 12-1 provides the environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria for this strategy.

Table 12-1: Shoreline protection and deflection – objectives, initiation criteria and termination criteria

Environmental Performance Outcome	Implement shoreline protection and deflection tactics to reduce hydrocarbon contact with coastal protection priorities
Initiation criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Level 2 or Level 3 spills where shorelines with identified or potential protection priorities will potentially be contacted + Approval has been obtained from the relevant Control Agency to initiate the response strategy
Applicable hydrocarbons	MDO
	✓ 1
Termination criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + NEBA has determined that this strategy is unlikely to result in an overall benefit to the affected shoreline/s, or + Agreement is reached with Jurisdictional Authorities to terminate the response strategy

12.1 Overview

Protection and deflection tactics are used to divert hydrocarbons away from sensitive shoreline receptors and are more effective if they are deployed ahead of spill contact. They are typically used to protect smaller, high priority sections of shoreline.

The effectiveness of this response will be dependent on spill characteristics, hydrocarbon type, and the operating environment. Deployment is subject to safety constraints such as the potential grounding of vessels.

Protection and deflection is part of an integrated nearshore/shoreline response to be managed by the relevant Control Agency. Where Santos is not the Control Agency (refer to **Table 4-2**), it will undertake first-strike protection and deflection activities as required. In this circumstance, the Control Agency (DEPWS) will direct resources (equipment and personnel) provided by Santos for the purposes of shoreline protection. Santos will provide all relevant information on shoreline character and oiling collected as part of surveillance activities carried out under its control (refer **Section 10.8**).

In the event of a spill with the potential for shoreline contact where Santos is not the Control Agency, the ongoing response objectives, methodology, deployment locations and resource allocation will be controlled by the Control Agency and therefore may differ from that included below.

Information gathered during operational monitoring (including shoreline clean-up assessments) and assessed through an Operational NEBA will guide the selection of protection and deflection locations and techniques.

Shoreline protection and deflection techniques include:

- + nearshore booming, which can involve different booming arrangements, including:
 - o exclusion booming: boom acts as a barrier to exclude the spill from areas requiring protection
 - o diversion booming: booms divert the spill to a specific location where it may be removed (e.g. sandy beach)
 - o deflection booming: booms deflect the spill away from an area requiring protection.
- + berms, dams and dykes – uses sandbags or embankments to exclude oil from sensitive areas

- + shoreside recovery – uses nearshore skimmers to collect oil corralled by nearshore booms (also used during shoreline clean-up)
- + passive recovery – uses sorbent booms or pads to collect oil and remove it from the environment. This can be used as a pre-impact tactic where sorbents are laid ahead of the spill making contact with the shoreline
- + non-oiled debris removal – removes debris from the shoreline before it is impacted to reduce overall waste volumes from shoreline clean-up.

The effectiveness of these techniques will be dependent on local bathymetry, sea state, currents/tides and wind conditions and the available resources.

12.2 Implementation guidance

Table 12-2 provides guidance to the IMT on the actions and responsibilities that should be considered when selecting this strategy. **Table 12-3** provides a list of resources that may be used to implement this strategy. Mobilisation times for the minimum resources that are required to commence initial protection and deflection operations, unless directed otherwise by the relevant Control Agency, are listed in **Table 12-4**. The Incident Commander of the Control Agency's IMT (once they assume control) is ultimately responsible for implementing the response, and may therefore determine that some tasks be varied, should not be implemented or be reassigned.

Table 12-2: Implementation guidance – shoreline protection and deflection

Action		Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Initial Actions	Ensure initial notifications to the relevant Control Agency have been made.	Refer to Section 7 for reporting requirements.	Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Collect and provide spill trajectory modelling, other operational monitoring data and existing sensitivity information/mapping to Control Agency for confirmation of priority protection areas and NEBA.	-	Environment Unit Leader Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Actions below are indicative only and are at the final determination of the relevant Control Agency.			
	Conduct Operational NEBA to determine if protection and deflection is likely to result in a net environmental benefit using information from shoreline clean-up assessments (Section 10.8).	-	Environment Unit Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>
	If NEBA indicates that there is an overall environmental benefit, develop a Shoreline Protection Plan (IAP Sub-Plan) for each deployment area.	Shoreline Protection Plan may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + priority nearshore and shoreline areas for protection (liaise with Control Agency for direction on locations) + locations to deploy protection and deflection equipment + permits required (if applicable) + protection and deflection tactics to be employed for each location + list of resources (personnel and equipment) required + logistical arrangements (e.g. staging areas, accommodation, transport of personnel) + timeframes to undertake deployment + access locations from land or sea + frequency of equipment inspections and maintenance (noting tidal cycles) 	Operations Section Chief Planning Section Chief Environment Unit Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + waste management information, including logistical information on temporary storage areas, segregation, decontamination zones and disposal routes + no access and demarcation zones for vehicle and personnel movement considering sensitive vegetation, bird nesting/roosting areas and turtle nesting habitat (use existing roads and tracks first) + shift rotation requirements 		
	If required identify vessels with relevant capabilities (e.g. shallow draft) for equipment deployment in consultation with Control Agency.	Ensure vessels have shallow draft and/or a suitable tender (with adequate towing capacity and tie-points) if they are required to access shorelines.	Operations Section Chief Logistics Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Deploy shoreline protection response teams to each shoreline location selected and implement response.	If passive recovery and/or non-oiled debris removal has been selected as a tactic, ensure deployment activities prioritise their implementation prior to hydrocarbon contact.	Operations Section Chief On-Scene Commander	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ongoing Actions	Conduct daily re-evaluation of NEBA to assess varying net benefits and impacts of continuing to conduct shoreline protection and deflection activities.	-	Environment Unit Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Report to the Operations Section Chief on the effectiveness of the tactics employed.	-	Shoreline Response Programme Manager – AMOSC core group responder	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Response teams to conduct daily inspections and maintenance of equipment.	Shoreline protection efforts will be maintained through the forward operation(s) facilities set-up at mainland locations under direction of the Control Agency. Response crews will be rotated on a roster basis, with new personnel procured on an as needs basis from existing human resource suppliers.	Shoreline Response Program Manager	<input type="checkbox"/>

Table 12-3: Shoreline protection and deflection – resource capability

Equipment Type/ Personnel Required	Organisation	Quantity Available	Location	Mobilisation Timeframe
AMSA nearshore boom/skimmer equipment	AMSA	Canadyne inflatable Structureflex inflatable Versatech zoom inflatable Structureflex – land sea Desmi Termite Lamor Weir	Darwin – 5 Darwin – 1 Darwin – 8 Darwin – 8 Darwin – 1 Darwin – 2	Access to National Plan equipment through AMOSC For mobilisation timeframes refer to Table 10-12
Darwin Port nearshore boom and skimming equipment	Darwin Port	Candyne inflatable Versatech zoom inflatable Structureflex – land sea Structureflex inflatable Slickbar flotation Structureflex – land sea Austpol D2 Slickbar flotation <u>Skimmers:</u> Desmi termite skimmer Lamor 15T skimmer Lamor 50T skimmer	Berrimah (Darwin) – 4 Berrimah (Darwin) – 10 Berrimah (Darwin) – 10 Berrimah (Darwin) – 10 Berrimah (Darwin) – 40 East Arm Wharf (Darwin) East Arm Wharf (Darwin) East Arm Wharf (Darwin) Berrimah (Darwin) – 1 Berrimah (Darwin) – 1 Berrimah (Darwin) – 2	Not listed within the Darwin Port OSCP (Darwin Port, 2018)
AMOSC nearshore boom and skimming equipment	AMOSC	Beach Guardian (98 x 25 m lengths) Zoom Boom (199 x 25 m lengths) HDB Boom (2 x 200 m lengths) Curtain Boom (58 x 30 m lengths)	Broome – 4; Exmouth – 20; Fremantle – 23; Geelong – 51 Broome – 8; Exmouth – 20; Fremantle – 30; Geelong – 141 Broome – 2; Fremantle – 18; Geelong – 40 Exmouth – 1; Fremantle – 1; Geelong – 1	Response via duty officer within 15 minutes of first call; AMOSC personnel available within one hour of initial activation call. Equipment logistics varies according to stockpile location For mobilisation timeframes refer to Table 10-12

Equipment Type/ Personnel Required	Organisation	Quantity Available	Location	Mobilisation Timeframe
		Skimmers: Passive Weir GT 185 Desmi 250 Weir Ro-skim Weir boom	Exmouth – 1; Geelong – 1 Geelong – 1 Geelong – 2	
Santos owned nearshore boom/skimming equipment	Santos	Beach Guardian (8 x 25 m lengths) Zoom Boom (16 x 25 m lengths) 2 x Desmi DBD16 brush skimmer	VI VI One each: Exmouth and VI	Within 12 hours for deployment by vessel from VI
OSRL nearshore boom/skimming equipment (Note: further boom is available, the listed items shown as an example). Guaranteed access to 50% of stockpile by equipment type. Access to more than 50% on a case-by-case basis.	OSRL	Air-skirt boom 10 m: 228 Air-skirt boom 20 m: 658 Air-skirt boom 200 m: 4 Beach sealing boom 10 m: 154 Beach sealing boom 15 m: 65 Beach sealing boom 20 m: 113 Inshore recovery skimmers: 126 Range of ancillaries to support above equipment	OSRL global stockpiles at base locations: + UK + Singapore + Bahrain + Fort Lauderdale	Response from OSRL Duty Manager within 10 minutes. Equipment logistics varies according to stockpile location.
Personnel (field responders) for OSR strategies	AMOSC Staff	12	Fremantle – 3 Geelong – 9	Response via duty officer within 15 minutes of first call. Timeframe for availability of AMOSC personnel dependent on location of spill and transport to site
	AMOSC Core Group (Santos)	12	Perth/NW Australia facilities – 10 Port Bonython (South Australia) – 2	From 24 hours <48 hours to WA locations
	AMOSC Core Group (Industry)	As per monthly availability (minimum 84)	Office and facility location across Australia	Location dependent. Confirmed at time of activation

Table 12-4: Shoreline protection and deflection – first-strike response timeline

Task	Time from shoreline contact (predicted or observed)
IMT confirms shoreline contact prediction, confirm if protection of shoreline sensitivity/s is required and begins sourcing resources	<4 hours
Santos Core Group mobilised to deployment port location	<24 hours
Protection booming equipment mobilised to deployment port location	<24 hours
Waste storage equipment mobilised to deployment port location	<24 hours
Boom deployment vessel mobilised to deployment port location	<24 hours
AMOSC Staff and Industry Core Group mobilised to deployment port location	<24–48 hours
Protection/deflection operation deployed to protection location	<60–72 hours (weather/daylight dependent)
Minimum Resource Requirements	
<p>NB: Resource requirements for protection and deflection will be situation/receptor specific.²². Indicative first-strike resources for a single site protection area are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + One small vessel suitable for boom deployment + Shoreline (e.g. Beach Guardian) and nearshore booms (e.g. Zoom Boom) plus ancillary equipment (e.g. anchors, stakes) sufficient for protection of shoreline resource + One skimmer appropriate for oil type + Waste storage equipment + One Protection and Deflection Team + Personal protective equipment 	

²² Where TRPs are unavailable for areas likely to be contacted, refer to other sources of information such as aerial photography, Oil Spill Response Atlas and the NTOWRP which has information for the determination of protection priorities and shoreline response planning in NT.

13. Shoreline clean-up plan

Table 13-1 provides the environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria for this strategy.

Table 13-1: Shoreline clean-up – environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria

Environmental Performance Outcome	Implement shoreline clean-up tactics to remove stranded hydrocarbons from shorelines in order to reduce impact on coastal protection priorities and facilitate habitat recovery
Initiation criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Level 2 or Level 3 spills where shorelines with identified or potential protection priorities that will be, or have been, contacted + NEBA indicates shoreline clean-up will benefit receptors + Approval has been obtained from the Control Agency to initiate response strategy
Applicable hydrocarbons	MDO ✓1
Termination criteria	+ As directed by the relevant Jurisdictional Authority

13.1 Overview

Shoreline clean-up aims to remove hydrocarbons from shorelines and intertidal habitat to achieve a net environmental benefit. Removal of these hydrocarbons helps reduce remobilisation of hydrocarbons and contamination of wildlife, habitat and other sensitive receptors. Shoreline clean-up is often a lengthy and cyclical process, requiring regular shoreline clean-up assessments (**Section 10.8**) to monitor the effectiveness of clean-up activities and assess if they are resulting in any adverse impacts.

Shoreline clean-up is part of an integrated nearshore/ shoreline response to be managed by the relevant Control Agency. Where Santos is not the Control Agency (refer to **Table 4-2**), it will undertake first-strike activations as required. In this circumstance, DEPWS, as the Control Agency will direct resources (equipment and personnel) provided by Santos for the purposes of shoreline clean-up. The information obtained from Operational Monitoring (refer **Section 10**), will be used by the IMT in the development of the operational NEBA to inform the most effective clean-up tactics (if any) to apply to individual sites. Intrusive shoreline clean-up techniques have the potential to damage sensitive shorelines. The appropriateness of clean-up tactics will be assessed against natural attenuation for sensitive sites. Selection of shoreline clean-up methods and controls to prevent further damage from the clean-up activities are to be undertaken in consultation with the Control Agency and selected based on NEBA.

MDO is likely to be difficult to remove given its light nature and high weathering potential. It can be readily washed from sediments by wave and tidal flushing. The likely waste products from a MDO spill shoreline response would be contaminated sand and debris. Therefore, shoreline clean-up is considered a secondary response in the event of a MDO spill.

13.2 Implementation guidance

Table 13-1 provides the environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria for this strategy. **Table 13-2** provides guidance to the IMT on the actions and responsibilities that should be considered when selecting this strategy. **Table 13-3** provides a list of resources that may be used to implement this strategy. Mobilisation times for the minimum resources that are

required to commence initial shoreline clean-up operations, unless directed otherwise by the relevant Control Agency, are listed in **Table 13-4**. The OSC and/or Incident Commander is ultimately responsible for implementing the response, and may therefore determine that some tasks be varied, should not be implemented or be reassigned.

Table 13-2: Implementation guidance – shoreline clean-up

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Initial Actions	Actions below are indicative only and are at the final determination of the Control Agency.			
	Initiate Shoreline Clean-up Assessment (if not already activated).	Refer to Section 10.8 for additional information. Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) may be necessary for some sensitive environments and where personnel safety is at risk (e.g. dangerous fauna in remote locations).	Environment Unit Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Using results from Shoreline Clean-up Assessment, conduct Operational NEBA to assess shoreline clean-up suitability and recommended tactics for each shoreline location.	Shoreline Clean-up Assessment Teams are responsible for preparing field maps and forms detailing the area surveyed and make specific clean-up recommendations. The condition of affected shorelines will be constantly changing. Results of shoreline surveys should be reported as quickly as possible to the IMT to help inform real-time decision-making. Engage a Heritage Adviser if spill response activities overlap with potential areas of cultural significance.	Environment Unit Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>
If operational NEBA supports shoreline clean-up, prepare a Shoreline Clean-up Plan for inclusion in the IAP.	Shoreline Clean-up Plan may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + clean-up objectives + clean-up end points (may be derived from Shoreline Clean-up Assessment) + clean-up priorities (may be derived from Shoreline Clean-up Assessment) + assessment and location of staging areas and worksites (including health and safety constraints, zoning) + utility resource assessment and support (to be conducted if activity is of significant size in comparison to the size of the coastal community) + permits required (if applicable) + chain of command for on-site personnel + list of resources (personnel, equipment, personal protective equipment) required for selected clean-up tactics at each site + details of accommodation and transport management 	Environment Unit Leader Planning Section Chief Operations Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>	

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + security management + waste management information, including logistical information on temporary storage areas, segregation, decontamination zones and disposal routes + establish no access and demarcation zones for vehicle and personnel movement considering sensitive vegetation, bird nesting/roosting areas and turtle nesting habitat (use existing roads and tracks first) + shift rotation requirements. <p>Refer to IPIECA guide: A Guide to Oiled Shoreline Clean-up Techniques (IPIECA-IOGP, 2016b) for additional guidance on shoreline clean-up planning and implementation.</p>		
	In consultation with the Control Agency, procure and mobilise resources to a designated port location for deployment, or directly to location via road transport.	-	Logistics Section Chief Supply Unit Leader Deputy Logistics Officer (NT IMT)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Deploy shoreline clean-up response teams to each shoreline location to begin operations under direction of the Control Agency.	Each clean-up team to be led by a Shoreline Response Team Leader, who could be an AMOSC Core Group Member or trained member of the AMSA administered National Response Team. Clean-up teams and equipment will be deployed and positioned as per those observations by the Shoreline Clean-up Assessment Teams in consultation with the Control Agency. Team members will verify the effectiveness of clean-up, modifying guidelines as needed if conditions change.	Operations Section Chief Logistics Section Chief Deputy Logistics Officer (NT IMT)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ongoing Actions	Shoreline Response Team Leader shall communicate daily reports to the IMT Operations Section Chief to inform of effectiveness of existing tactics and any proposed tactics and required resources.	Where possible, maintain some consistency in personnel within Shoreline Response Teams. If the same personnel are involved in Shoreline Clean-up Assessment and clean-up, they will be better placed to adapt their recommendations as the clean-up progresses and judge when the agreed end points have been met.	Shoreline Response Program Manager Operations Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	The IMT Operations Section Chief shall work with the Planning Section Chief to incorporate recommendations into the	-	Operations Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Incident Action Plans for the following operational period, and ensure all required resources are released and activated through the Supply Unit Leader and Logistics Section Chief.		Planning Section Chief	
Monitor progress of clean-up efforts and report to the Control Agency.	-	Operations Section Chief On-Scene Commander Deputy OSC (Control Agency FOB)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Table 13-3: Shoreline clean-up – resource capability

Equipment Type/Personnel Required	Organisation	Quantity Available	Location	Mobilisation Timeframe
Manual clean-up tools (shovels, rakes, wheelbarrows, bags, etc.)	AMOSC shoreline kits	Shoreline support kits first-strike	Fremantle – 1 Geelong – 1	Response via duty officer within 15 minutes of first call – AMOSC personnel available within one hour of initial activation call; equipment logistics varies according to stockpile location (Table 10-12)
	Santos	1 x shoreline clean-up container	Varanus Island	Within 12 hours for deployment from VI
	Darwin Port	Rake x 2, shovel x 2, broom x 2, PPE, BAT waste bags x 20	Darwin	-
	Hardware suppliers	As available	Darwin, Broome, Perth	-

Equipment Type/Personnel Required	Organisation	Quantity Available	Location	Mobilisation Timeframe
Shoreline flushing (pumps/hoses)	AMOSC	Shoreline flushing kit Shoreline impact lance kit	Fremantle –1; Geelong – 1 Geelong – 1	Response via duty officer within 15 minutes of first call – AMOSC personnel available within one hour of initial activation call For mobilisation timeframes see Table 10-12
	Darwin Port	Electric pump, hose and wand x 1	Darwin (East Arm Wharf).	-
Nearshore skimmers/hoses	AMOSC AMSA	Refer to Protection and Deflection (Section 12)	-	-
Decontamination/staging site equipment	AMOSC	Decontamination station – 3	Fremantle –1; Exmouth –1; Geelong – 1	Response via duty officer within 15 minutes of first call – AMOSC personnel available within one hour of initial activation call For mobilisation timeframes see Table 10-12
	AMSA	Decontamination station – 5	Darwin – 1, Karratha –2; Fremantle – 2	Access to National Plan equipment through AMOSC
	Oil spill equipment provider (e.g. Global Spill., PPS)	As available	Perth	Subject to availability
Waste storage (including temporary storage and waste skips and tanks for transport)	AMOSC temporary storage	Fast tanks – (9,000 L and 3,000 L) Vikotank (13,000 L) Lamor (11,400 L) IBCs (1, 000 L)	Broome –1; Geelong –4; Fremantle –2; Exmouth – 2 Broome – 1; Geelong – 1; Fremantle – 4; Geelong – 13	Response via duty officer within 15 minutes of first call – AMOSC personnel available within one hour of initial activation call For mobilisation timeframes see Table 10-12

Equipment Type/Personnel Required	Organisation	Quantity Available	Location	Mobilisation Timeframe
	AMSA temporary storage	Fast tanks – (10,000 L) Structureflex – (10,000 L) Vikoma – (10,000 L)	Darwin –2; Karratha –2; Fremantle – 4; Adelaide – 1; Brisbane – 2; Devonport – 2; Melbourne – 1; Sydney – 4; Townsville – 4 Brisbane – 1; Adelaide – 2; Darwin – 1; Adelaide – 1; Brisbane – 1; Devonport – 2; Fremantle – 4; Fremantle – 3; Melbourne – 2; Sydney – 2; Townsville – 4	Access to National Plan equipment through AMOSC
	Darwin Port	Flexidam (10,000L) Covertex 20 ton Tanspac 2.6 ton	1 - Darwin (East Arm Wharf) 1 - Berrimah (Darwin) 2 - Berrimah (Darwin)	
	Santos Waste Management Service Provider	Refer to Waste management (Section 15)	Karratha, Broome, Perth	24+ hours
Personnel (field responders) for OSR strategies	AMOSC Staff	12	Fremantle – 3 Geelong – 9	Response via duty officer within 15 minutes of first call. Timeframe for availability of AMOSC personnel dependent on location of spill and transport to site
	AMOSC Core Group (Santos)	12	Perth/NW Australia facilities – 10 Port Bonython (South Australia) – 2	12+ hours
	AMOSC Core Group (Industry)	As per monthly availability (minimum 84)	Office and facility location across Australia	Location dependent. Confirmed at time of activation

Equipment Type/Personnel Required	Organisation	Quantity Available	Location	Mobilisation Timeframe
	Santos contracted Work Force Hire company (e.g. Dare)	As per availability (up to 2,000)	Australia-wide	Subject to availability (indicatively 72+ hours)

Table 13-4: Shoreline clean-up – first-strike response timeline

Task	Time from shoreline contact (predicted or observed)
IMT confirms shoreline contact prediction, confirms applicability of strategy and begins sourcing resources.	<4 hours
Santos Offshore Core Group mobilised to deployment port location.	<24 hours
Clean-up equipment mobilised to deployment port location.	<24–48 hours
Waste storage equipment mobilised to deployment port location.	<24 hours
Remote island transfer vessel (if required) mobilised to deployment port location.	<24 hours
AMOSC Staff, Industry Core Group and Labour Hire mobilised to site/deployment port location.	<48 hours
Clean-up operation deployed to clean-up area under advice from Shoreline Assessment Team.	<60–72 hours (weather/daylight dependent)
Minimum Resource Requirements	
<p>NB: Resource requirements for shoreline clean-up will be situation/receptor specific. If developed for the area/receptor, TRPs will outline suggested resource requirements and shoreline assessments (as part of operational monitoring strategy) to be conducted prior to clean-up to confirm techniques. Indicative minimum requirements for one Santos-activated shoreline clean-up team are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + manual clean-up/shoreline flushing equipment kit + waste storage (bags, temporary storage tanks, skips as appropriate) + decontamination/staging equipment kit + personal protective equipment. <p>One clean-up team comprises:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + one Team Leader (AMOSC staff, Industry Core Group or Santos Core Group) + 10²³ shoreline clean-up responders (AMOSC Core Group, Santos contracted labour hire personnel). 	

13.3 Shoreline clean-up resources

Shoreline clean-up equipment available for use by Santos is a combination of Santos owned, AMOSC, AMSA, and OSRL equipment as well as other industry resources available through the AMOSPlan mutual aid arrangements. Shoreline consumables are available through hardware, PPE and specialist oil/chemical spill suppliers and mobile plant equipment is available through hire outlets in Darwin, Karratha, Broome, Perth and other regional centres. Where vessel deployments are required, Santos will leverage from existing contracted vessel providers in the first instance, and if required will source vessels from vendors that Santos already has a master service agreement with, or spot hiring vessels as needed. The Santos Vessel Requirements for Oil Spill Response (7710-650-ERP-0001) contains the specification for various types of vessel that may be required in an oil spill response, including vessels for shoreline clean-up support.

Shoreline clean-up personnel available to Santos is a combination of AMOSC Staff, AMOSC Core Group Responders (comprising AMOSC trained Santos and Industry personnel), OSRL responders and National Response Team members. Personnel for manual clean-up and mobile plant operation can be accessed through Santos' labour hire arrangements.

²³ Remote islands and ecologically sensitive locations will have reduced personnel numbers to reduce impacts from clean-up operations.

The level of deployment of equipment and personnel for clean-up will be commensurate to the spatial extent of shoreline contact, the volume of oil arriving and the sensitivity and access constraints of the shoreline in question. Deployment will be under the direction of the relevant Control Agency and the advice of shoreline clean-up specialists from AMOSC Core Group and National/State response teams. Shoreline clean-up assessments (**Section 10.8**) will provide information to guide the clean-up strategy and deployment of resources.

13.4 Shoreline clean-up decision guides

To assist with planning purposes, guidance for the selection of appropriate shoreline response strategies based on shoreline sensitivities is provided within **Appendix J**.

Operational guidelines for shoreline response activities including worksite preparation, manual and mechanical oil removal and vessel access for remote shorelines are included in **Appendix K**.

14. Oiled wildlife

The DEPWS is the Jurisdictional Authority and Control Agency for oiled wildlife response within NT waters. If the oiled wildlife response moves into Commonwealth waters, the Control Agency arrangements will be determined through consultation between the relevant Hazard Management Agencies (DCCEEW for Commonwealth waters and DEPWS for NT waters).

Table 14-1: Oiled wildlife response – environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria

Environmental performance outcome	Implement tactics in accordance with the Santos Oiled Wildlife Response Framework Plan (7700-650-PLA-0017) to prevent or reduce impacts, and to humanely treat, house, and release or euthanise wildlife
Initiation criteria	Operational monitoring shows that wildlife are contacted or are predicted to be contacted by a spill
Termination criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Oiling of wildlife have not been observed over a 48-hour period, and + Oiled wildlife have been successfully rehabilitated, and + Agreement is reached with Jurisdictional Authorities and stakeholders to terminate the incident response

14.1 Overview

The short-term effects of hydrocarbons on wildlife may be direct such as the external impacts from coating or internal effects from ingestion and inhalation. Oiled wildlife response (OWR) includes wildlife surveillance/reconnaissance, wildlife hazing, pre-emptive capture and the capture, cleaning, treatment, and rehabilitation of animals that have been oiled. In addition, it includes the collection, post-mortem examination, and disposal of deceased animals that have succumbed to the effects of oiling.

Long-term effects of a spill on wildlife may be associated with loss/degradation of habitat, impacts to food sources, and impacts to reproduction. An assessment of such impacts is covered in Section 7.5.6 of the EP and post-spill via scientific monitoring (**Section 16**).

The NT DEPWS will be the designated Control Agency (Level 2/3 spills) and Jurisdictional Authority (all spills) for OWR in Territory waters. For level 1 spills, the Vessel Operator and Santos will be the Control Agency for vessel and petroleum activity spills respectively.

14.1.1 Northern Territory Waters and Shorelines OWR

The NTOWRP (AMOSC, 2019) is the key plan for OWR in the NT and provides operational OWR guidance during an incident resulting from a marine based hydrocarbon spill due to petroleum activities within the NTOWRP area of operation. The NTOWRP is primarily designed to be utilised by the Titleholder as an operational OWR plan, but the plan also aims to provide operational guidance to any relevant government and non-government agencies located throughout the NTOWRP area of operation. The plan was developed by AMOSC and was commissioned by Shell Australia, ConocoPhillips and INPEX, and is consistent with regional OWR plans produced by AMOSC, DBCA (WA) and the Department for Environment and Water (DEW), South Australia (SA) (AMOSC, 2019).

The Parks and Wildlife Commission of the Northern Territory (PWC) is the Territory Government agency responsible for administering the *Parks and Wildlife Commission Act 2013*, which has provisions for the protection, conservation and sustainable use of wildlife. For Level 1 spills in Territory waters, Santos will be the Control Agency, including for wildlife response. For Level 2/3 petroleum activity spills, Santos will conduct the initial first-strike response actions for wildlife and continue to manage those operations until the relevant NT Control Agency is activated as the lead agency for OWR and a formal handover occurs. Following formal handover, Santos will function as

a support organisation for the OWR and will be expected to continue to provide planning and resources as required when requested by the relevant NT Control Agency for OWR.

14.2 Wildlife priority protection areas

For planning purposes, determination of wildlife priority protection areas is based on stochastic modelling of the worst-case spill scenarios, the known presence of wildlife, and in consideration of the following:

- + Presence of high densities of wildlife, threatened species, and/or endemic species with high site fidelity
- + Greatest probability and level of contact from floating oil and/or shoreline accumulation
- + Shortest timeframe to contact.

Areas that may be identified by the Control Agency as priority protection areas (based on spill modelling) for Barossa DPD (NT Waters), including key wildlife sensitivities, are described in **Section 6.6** and listed in **Table 6-9**.

Depending on the timing of a potential hydrocarbon spill, certain species could be more impacted because of key seasonal biological activities such as breeding, mating, nesting hatching or migrating.

14.3 Magnitude of wildlife impact

Given the nearshore nature of Barossa DPD (NT Waters) activities, a spill in this environment has significant opportunities to impact wildlife. For a spill resulting in shore line accumulation, there is likely to be greater opportunity to rescue wildlife. By contrast, for offshore spills that do not result in shoreline contact, continued wildlife reconnaissance for rescue opportunities, carcass recovery, sampling of carcasses that cannot be retrieved and scientific monitoring are likely to be the focus of response efforts. During a five-day rapid at sea survey for megafauna conducted during the 2009 Montara oil spill, a high level of diversity and abundance of species were reported within the oil spill region in the Timor Sea, including ~2,800 birds, 462 cetaceans, 25 turtles and 62 sea snakes. Despite the large numbers of wildlife observed only one dying Common Noddy (*Anous stolidus*) and one dead Horned Sea Snake (*Acalyptophis peronii*) were observed and recovered at sea, in spite of the survey covering a distance of 1,238 km and a total survey area of 99,040 ha (Watson *et al.* 2009).

In the absence of a wildlife impact rating guide in the NTOWRP, Santos has adopted the guide for rating wildlife impacts outlined in the Western Australia Oiled Wildlife Response Plan (WAOWRP) (DBCA, 2022a). This plan provides a guide for rating wildlife impacts based on a set of criteria outlined in **Table 14-2** and has been used here for planning purposes to predict the potential wildlife impacts associated with the worst-case spill scenario. The overall impact assessment (low, medium or high) then corresponds with projected OWR personnel requirements specified in the WAOWRP (DBCA, 2022a) and demonstrated by Santos in **Appendix L**.

The stochastic modelling for the worst-case spill scenarios for Barossa DPD (NT Waters) activities predicts that accumulation of oil could potentially occur throughout Darwin Harbour and surrounding coastal waters, Bathurst Island, Vernon Islands, Melville Island and the Cox Finnis shorelines. The area with the greatest predicted potential accumulation of oil is the West Arm shoreline, with a maximum accumulation volume of 111.7 m³ accumulated over the life of the spill (with a 71% probability of accumulation above the 100 g/m² threshold). The WAOWRP (DBCA 2022) Guide for Rating the Wildlife Impact of an Oil Spill (**Table 14-2**) was used as a basis for predicting the potential for wildlife impacts as a result of a spill. Based on a worst-case spill scenario associated with Barossa DPD (NT Waters) activities it is predicted that medium wildlife impacts may occur.

Table 14-2: WAOWRP Guide for rating the wildlife impact of an oil spill (DBCA, 2022a)

Wildlife Impact Rating	Low	Medium	High
What is the likely duration of the wildlife response?	< 3 days	3-10 days	>10 days
What is the likely <u>total</u> intake of animals?	< 10	11-25	>25
What is the likely <u>daily</u> intake of animals?	0-2	2 to 5	>5
Are threatened species, or species protected by treaty, likely to be impacted, either directly or by pollution of habitat or breeding areas?	No	Yes – possible	Yes – likely
Is there likely to be a requirement for building primary care facility for treatment, cleaning and rehabilitation?	No	Yes – possible	Yes – likely

14.4 Implementation guidance

Refer to Section 6 of the Santos Oiled Wildlife Response Framework Plan (7700-650-PLA-0017) for guidance on the tasks and responsibilities that should be considered when implementing an OWR when Santos is the Control Agency or prior to formal hand over to the relevant Control Agency. The OWR First Strike Implementation Guide within the Oiled Wildlife Response Framework Plan (7700-650-PLA-0017) includes:

- + Record keeping;
- + Situational awareness;
- + Activation of Santos IMT Wildlife Branch;
- + Notifications;
- + Santos Oiled Wildlife Rapid Assessment Teams (RATs);
- + Wildlife Reconnaissance;
- + Mobilisation of required resources;
- + Handover to external Control Agency (if relevant).

The OWR first strike plan will focus on notifications, wildlife reconnaissance and response preparation (refer to Section 6.1 of the Santos Oiled Wildlife Response Framework Plan [7700-650-PLA-0017]). Refer to **Table 14-3** for an indicative timeframe for the OWR first strike response and **Appendix L** for resource capability. Preventative actions, such as hazing, along with capture, intake and treatment require a higher degree of planning, approval (licences) and skills and will be planned for and carried out under the wildlife portion of the IAP (refer to Section 6.2 of the Santos Oiled Wildlife Response Framework Plan [7700-650-PLA-0017]).

Table 14-3: Oiled wildlife response – first-strike response timeline

Task	Time from oiled wildlife contact (predicted or observed)
IMT notifies regulatory authorities and AMOSC of oiled wildlife / potential for contact	<2 hours
Mobilise Santos personnel for oiled wildlife reconnaissance **this will be already occurring through Aerial Observer mobilisation**	<24 hours

Task	Time from oiled wildlife contact (predicted or observed)
Mobilisation of AMOSC oiled wildlife equipment and industry OWR team to forward staging area	<48 hours
Minimum resource requirements	
<p>The requirements for oiled wildlife response will be situation specific and dependent upon reconnaissance reports.</p> <p><u>First strike resources:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Reconnaissance platforms (Refer to Santos Oiled Wildlife Framework Plan (7700-650-PLA-001 and Appendix L) + 6 x trained industry oiled wildlife response team personnel (AMOSC staff & contractors/ AMOSC Industry OWR group) <p><u>Additional resources:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Refer to Santos Oiled Wildlife Response Framework Plan (7700-650-PLA-0017) + Refer to Appendix L for information on OWR capability and equipment 	

15. Waste management

Table 15-1 lists the environmental performance outcome, initiation and termination criteria for this strategy.

Table 15-1: Waste management – environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria

Environmental performance outcome	Comply with waste treatment, transport and disposal regulations and prevent secondary contamination while reducing, re-using and recycling waste where possible
Initiation criteria	Response activities that will be generating waste have been initiated
Applicable hydrocarbons	MDO
	✓
Termination criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + All waste generated from the oil spill response has been stored, transported and disposed as per the regulatory requirements, and + Agreement is reached with Jurisdictional Authorities to terminate the response

15.1 Overview

The implementation of some spill response strategies will generate solid and liquid waste that will require rapid management, storage, transport and disposal. It is important that waste is collected and removed efficiently to ensure waste management does not create a bottleneck in response operations.

The type and amount of waste generated during a spill response will vary depending on the spill type/characteristics, volume released, and response strategies implemented. To account for this potential variability, waste management (including handling and capacity) needs to be scalable to allow a continuous response to be maintained.

Where Santos is the Control Agency, or at the request of the designated Control Agency, Santos will engage its contracted Waste Service Provider (WSP) to provide sufficient waste receptacles to store collected waste and manage oily waste collection, transport and disposal associated with spill response activities. The WSP will arrange for all personnel, equipment and vehicles to carry out these activities from nominated collection points to licensed waste management facilities. All transport will be undertaken via controlled-waste-licensed vehicles and in accordance with the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998* (NT). Santos' Oil Pollution Waste Management Plan BAA-201 0027) provides detailed guidance to the WSP in the event of a spill.

15.2 Implementation guidance

Table 15-2 provides guidance to the IMT on the actions and responsibilities that should be considered when selecting this strategy. The Incident Commander is ultimately responsible for implementing the response, and may therefore determine that some tasks be varied, should not be implemented or be reassigned.

Table 15-2: Implementation guidance – waste management

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
Initial actions	Contact WSP (Primary or Secondary Contact Person) and activate Waste Project Manager.	Refer to Incident Response Contacts Directory (SO-00-ZF-00025.020) for contact details.	Logistics Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Based on operational modelling and applicable response strategies communicate the type and quantity of empty liquid and solid waste receptacles required to support planned operations.	It is better to overestimate volumes and scale back resources than to underestimate waste volumes.	Logistics Section Chief Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Using most recent monitor and evaluate data and any existing and future response activities, determine most suitable locations for waste receptacles to be positioned and for temporary storage locations to be established.	Shoreline waste collection points (temporary storage site) will be determined by the relevant Control Agency and will depend upon the location of shoreline clean-up activities and staging areas and the availability of vehicle access routes. Consideration would be given to positioning receptacles and locating temporary storage sites to ensure secondary contamination of sensitive receptors is avoided or minimised. The approval of temporary storage sites would be given through the NT Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security (DEPWS) via the NT Environment Protection Authority.	Logistics Section Chief Planning Section Chief Environmental Unit Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
	For each receipt location indicate the anticipated: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + material types + material generation rates + material generation quantities + commencement date/time + anticipated clean-up duration + receptacle types required + logistical support requirements + any approvals required from Ports, Local Governments, Landowners, Territory Government Agencies (Refer to Oil Pollution Waste Management Plan [BAA-201_0027]). 	Consider facilities for waste segregation at source.	Logistics Section Chief Planning Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Once the above information is obtained, ensure all necessary waste management information is included in the IAP.	Waste management should be done in accordance with Santos' Oil Pollution Waste Management Plan (BAA-201_0027); and where relevant, the <i>Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998</i> (NT); the respective Port, Port Operator and/or Ship Owner's waste management plan.	Logistics Section Chief (or delegate) Planning Section Chief WSP location Responsible Person or Operations Supervisor	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Mobilise waste management resources and services to agreed priority locations.	-	WSP location Responsible Person or Operations Supervisor Logistics Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ongoing	Provide ongoing point of contact between IMT & WSP.	While NT DEPWS is the Control Agency then the NT IMT shall advise the point of contact between them and the WSP.	Logistics Section Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action	Consideration	Responsibility	Complete
<p>Ensure all waste handling, transport and disposal practices comply with legislative requirements.</p>	<p>Alert Logistics Section Chief (or delegate if any non-compliance is anticipated or detected).</p> <p>Site clean-up, removal and disposal of response waste should be conducted in accordance with Santos' Oil Pollution Waste Management Plan (BAA-201_0027); and where relevant, the <i>Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998</i> (NT), the respective Port, Port Operator and/or Ship Owner's waste management plan.</p>	<p>WSP location Responsible Person or Operations Supervisor</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Ensure records are maintained for all waste management activities, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + waste movements (e.g. types of receptacles, receipt points, temporary storage points, final disposal locations) + volumes generated at each site (including total volume and generation rates) + types of waste generated at each site + approvals obtained (as required). 	<p>-</p>	<p>WSP location Responsible Person or Operations Supervisor</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>

15.3 Waste approvals

Site clean-up, removal and disposal of response waste should be conducted in accordance with the relevant Santos Oil Pollution Waste Management Plan (BAA-201 0027); and where relevant, the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998* (NT) and the respective Port, Port Operator and/or Ship Owner's waste management plan. In addition, regulatory approval may be required for the temporary storage, transport, disposal and treatment of waste, through the NT.

While DEPWS administers the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998* (NT), the EPA is the relevant regulatory Authority for waste management. The Santos Oil Pollution Waste Management Plan (BAA-201 0027) provides detail on the regulatory requirements for each port/location likely to be used for waste management during any spill response operation associated with Santos' activities.

15.4 Waste service provider capability

Detailed guidance on Santos' WSP responsibilities for spill response waste management is provided in the Santos Oil Pollution Waste Management Plan (BAA-201 0027).

Key responsibilities of the WSP include:

- + Maintain emergency response standby preparedness arrangements, including:
 - o Have access to personnel, equipment and vehicles required for a first strike and ongoing response commensurate to Santos worst case spill and waste requirements.
 - o Provide primary and secondary contact details for activation of spill response waste management services.
 - o Have suitably trained personnel for completing critical tasks in spill response waste management.
 - o Participate in exercises undertaken by Santos.
- + Maintain ability to assist in the Control Agency's IAP and Waste Management Sub-plan process as required.
- + Mobilise resources to waste collection points identified by the Control Agency.
- + Ensure waste handling, transport and disposal practices meet legislative requirements.
- + Keep auditable records of waste streams from collection points to final disposal points.
- + Provide regular progress reporting to the Control Agency IMT and a final report relating to quantities and destinations of collected waste.
- + Provide a project manager responsible for the rollout of spill response resources to meet spill response waste management objectives.
- + Provide location-specific Operations Supervisor/s to handle on-site operational aspects (management of personnel and equipment, reporting, liaison with relevant field-based spill responders).

15.5 Resource requirements

The quantity of waste produced from a spill is influenced by several factors, principally the quantity spilled, the environmental fate and the clean-up strategy. Spills requiring shoreline clean-up generally create larger volumes of waste, significantly exceeding the original volume spilled.

The worst credible spill modelling results for Barossa DPD (NT Waters) activities indicates a 71% probability of shoreline accumulation >100g/m² across a maximum length of 17km of shoreline, with a maximum accumulation volume along this shoreline of 111.7m³. Based on a spill to waste volume

of ten, a maximum of 1,117m³ of waste could be generated as a result of the worst credible spill scenario.

Table 15-3 summarises the waste storage, treatment and disposal options available to manage waste associated with the spill response options.

The waste products are likely to be transported by vessel from the response location to Darwin Port. Waste will be transported from Darwin Port to licensed waste disposal facilities by a dedicated waste contractor. Santos has existing service agreements with a WSP which include the provision of waste management services during a spill response. Transport to the licensed waste management facilities would be undertaken via controlled-waste-licensed vehicles and in accordance with the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998* (NT). As soon as the details of an actual spill are available, waste management arrangements to allow a continuous response to be maintained should be reviewed.

Table 15-3: Spill response waste storage, treatment and disposal options

Waste category	On-site storage	Treatment/disposal option
Liquid waste (e.g. recovered oil/water mixture)	Holding on vessels, oil drums, tanks, oil barges and flexible bladders	Recovery (e.g. thermal desorption or fixation process) and recycling Incineration Landfill
Solid waste – PPE and consumables (e.g. oily gloves)	Lined skips, oil drums, industrial waste bags, plastic rubbish bags	Recovery (e.g. thermal desorption or fixation process) and recycling Incineration Landfill
Oiled wildlife response	Industrial waste bags, plastic rubbish bags	Incineration Landfill

16. Scientific monitoring

Table 16-1: Scientific monitoring – environmental performance outcome, initiation criteria and termination criteria

Environmental performance outcome	Implement monitoring programs to assess and report on the impact, extent, severity, persistence and recovery of sensitive receptors contacted by a spill or affected by spill response
Initiation criteria	Refer to individual Receptor SMPs (Appendix M)
Applicable hydrocarbons	MDO
Termination criteria	✓
Termination criteria	Refer to individual SMPs (Appendix M)

Oil spill scientific monitoring is the principal tool for detecting and quantifying environmental impact and recovery to sensitive receptors from an oil spill. Santos is required to have an oil spill SMP in place for Petroleum activities in Territory and Commonwealth waters.

Santos will activate and implement scientific monitoring in Territory and Commonwealth waters for hydrocarbon spills in line with its SMPs unless directed otherwise by the relevant Control Agency/s.

16.1 Objectives

The overarching objective of Santos' SMPs is to provide guidance to staff, consultants and contractors in developing monitoring a monitoring program for detecting impacts and recovery to environmentally sensitive receptors contacted by a spill.

Receptor-specific SMPs have different objectives as outlined in **Appendix M**.

16.2 Scope

Santos will implement its SMPs, as applicable, for Barossa DPD activity oil spills across both Territory and Commonwealth waters. For oil spills that contact NT shorelines, Santos will liaise directly with the NT DEPWS and provide all of the required support to implement scientific monitoring on NT shorelines.

16.3 Relationship to operational monitoring

Operational monitoring (**Section 10**) is monitoring undertaken to obtain information which will provide situational awareness and assist in the planning and execution of the oil spill response.

Scientific monitoring activities have different objectives to operational monitoring, which influences the monitoring methods likely to be used, the degree of scientific rigour required to meet the monitoring objectives, and the scope of studies. Scientific monitoring may occur in parallel to operational monitoring and is typically conducted over a wider study area, extending beyond the spill footprint. It is also typically conducted over a longer time period, extending beyond the spill response.

Scientific monitoring is designed to provide data for short-term and longer-term environmental effects assessment. This is typically required to be quantitative in nature and appropriate for statistical analyses. However, these two types of monitoring are related, and Operational Monitoring outputs typically inform the final design of the related SMP.

16.4 Scientific monitoring plans

Owing to the diverse nature of sensitive receptors that could be contacted by an oil spill and the different techniques and skillsets required to monitor impact and recovery to these receptors, there

are a number of Oil Spill Scientific Monitoring Plans relevant to Barossa DPD (NT Waters) activities (**Table 16-2**). These are detailed further in **Appendix M**; each SMP has corresponding objectives, initiation/termination criteria, methodologies, baseline data sources and analysis and reporting requirements, noting that in a response controlled by the relevant Control Agency, the methodology, termination criteria and analysis/reporting requirements may differ.

Table 16-2: Oil spill scientific monitoring plans relevant to Barossa DPD (NT Waters) activities

Study	Title
SMP1	Marine water quality
SMP2	Marine sediment quality
SMP3	Shorelines and coastal habitats – sandy beaches and rocky shores
SMP4	Shorelines and coastal habitats – mangroves
SMP5	Shorelines and coastal habitats – intertidal mudflats
SMP6	Benthic habitats
SMP7	Seabirds and shorebirds
SMP8	Marine megafauna (incl. Whale sharks and mammals)
SMP9	Marine reptiles
SMP10	Seafood quality
SMP11	Fish, fisheries and aquaculture

16.5 Baseline monitoring

Baseline monitoring provides information on the condition of ecological receptors before, or spatially independent of (e.g. if used in control chart analyses), a spill event and is used for comparison with the post-impact scientific monitoring where required. This is particularly important for scientific monitoring where the ability to detect changes between pre-impact and post-impact conditions is necessary.

In the event of a spill to marine or coastal waters, reactive pre-impact monitoring should, where practicable, be implemented to gather additional data on the current state of the environment.

16.6 Monitoring service providers

Oil Spill Scientific Monitoring will be conducted on behalf of Santos by contracted monitoring service providers (MSPs) and applies to the implementation of SMPs 1 to 12 (**Table 16-2**). These services are provided by Santos' Monitoring Service Provider. **Appendix O** provides further information regarding the Monitoring Service Provider's capability and assurance arrangements.

As per the Santos Oil Spill Scientific Monitoring Standby and Response Manual (EA-00-RI-10162), Santos' MSP provides the following scientific monitoring services to Santos:

- + 24/7 monitoring support accessed through 24-hour call-out number
- + provision of a suitably trained Monitoring Coordination Team including a Monitoring Coordinator, Monitoring Operations Officer, Planning and Logistics Officer and Safety Officer
- + provision of Technical Advisers and Field Teams (staff and contractors) for first-strike deployments
- + maintenance of standby monitoring equipment
- + monthly personnel capability reports

- + provision and review of Scientific Monitoring Sub-plans
- + provision and review of Standby Service Manual (EA-00-RI-10162) and associated response activation forms
- + participation in audits, workshops, drills and exercise to facilitate readiness.

Appendix M provides an overview of Santos’ processes in place to provide assurance that its oil spill scientific monitoring arrangements for SMPs 1–11 are fit-for-purpose to meet the worst-case first-strike monitoring requirements associated with the Barossa DPD (NT Waters) activities.

16.7 Activation

The SMP Activation Process is outlined in **Appendix N**. SMPs are activated as per the initiation criteria for each as outlined in **Appendix M**. The SMP Activation Form is available on the Santos ER SharePoint and Environment Unit Leader folder.

The Santos IMT Environment Unit Leader with support from IMT Environment Unit members is responsible for activating the primary MSP. The Santos Environment Unit will assist the MSP Monitoring Coordination personnel and relevant Technical Advisers in defining the monitoring study design, monitoring locations and field methodologies based on Operational Monitoring information (e.g. spill modelling and aerial surveillance information), relative location of sensitive receptors to the spill and the timing of the spill with respect to seasonality of sensitive receptors.

This process will identify monitoring operational objectives and resourcing/ mobilisation requirements which the Environment Unit Leader will feed back to the IMT for approval. Mobilisation times for the minimum resources that are required to commence initial scientific monitoring operations are listed in **Table 16-3**.

In the event that a designated Control Agency takes command of scientific monitoring, Santos will follow the direction of the Control Agency providing planning and resourcing support through its MSPs as required.

Table 16-3: Scientific monitoring – first-strike response timeline

Task	Time from activation
Santos IMT approve initial monitoring plan	<48 hours
Santos to mobilise sampling platforms to deployment location	120 hours (72 hours from monitoring plan approval)
SMP teams and monitoring equipment mobilised to deployment locations	120 hours (72 hours from monitoring plan approval)
Minimum resource requirements	
Initial resourcing requirements will be dependent upon the number of SMPs activated and the requirement for post-spill baseline data to be collected. First-strike personnel requirements for scientific monitoring field teams at SMPAs are presented in Appendix O .	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Suitable vessels for on-water monitoring or transfer of personnel to remotes areas/islands + Vehicle/s as required + Helicopter for aerial surveys as required + Scientific monitoring personnel for first-strike teams (refer to Appendix O) + Scientific monitoring equipment as detailed in the relevant SMP 	

17. Response termination

The decision to terminate the spill response is made in consultation with the relevant Control Agency/s, Jurisdictional Authorities and other Statutory Authorities that play an advisory role. This decision will be made with consideration of:

- + the efficacy and benefit of current response options
- + any potential for additional pollution
- + any potential for additional environmental damage caused by further clean-up efforts
- + an assessment of prevailing weather conditions that can increase risk to response teams or increase the efficacy in weathering hydrocarbon.

An operational NEBA will be conducted to inform the decision-making process. Termination criteria are defined within each section of contingency response activities defined within the OPEP.

Upon conclusion of the spill response activity, Santos will:

- + prepare detailed reports and collate all documents
- + report on the performance objectives of each individual spill response that was mobilised
- + undertake an inventory of consumables and prepare accounts
- + arrange for the return of equipment
- + arrange for the refurbishment of consumed equipment
- + investigate the cause of the incident and report to relevant authorities
- + assess long-term environmental monitoring requirements.

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Appendix A Hydrocarbon characteristics and behaviour

Marine diesel oil (MDO)

I TOPF (2022) and AMSA (2015) categorises MDO as a light-persistent group II hydrocarbon. The physical characteristics of MDO are summarised in **Table A-1**. In the marine environment, a 5% residual of the total quantity of MDO spilt will remain after the volatilisation and solubilisation processes associated with weathering. For full details on the properties of MDO, see 7.6.2.1 of the Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication EP (BAA-200-0074).

In summary, in the marine environment MDO will behave as follows:

- + MDO will spread rapidly in the direction of the prevailing wind and waves;
- + In calm conditions evaporation is the dominant process contributing to the fate of spilled MDO from the sea surface and will account for 60 to 80% reduction of the net hydrocarbon balance;
- + MDO has a strong tendency to entrain into the upper water column (0 m–10 m) (and consequently reduce evaporative loss) in the presence of moderate winds (>10 knots) and breaking waves. However, it re-surfaces when the conditions calm.
- + The evaporation rate of MDO will increase in warmer air and sea temperatures such as those present around the activity area; and
- + MDO residues usually consist of heavy compounds that may persist longer and will tend to disperse as oil droplets into the upper layers of the water column.

Generally, about 6.0% of the MDO mass should evaporate within the first 12 hours (Boiling point (BP) < 180°C); a further 34.6% should evaporate within the first 24 hours (180°C < BP < 265°C); and an additional 54.4% should evaporate over several days (265°C < BP < 380°C). Approximately 5% (by mass) of MDO will not evaporate though will decay slowly over time.

Table A-1: Properties of MDO (RPS, 2022)

Hydrocarbon type	Density (kg/m ³)	Dynamic viscosity at 25 °C (cP)	API	Wax content (%)	Pour point °C	Asphaltene (%)
MDO	829 (@25 °C)	4.0	37.6	0.05	-14	0.05

The mass balance forecast for a calm-wind weathering test case (constant 2.6 m/s or 5 knots, 27°C water temperature and currents) shows that ~36% of the diesel is predicted to evaporate within 24 hours (RPS, 2022). The majority of the remaining MDO on the water surface will weather at a slower rate due to being comprised of the longer-chain compounds with higher boiling points. Evaporation of the residual compounds will slow significantly, and they will then be subject to more gradual decay through biological and photochemical processes (**Figure A-1**).

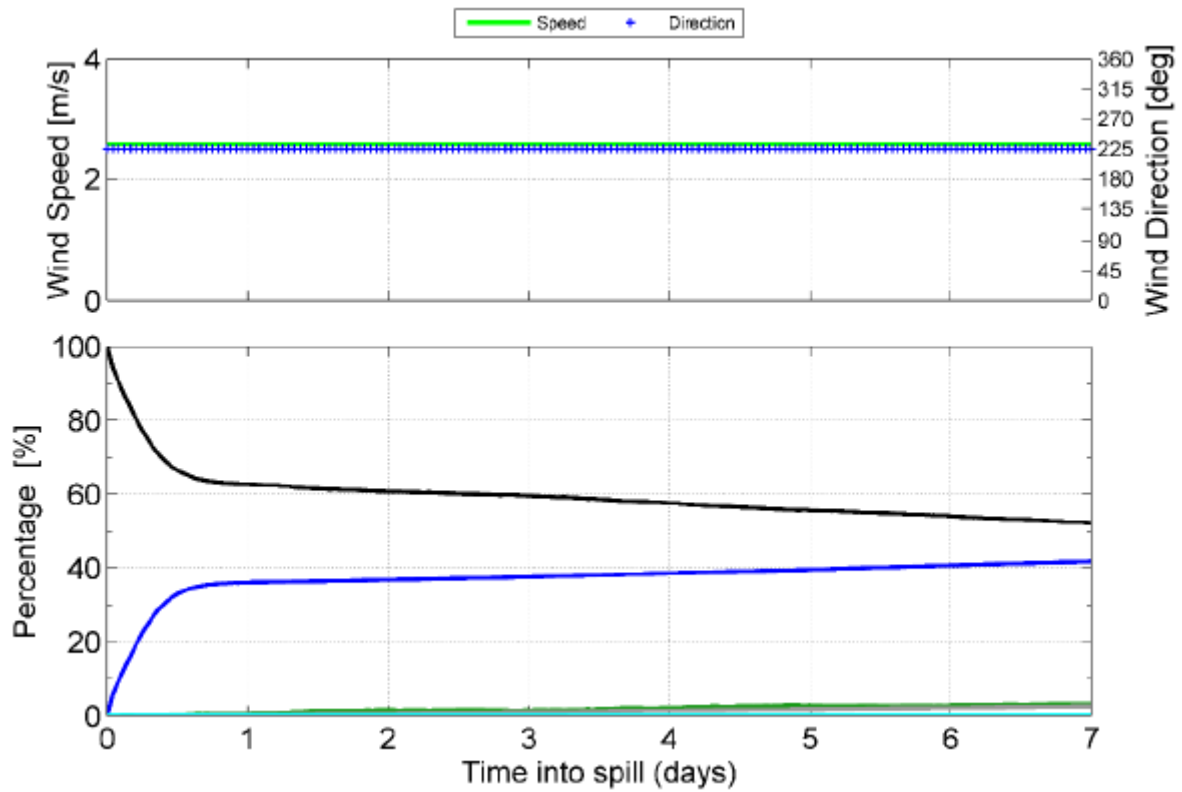


Figure A-1: Typical proportional mass balance plot representing the weathering of MDO spilled onto the water surface as a one-off instantaneous release and subject to a constant 5 knots (2.6 m/s) wind at 27°C water temperature

Appendix B Pollution Report



Marine Pollution Report (POLREP)

BEFORE completing this form please contact the MEER duty officer on (08) 9480 9924 (24hrs). Immediate reporting will enable a rapid response.

Return completed form to:
Maritime Environmental Emergency Response
Department of Transport
Email: marine.pollution@transport.wa.gov.au and rccaus@amsa.gov.au
Phone (08) 9480 9924
Fax: 1300 905 866

INCIDENT DETAILS

Date of Incident: _____ Time of Incident (24 hr format): _____

Location name/description: _____

Incident Coordinates Latitude of spill _____ Longitude of spill _____

Format of coordinates used (select one) Degrees & decimal degrees Degrees, minutes & decimal minutes Degrees, minutes & seconds

Description of Incident: _____

POLLUTION SOURCE

Vessel Land (Specify) _____ Other (Specify) _____ Unknown

Vessel type (if known) Tanker Container Bulk Cargo
 Fishing Defence Recreational Other (Specify) _____

Vessel name: _____ Flag State / Callsign: _____ Australian vessel? Yes No

POLLUTANT

Oil (type) Bilge Diesel HFO bunker Crude Unknown Other (Specify) _____

Chemical Name: _____ MARPOL cat / UN Nos: _____

Garbage Details/description: _____

Packaged Details/description: _____

Sewage Details/description: _____

Other Details/description: _____

EXTENT

Size of spill (length & width in metres): _____

Amount of pollutant, if known (litres): _____

Has the discharge stopped? Yes No Unknown

Weather conditions at site: _____

Photos taken Details: _____ held by: _____

Video taken Details: _____ held by: _____

Samples taken Description: _____ held by: _____

Items retrieved Description: _____ held by: _____

Appendix C Situation Report

Appendix D Vessel Surveillance Observer Log

Vessel Surveillance Observer Log – Oil Spill

Survey Details			
Date	Start time:	End Time:	Observers:
Incident:			Area of Survey:
Vessel:			Master:
Weather Conditions			
Wind speed (knots):		Wind direction:	
Time high water and height (LAT):		Current direction:	
Time low water and height (LAT):		Current speed (nM):	
Tide during observations:		Sea state:	
Stage of tide during observations (incoming/falling):		Other weather observations:	

Slick Details										
Slick grid parameters by lat/long:					Slick grid parameters (vessel speed)		Slick grid dimensions: N/A			
Length Axis:		Width Axis:			Length Axis: N/A		Width Axis	Length	nm	
Start Latitude		Start Latitude			Time (seconds)		Time (seconds)	Width	nm	
Start Longitude		Start Longitude						Length	nm	
End Latitude		End Latitude			Speed (knots)		Speed (knots)	Width	nm	
End Longitude		End Longitude						Grid area	km ²	
Code	Colour	%age cover observed	Total grid area		Area per oil code		Factor	Oil volume		
1	Silver			km ²		km ²	40-300 L/ km ²		L	
2	Iridescent (rainbow)			km ²		km ²	300-5,000 L/ km ²		L	
3	Discontinuous true oil colour (Brown to black)			km ²		km ²	5,000-50,000L/ km ²		L	
4	Continuous true oil colour (Brown to black)			km ²		km ²	50,000 – 200,000 L/ km ²		L	
5	Brown / orange			km ²		km ²	>200,000 L/ km ²		L	

Timeline of observations:

Time	Description

Appendix E Aerial Surveillance Observer Log

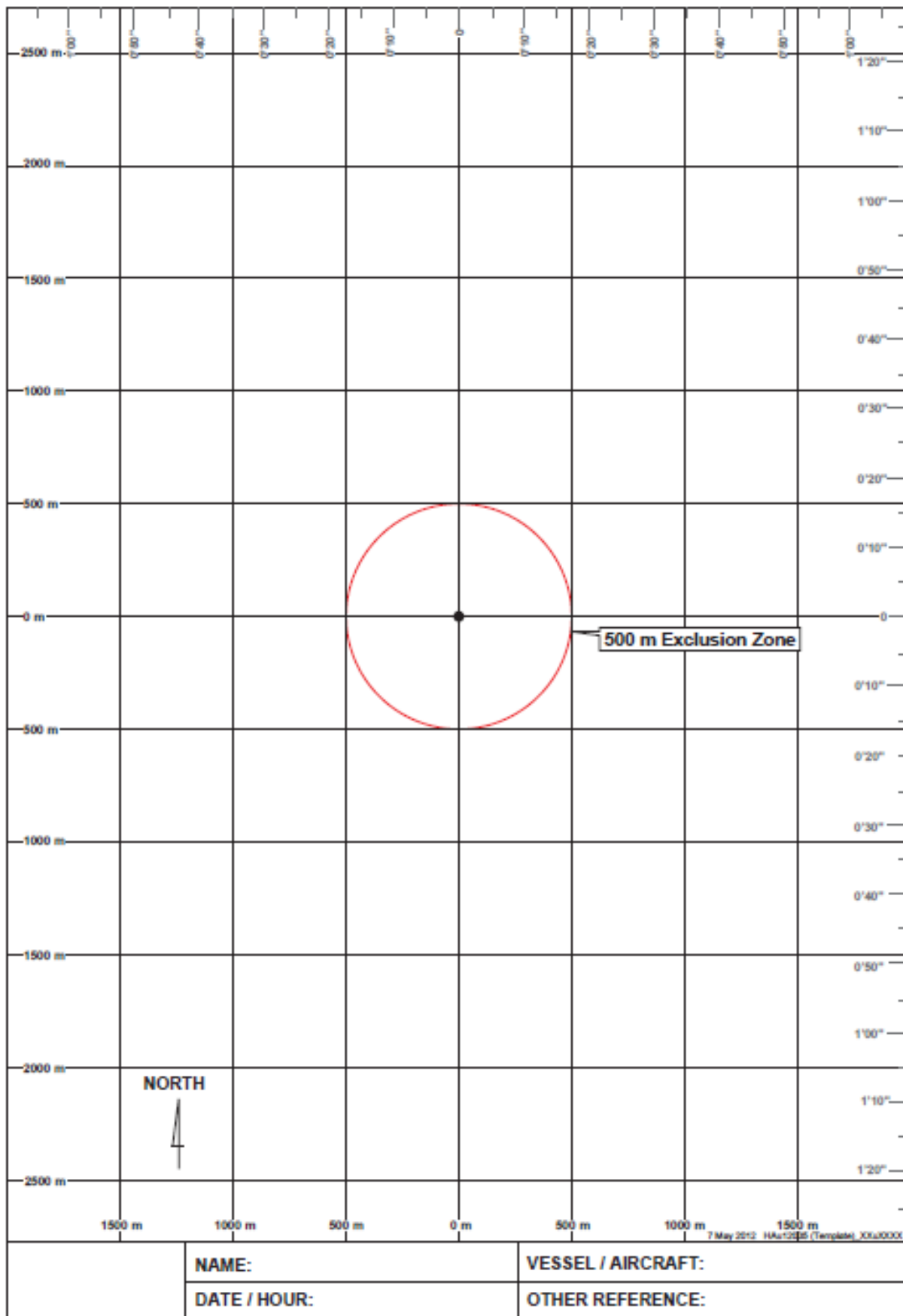
Aerial Surveillance Observer Log – Oil Spill

Survey Details			
Date:	Start time:	End Time:	Observer/s:
Incident:		Area of Survey:	
Aircraft type:	Call sign:	Average Altitude:	Remote sensing used:
Weather Conditions			
Wind speed (knots)	Wind direction		
Cloud base (feet)	Visibility		
Time high water	Current direction		
Time low water	Current speed (nM)		

Slick Details									
Slick grid parameters (lat/long)				Slick grid parameters (air speed)		Slick grid dimensions			
Length Axis		Width Axis		Length Axis		Width Axis	Length	nm	
Start Latitude		Start Latitude		Time (seconds)		Time (seconds)	Width	nm	
Start Longitude		Start Longitude					Length	nm	
End Latitude		End Latitude		Air Speed (knots)		Air Speed (knots)	Width	nm	
End Longitude		End Longitude					Grid area	km ²	
Code	Colour	% cover observed	Total grid area	Area per oil code		Factor	Oil volume		
1	Silver		km ²		km ²	40-300 L/ km ²		L	
2	Iridescent (rainbow)		km ²		km ²	300-5,000 L/ km ²		L	
3	Discontinuous true oil colour (Brown to black)		km ²		km ²	5,000-50,000L/ km ²		L	
4	Continuous true oil colour (Brown to black)		km ²		km ²	50,000 – 200,000 L/ km ²		L	
5	Brown / orange		km ²		km ²	>200,000 L/ km ²		L	

Appendix F Aerial Surveillance Surface Slick Monitoring
Template

AERIAL SURVEILLANCE SURFACE SLICK MONITORING TEMPLATE



Appendix G Aerial Surveillance Marine Fauna Sighting Record

OIL SPILL SURVILLANCE - MARINE FAUNA SIGHTING RECORD SHEET

Date:		Time:	
Latitude:		Longitude:	

MARINE FAUNA ID GUIDE



Humpback whale



Blue whale



Whale shark



Dugong



Minke whale



Sperm whale



Hawksbill turtle



Loggerhead turtle



Killer whale



Bryde's whale



Green turtle



Flatback turtle

Whale species unknown



Bottlenose dolphin



Spinner dolphin

Dolphin species unknown



Leatherback turtle

Turtle species unknown

FAUNA DETAILS					
Category	Type/species? Adult/juvenile? ID confidence?	Number	Date/Time	Photo/ video taken? Reference No.	<u>Behaviour / Comments.</u> Proximity to oil? Oiled? Milling? Feeding? Transiting?
Cetaceans (Whales/ Dolphins)					
Turtles					
Birds					
Dugongs					
Sharks					
Other					

Other details for each observation location

WEATHER DETAILS

- Sea State** Mirror calm Small waves Slight ripples
 Large waves some whitecaps Large waves, many whitecaps
- Visibility** Excellent Good Moderate Poor Very Poor

OBSERVER DETAILS

Observer Name

Observer signature

Observer Inexperienced Experienced

Appendix H Aerial Surveillance Shoreline Observation Log

Aerial Surveillance Reconnaissance Log – Oil Spill

Survey Details					
Incident:	Date:	Start time:	End Time:	Observer/s:	
Area of Survey					
<u>Start GPS</u> LATITUDE: LONGITUDE:			<u>End GPS</u> LATITUDE: LONGITUDE:		
Aircraft type	Call sign	Average Altitude	Remote sensing used (if any)		
Weather Conditions					
Sun/Cloud/Rain/Windy	Visibility	Tide Height L/M/H			
Time high water	Time low water	Other			
Shoreline Type - Select only ONE primary (P) and ANY secondary (S) types present					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rocky Cliffs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Boulder and cobble beaches	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sheltered tidal flats
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exposed artificial structures	<input type="checkbox"/>	Riprap	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mixed sand and gravel beaches
<input type="checkbox"/>	Inter-tidal platforms	<input type="checkbox"/>	Exposed tidal flats	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fine-Medium sand grained beaches
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mangroves	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sheltered rocky shores	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sheltered artificial structures		
Operational Features (tick appropriate box)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Direct backshore access	<input type="checkbox"/>	Alongshore access	<input type="checkbox"/>	Suitable backshore staging
Other					

Appendix I Shoreline Clean-up Equipment

Equipment List for an Initial deployment of a 6 person Manual Clean Up Team

On Shore Clean-up Tools		Quantity
Disposal Bag Labelled, 140 cm x50cm x 100um		1000
Disposal Bag large fit 205ltr drum, 100cm x 150cm x 100um		50
Polyethylene Safety Shovel 247mm z 978mm		2
Steel Shovel		4
Steel Rake		2
Landscapers Rake		2
Barrier Tape – “Caution Spill Area”		10
Pool scoop with extendable handle – flat solid		2
Poly Mop Handle		2
Safety Retractable Blade Knife		2
Poly Rope 20m		6
Star Pickets		24
Star Picket driver		1
Hand Cleaner		1
Cable ties – general use		1000
Wheel Barrow		2
Galvanised Bucket		4
Pruning secateurs		2
Hedge Shears		1
Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) Team of 6		
Spill Crew Hazguard water resistant coveralls (assort sizes)		36
Respirator dust/mist/fume and valve		40
Disposable box light nitrile gloves (100bx)		2
Alpha Tec gloves (assort size)		24
Ear Plugs (200bx)		1
Safety Glasses		18
Safety Goggles non vented		6
Gum Boots (assort size)		18
Rigger Gloves (assort size)		18
Day/Night Vest		6
Storage Equipment		
Collapsible Bund 1.6m x 1.2m		2
Collapsible bund 4m x 2.4m		1
Misc sizes of ground sheets/tarps		6
Absorbents		
Absorbent Roll ‘oil and fuel only’ 40m x 9m		6
Absorbent Pad “oil and fuel only” 45cm x 45cm		400
Poly Mops (snags)		150
Poly Absorbent Wipes		10
Additional Items		
Folding Deck Chair		6
Folding Table		1
Shelter open side		1
6 Person first aid kit		1
Wide Brim Hat with cord		6
Sunburn Cream 1 litre pump bottle		1
Personal Eyewash bottle 500mls		6
Personal Drink bottle 750mls		6
Boxes, Bin and Lid Storage/transport assorted		
Optional Items		

Inflatable Tent 9 square metres	1
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Equipment list for a decontamination unit for Beach Clean Up Team

Shore Clean-up Tools		Quantity
Inflatable Decon Tent		1
Inflatable Tent 9 square metres – Modesty or Control tent		1
Misc sizes of ground sheets/tarps		4
Collapsible Bund 1.6m x 1.2m (two stages)		2
2 stools in each bund		
Collapsible Bund 4m x 2.4m (for used PPE and clothing into DB's)		1
Long Handled Scrub brush		2
Scrub Brush		2
Simple Green 20 ltr		2
Poly Absorbent Wipes		10
Wet Wipe Canister		6
Disposal Bag for Clothing, 140cm x 50cm x 100um		100
Bath towel		6
Liquid soap in push dispenser (citrus based)		1
Track mat – Absorbent for Corridor/walkway		1
Star pickets		16
Star picket driver		1
Barrier tape to create corridors		4
Safety Goggles non vented (used during decon)		6
Optional Items		
Folding Deck Chair		6
Folding Table		1
Shelter open side		1
6 Person first aid kit		1
Wide Brim Hat with cord		6
Sunburn Cream 1 litre pump bottle		1
Personal Eyewash bottle 500mls		6
Personal Drink bottle 750mls		6
Boxes, Bin and Lid Storage/transport assorted		

Equipment list for deployment of a 6-person team for flushing or recovery

Flushing Equipment		Quantity
	Diesel self prime semi trash pump, 25-35 psi, 4.8hp	1
	Perforated 2" lay flat hose, 20 mtr sections	2
	Section Hose 2", 20m sections	5
	Hose End Strainer	1
Recovery Equipment		
	Tidal Boom (shoreline boom) 25m lengths	2 (50m)
	Tidal Boom Accessories pack	1
	Versatech Zoom Curtin Boom 300mm chamber, 450mm skirt 25m section	2 (50m)
	Towing Bridle	2
	Danforth Sand Anchor Kit, 30m lines, 15m trip lines	3
	Diesel Powered pump with hose	1
	Manta Ray skimmer	1
Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) Team of 6		
	Spill Crew Hazguard water resistant coveralls (assort sizes)	36
	Respirator dust/mist/fume and valve	40
	Disposable box light nitrile gloves (100bx)	2
	Ear Plugs (200bx)	1
	Safety Glasses	18
	Gum Boots (assort size)	18
	Hyflex Oil Restraint Gloves (assort size)	18
	Day/Night Vest	6
Storage Equipment		
	Collapsible Bund 1.6m x1.2m	1
	Misc sizes of ground sheets/tarps	6
	Collapsible Tank 5000 litres	2
Absorbents		
	Absorbent Boom 'oil and fuel only' 3 or 6m x 180mm	200mtrs
	Absorbent Roll 'oil and fuel only' 40m x 9m	10
	Absorbent Pad "oil and fuel only" 45cm x 45cm	1000
	Poly Absorbent Wipes	10
Additional Items		
	Folding Deck Chair	6
	Folding Table	1
	Shelter open side	1
	6 Person first aid kit	1
	Wide Brim Hat with cord	6
	Sunburn Cream 1 litre pump bottle	1
	Personal Eyewash bottle 500mls	6
	Personal Drink bottle 750mls	6
	Boxes, Bin and Lid Storage/transport assorted	
	Inflatable Tent 9 square metres	1

Equipment list for a 6 person team for near shore clean up

Absorbents		
	Absorbent Roll 'oil and fuel only' 40m x 9m	20
	Absorbent Pad "oil and fuel only" 45cm x 45cm	2000
	Absorbent Boom "oil and fuel only" 3or6m z 180mm	200mtrs
	Poly Mops (snags)	150
	Poly Absorbent Wipes	20
Recovery Equipment		
	Tidal Boom (shoreline boom) 25m lengths	4 (100m)
	Tidal Boom Accessories pack	2
	Versatech Zoom Curtin Boom 300mm chamber, 450mm skirt 25m section	8 (200m)
	Towing Bridle	2
	Danforth Sand Anchor Kit 15kg 30m lines, 15m trip lines	10
	Weir Skimmer 30T hr	1
	Trash Screen for above	1
	Diesel Powered pump with hose	1
	Manta Ray skimmer	1
Shore Clean-up Tools		Quantity
	Disposal Bag large fit 205ltr drum, 100cm x 150cm x 100um	200
	Pool scoop with extendable handle – flat solid	2
	Poly Mop Handle	2
	Poly Rope 20m	10
	Star Pickets	24
	Star Picket driver	1
	Intrinsic Safe Torch	6
	Hand Cleaner	1
	Cable ties (to add extra join to absorbent booms)	150
Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) Team of 6		
	Spill Crew Hazguard water resistant coveralls (assort sizes)	36
	Disposable box light nitrile gloves (100bx)	2
	Alpha Tec gloves (assort size)	24
	Ear Plugs (200bx)	1
	Safety Glasses – with head strap	18
	Gum Boots (worn extra large or as advised by skipper)	18
	Steel cap waders	2
	Personal Flotation Device	6
	Rigger Gloves (assort size)	18
Storage Equipment		
	Collapsible Bund 1.6m x 1.2m	2
	Collapsible bund 4m x 2.4m	1
	Collapsible Tank 5000 litres	2
	Alum box, Bin & lid Storage/transport cases	10
	Misc sizes of ground sheets/tarps	6
Optional Items		
	6 Person first aid kit	1
	Wide Brim Hat with cord	6
	Sunburn Cream 1 litre pump bottle	1
	Personal Eyewash bottle 500mls	6
	Personal Drink bottle 750mls	6

Appendix J Shoreline Response Strategy Guidance

Shoreline Response Strategy Guidelines

Guidance on response methods for sensitive coastal habitats is provided in **Table M-1**.

Guidance on applicable shoreline clean-up techniques based on shoreline substrate and degree of oiling are presented in **Figure M-1** to **Figure M-4**.

Table M-1: Strategy Guidance for shoreline response at coastal sensitivities

Sensitive Receptors	Strategy Guidance
Mangroves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All efforts should be mounted to prevent any oil from moving towards this area by using booms to divert the oil away from this area. - However, if oil is expected to move into this area, multiple rows of booms, or earthen booms can be deployed at the entrance of creeks or along the mangrove fringe to prevent/minimise oiling. - Sorbents can be used to wipe heavy oil coating from roots in areas of firm substrate. Close supervision of clean-up is required. - Where thick oil accumulations are not being naturally removed, low-pressure flushing may be attempted at the outer fringe – sorbent pads and sorbent sweeps can be used to recover the sheen. - No attempt should be made to clean interior mangroves, except where access to the oil is possible from terrestrial areas. - Oily debris should be removed; it is extremely important to prevent disturbance of the substrate by foot traffic; thus most activities should be conducted from boats. - Live vegetation should not be cut or otherwise removed.
Mudflats	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All efforts should be mounted to prevent any oil from moving towards this area by using booms to divert the oil away from this area. - However, if oil is expected to move into this area, multiple rows of booms, or earthen booms can be deployed at the entrance of channels filling/ draining mudflats. - Efforts to manually clean mudflats may result in further damage due to trampling of the oil into sediments which typically rich in biota and provide a food source for fish and birds. - Therefore, natural remediation may be the preferred approach and if removal is required, the flushing of oil into open water, if feasible, may be preferred to manual collection - The presence of wildlife (e.g. shorebirds) and sensitive flora (e.g. mangroves) which are often associated with mudflats needs to be considered in determining the best approach.

Sensitive Receptors	Strategy Guidance
Sandy beaches	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clean-up techniques will depend upon the degree of infiltration into sand or and degree of burial which will require surveying/mapping - Clean-up will also depend upon sensitivity of environment (existing ecological features), access to the beach and potential for additional erosion. - Oil and oiled sediments can be physically removed offsite, moved to surf zone for surf washing of sediment or assisted to move to water edge by ploughing of channels or flushing. - Recovery of oil can be by manual means (hand tools) or mechanical means (earth moving, pumping equipment). - The sensitivity of the environment is a key factor, with manual removal creating less waste and disturbance but more consuming in time and resources.
Seabirds, shorebirds and migratory waders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All efforts should focus on deflecting oil away from this area or dispersing the oil offshore or using booms offshore to divert the oil away from this area. - If oil is expected to move into the coastal colonies and roosting areas, multiple booms can be deployed along the reserve to prevent/minimise oiling.
Turtle nesting beaches during or near nesting season	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All efforts should be mounted to prevent any oil from moving towards this area by using booms to divert the oil away from this area. - However, if oil is expected to move into this area, booms can be deployed along the reserve to prevent/minimise oiling.
Fringing coral reef communities (Note: submerged coral reef communities are less susceptible to oiling)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Little can be done to protect coral reef beds along exposed sections of shoreline. - Floating oil would potentially coat living reef communities, which are usually slightly elevated and are consequently exposed at low tide. - Natural recovery with a close monitoring program is the preferred clean-up technique. Clean-up of the reef itself by natural processes is expected to be rapid. - As much as practicable, oil should be removed from adjacent intertidal areas to prevent chronic exposure of the corals to oil leaching from these sites. - Use of sorbents should be limited to those that can be contained and recovered.
Macroalgal and seagrass beds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All efforts should focus on deflecting oil away from this area, dispersing the oil offshore, or using booms to divert the oil away from this area. - Extreme care should be taken not to disturb the sediments during clean-up operations in the vicinity of macroalgal and seagrass beds, which could result in total loss of the macroalgal and seagrass beds. - Removal of oiled parts of the macroalgal and seagrass beds should only be considered when it can be demonstrated that special species are at significant risk of injury from contact or grazing on the macroalgal and seagrass beds. - Otherwise, the best strategy for oiled seaweed is to allow natural recovery.
Rocky coast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Where practicable, booms can be deployed parallel to the rocky coasts to prevent/minimise oiling. - Flushing rocky shoreline is considered the most effective method of cleaning. Care must be taken to assess the fate and transport of the flushed oil and sorbent snares can be used to recover if deemed necessary to reduce impacts to ALARP. - For small areas of contamination, rocky structure can be manually wiped with sorbent pads or scraped to remove oil.

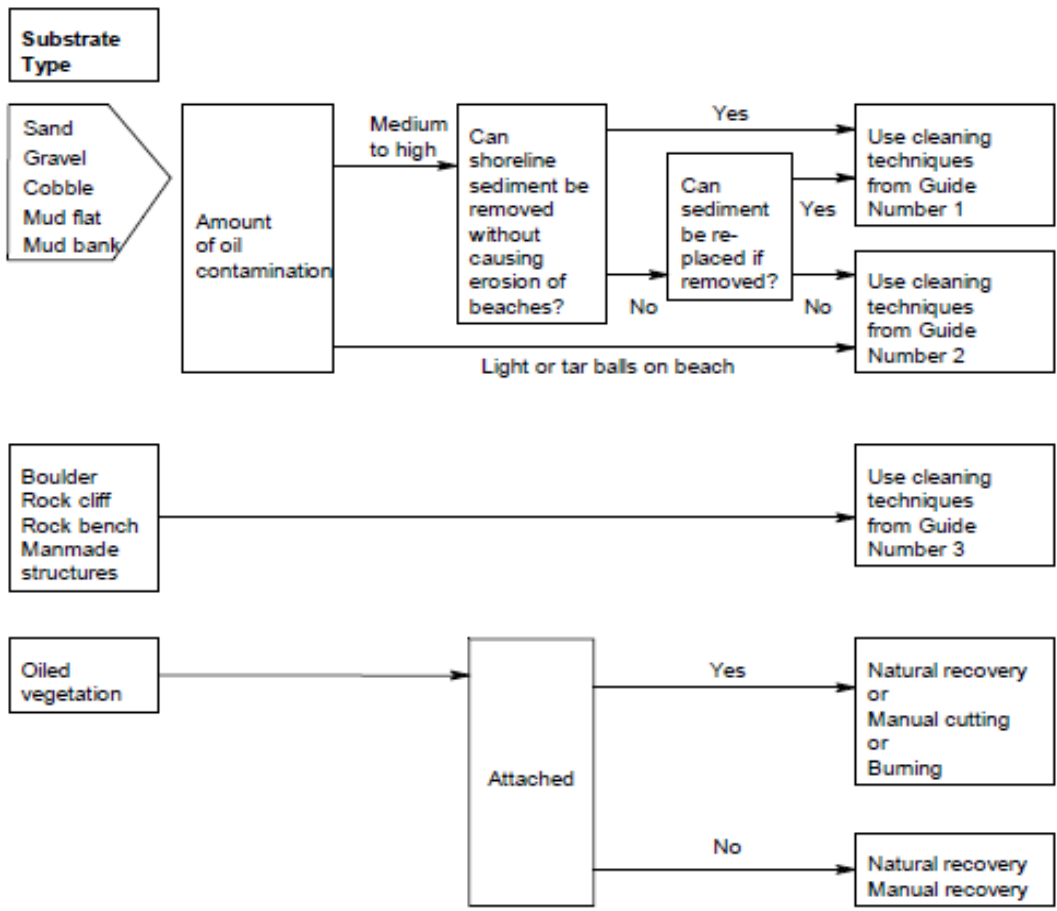


Figure M-1: Shoreline Clean-up Master Decision Guide

Shoreline Cleanup Decision Guide Number 1

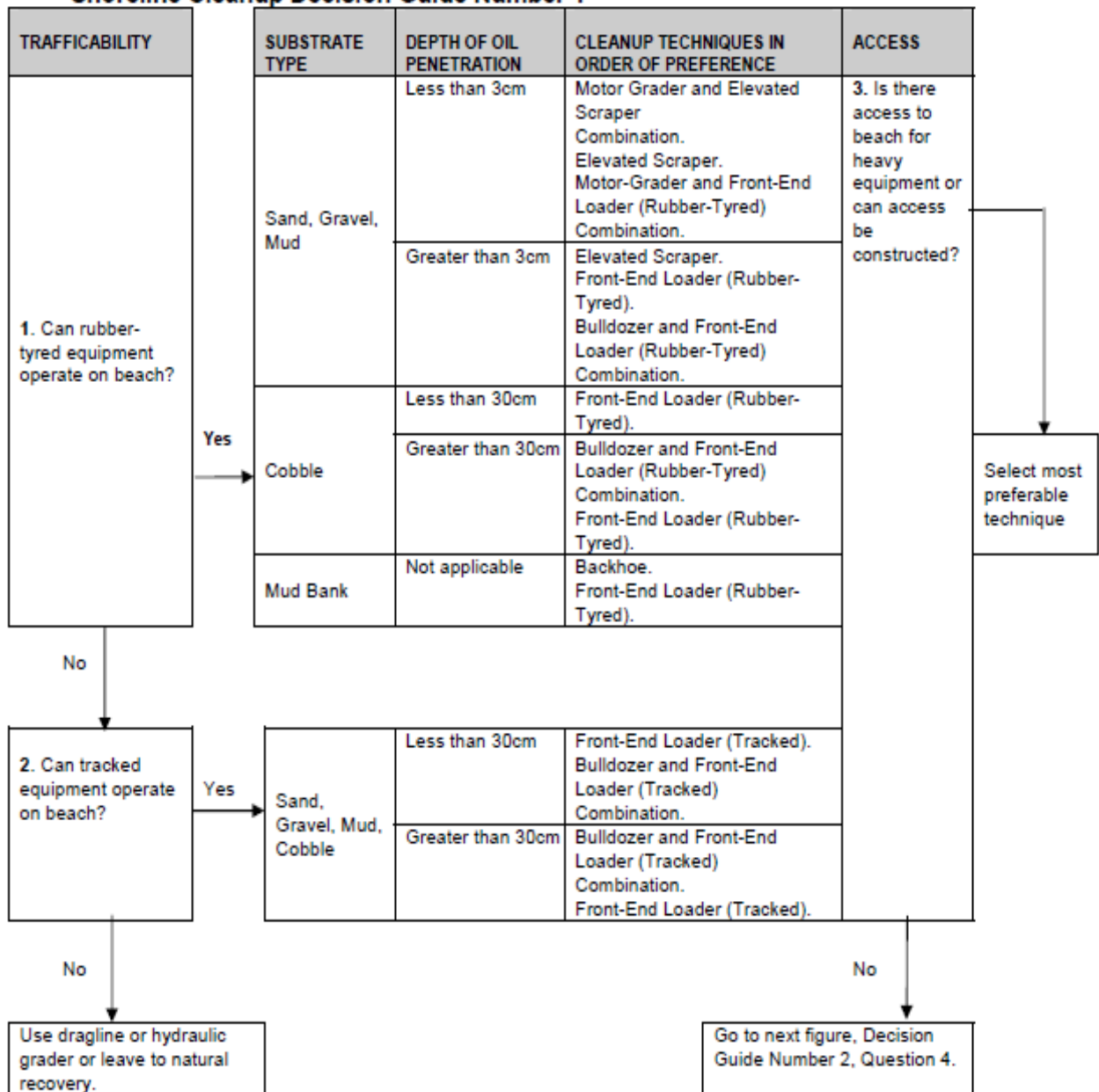


Figure M-2: Shoreline Clean-Up Decision Guide 1

Shoreline Cleanup Decision Guide Number 2

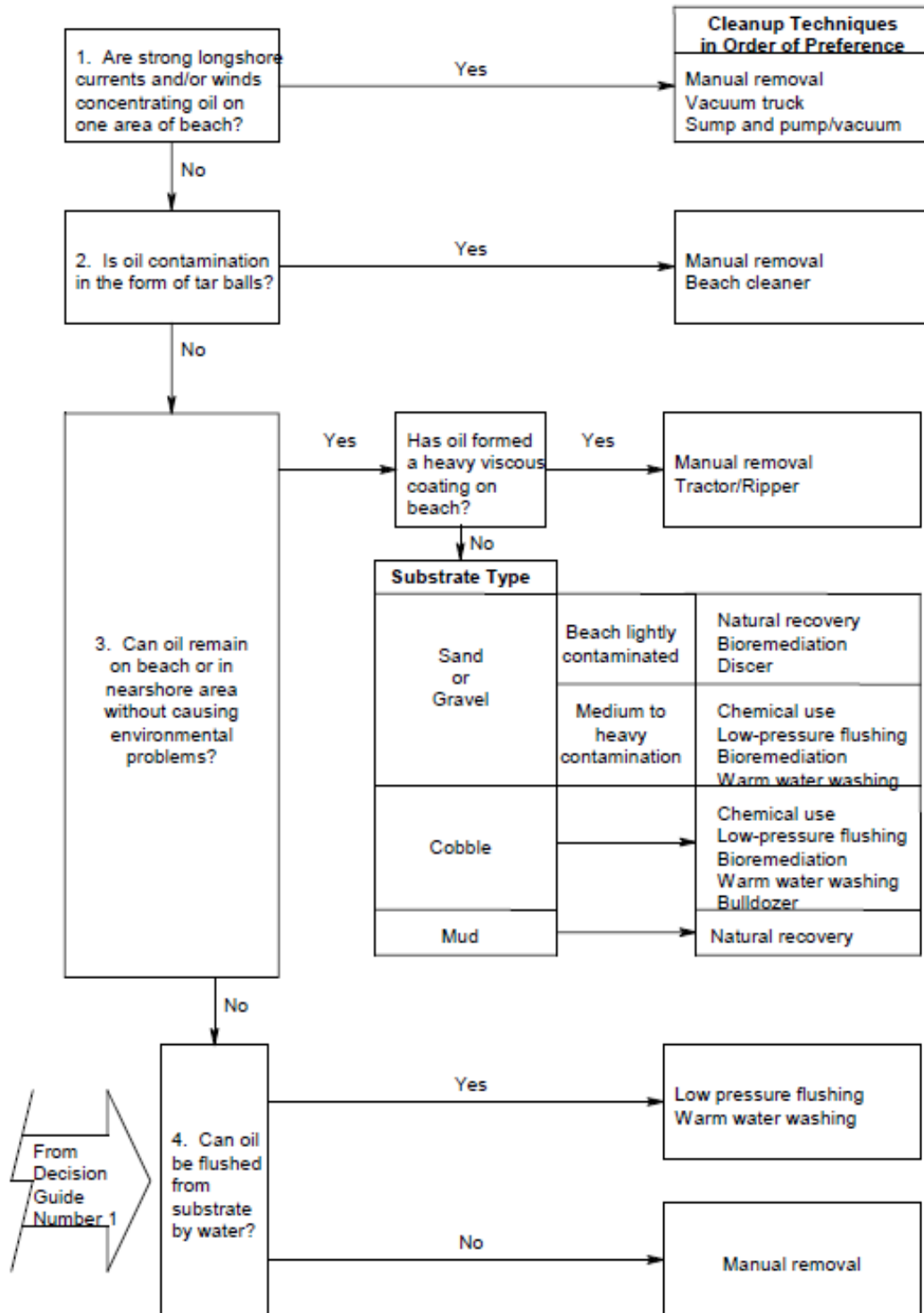


Figure M-3: Shoreline Clean-Up Decision Guide 2

Shoreline Cleanup Decision Guide Number 3

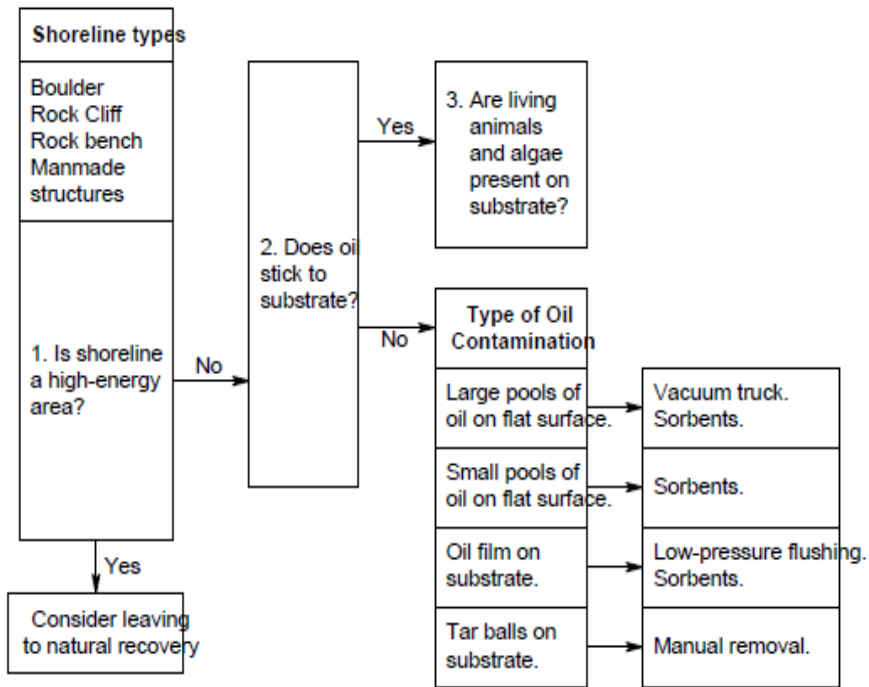


Figure M-4: Shoreline Clean-Up decision Guide 3

Appendix K Operational Guidelines for Shoreline Response

Operational Guidelines for Shoreline Clean-up activities

1.1.1 Worksite preparation guidelines

The following provides guidelines for the preparation of staging areas supporting shoreline clean-up operations.

Organisation and worksite set-up

The worksite does not only include the polluted areas that require cleaning. Several other specific areas must be identified and cordoned off and routes for pedestrians and vehicles should be signposted.

These specific areas are:

- The polluted area;
- The waste storage area, with different types of containers suitable for the different kinds of waste;
- The decontamination area: whatever the size of the spill, a decontamination phase for operational personnel, equipment and tools must be carried out in order to provide some comfort to personnel after each work session, avoiding oiling clean areas, and group together personal clean-up equipment and protective gear, to facilitate the management of the site (cleaning, storage, re-use);
- A rest area, with at least changing rooms, toilets, a first aid kit and cold and hot beverages. Cold or even hot meals can also be organised on the spot provided that a canteen tent or temporary building is available; and
- A storage area for tools and machinery (or equipment warehouse).

Access to the worksite should be restricted and traffic of vehicles should be strictly regulated to avoid accidents.

Preparation

- Prevent the general public from accessing the worksite;
- Delineate accesses for vehicles and machinery (check load-bearing capacity) and routes;
- Channel vehicle and pedestrian traffic;
- Protect the ground (geotextile, roll out mat system...) during operations in sensitive areas (dunes...);
- Prepare and signpost the different areas of activity (on the beach), living areas (locker room, meals, showers, toilets...) and stockpiling areas presenting a risk (fuel, equipment, waste pit....);
- Define a site for fluid storage away from the locker room:
 - Provide an extinguisher for each cabin
 - Set up a recovery system for fuel leaks
- Provide at least minimum lighting for installations and the surrounding area during the winter.

Basic Equipment	Extra Equipment
✓ Plastic liners, geotextiles	✓ Bins, barrels, skips, tanks
✓ Barrier tape and stakes	✓ Hot and cold beverages (Welfare)
✓ Signposting equipment	✓ Cooking oil, soap (Welfare)
	✓ Earthmoving equipment

PRIMARY STORAGE OF WASTE

A primary storage site is:

- ✓ An emergency staging area of the immediate deposit of the waste collected before its transfer to either an intermediate long term storage site or if possible directly to a treatment facility; and
- ✓ A key stage in the waste management process for sorting, labelling and quantifying the types and volumes of waste collected and when possible, reducing volumes to be transported by pre-treatment.

The storage site must be closed as soon as clean-up operations are completed.

The return of the site to its original condition implies:

- ✓ A contamination diagnosis made by an organisation specialised in ground pollution, decontamination operations if needed and the approval of the authorities; and
- ✓ In some cases, botanical evaluations to define a plant cover restoration operation.

✓ Segregate the different types of waste
✓ Protect containers from rain water and to contain odours
✓ Protect containers from prolonged exposure to sunlight if necessary
✓ Ensure security to prevent unauthorised dumping

Primary waste storage sites should meet certain criteria:

- ✓ Close proximity to the site of clean-up;
- ✓ Good access to roads for heavy lorries; and
- ✓ A flat area with enough space away from environmentally-sensitive areas (vegetation, groundwater) and out of reach of the sea tides and waves.

- ✓ Depending on the volume of waste, site characteristics and availability of containers, prepare:
 - Staging areas
 - Pits if necessary
 - Platform within earth berms
 - Platform for bagged solids and liquids in tank.
- ✓ Protect areas using watertight plastic liners
- ✓ Lay fine gravel or sand at the base of the storage area to protect the membranes
- ✓ Prepare rain water or effluent management
- ✓ Ensure correct labelling of the containers to avoid mixing the different types of waste (liquid, solid, non-biodegradable – oiled plastics, contaminated cleanup equipment, biodegradable – oiled seaweed, faunal)
- ✓ Control access to the cleanup sites and protect access routes using lining and/or geotextiles

BASE CAMP/REST AREA

The rest area (base camp) should at least consist of:

- ✓ Changing rooms;
- ✓ Toilets; and
- ✓ A rest area.

At base camp, operators must be provided with:

- ✓ A first aid kit; and
- ✓ Hot and cold beverages, meals.

Selection of the rest area must meet certain criteria:

- ✓ Close proximity to the clean-up site;
- ✓ Easy access; and
- ✓ A flat area with enough space away from environmentally sensitive areas.

Equipment

- ✓ Shelter/rest area (tent, temporary building);
- ✓ Portable toilets (at least one for men and one for women);
- ✓ Locker rooms;
- ✓ First aid kit;
- ✓ Fire extinguisher; and
- ✓ Communication equipment.

STORAGE AREA FOR EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY

This area consists of an equipped repair and maintenance site.

In order to avoid incidents and clean-up equipment failures, equipment should only be used by trained personnel and all equipment should regularly be checked for conformity with standard operating procedures and safety.

- ✓ Check and adjust daily levels of gasoline, diesel, oil, water and other fluids
- ✓ Regularly maintain the machines (pumps, pressure washers...)
- ✓ Equipment must be checked, counted by the person in charge of logistics and stored daily at the end of the work day
- ✓ Some pieces of equipment must be washed or at least rinsed daily, with proper recovery of cleaning effluent, other kinds of equipment should be washed weekly or at the end of operations
- ✓ Set up a systematic maintenance-cleaning-repair operation at the end of each week
- ✓ Small tools and equipment and even detachable parts of all equipment remaining outside should be securely stored away (eg stainless steel bucket of small sand screeners)
- ✓ In case of interruption of operations, large pieces of equipment should be moved to a supervised site
- ✓ Regularly check equipment for conformity and safety

The storage area for equipment and machinery must meet certain criteria:

- ✓ Close proximity to the site of clean-up;
- ✓ Easy access; and
- ✓ A flat area with enough space away from environmentally-sensitive areas.

Equipment

- ✓ Cabins;
- ✓ Hut;
- ✓ Maintenance equipment and tools; and
- ✓ Cleaning equipment.

1.1.2 Manual clean-up guidelines

Oil, polluted sediment and debris are removed by hand or with the help of manual tools and then stored for disposal.

Conditions of use

- ✓ Pollution : all types ; most often scattered pollution; on large spills, if implementation of other techniques is impossible;
- ✓ Pollutant : all types;
- ✓ Substrate : all types; sufficient load bearing capacity for pedestrians and light equipment; and
- ✓ Site: all types sufficiently accessible and which tolerate intensive traffic.

Equipment

Basic Equipment:

- ✓ Scrapers (paint scrapers, long handle scrapers...), rakes, brushes, forks; and
- ✓ Landing nets, shovels, trowels.

Extra Equipment:

- ✓ Waste containers, big bags, bins, plastic bags; and
- ✓ Front-end loader (for disposal).

PPE: At least protective clothing: overalls, boots, gloves, etc. depending on the nature of the pollutant, exposure and responder activity.

- ✓ Divide the response personnel among three functions:
 - Collection/scraping/gathering
 - Placing in bags/waste containers
 - Disposal
- ✓ Rotate the teams among the three functions;
- ✓ The waste can be disposed of manually or with the use of mechanical means if possible;
- ✓ Don't overfill bins, plastic bags; and
- ✓ Don't remove excessive quantities of sediments.

Impact

- ✓ Impact insignificant to heavy, depending on the type of substrate. Risk of destroying the structure of the substrate in marshes. Erosion;
- ✓ Potentially destructive effects on vegetation (dunes, marshland);
- ✓ Deconstruction and destabilisation of the foot of the dune (upper end of beach); erosion, destruction of the dune and the associated vegetation, decrease in biodiversity and fertility by reduction of the low water mark; and
- ✓ Can tend to fragment the oil in certain conditions.

Performance

This is a highly selective technique, but requires a lot of time and personnel. If not done correctly, there is a risk of removal of large quantities of clean sediment.

1.1.3 Mechanical clean-up guidelines

This technique consists of collecting the oil in order to facilitate its removal from the beach. Collection is carried out using a tractor, ATV or earthmoving vehicle or earthmoving equipment.

Conditions of use

- ✓ Pollution : heavy pollution, continuous slick;
- ✓ Pollutant : slightly to very viscous oil;
- ✓ Substrate : vast, flat foreshore with wet fine-grain sand (very damp to saturated) and a good load-bearing capacity, without ripple marks; and
- ✓ Site: accessible and sufficient load bearing capacity for earthmoving equipment, sufficiently large to allow vehicles to manoeuvre.

Equipment

Basic equipment:

- ✓ Backhoe loader;
- ✓ Grader/bulldozer;
- ✓ Tractor or loader with front blade; and
- ✓ Front-end loader or lorry (for removal).

PPE: At least suitable for heavy machinery operation

Impact

- ✓ Normally only removes the oil, but some sediment may also be taken with it (if the operator is poorly supervised or inexperienced), especially if used on light pollution or an unsuitable site;
- ✓ High risk of disturbance due to traffic and mixing of oil with sediment; and
- ✓ May lead to reduction of beach stability and beach erosion/loss of beach area.

Minimum workforce required: 2 people per vehicle (1 drive + 1 assistant)

Waste: oil mixed with a varying quantity of sediment; but can rapidly become unselective if scraping is carried out on moderate pollution (should be avoided)

- ✓ Consists of bringing the oil together in order to facilitate its removal from the beach. Scraping is carried out using a tractor or earthmoving equipment fitted with a front end blade in an oblique position. According to the viscosity of the oil, two options are available:
 - (case 1) fluid oil: radial or converging scraping towards a collection point on the foreshore; removal by pumping
 - (case 2) more viscous oil /solids: concentration to form windrows, by successive slightly curving passes parallel to the water line; subsequent removal of windrows
- ✓ Should only be carried out on heavy pollution; do not use on moderate to light pollution
- ✓ Inform and supervise operators; use experienced operators
- ✓ Work methodically
- ✓ Set up traffic lanes on the beach in order to reduce oil and sediment mixing

- ✓ Don't remove excessive amounts of non-contaminated materials
- ✓ Don't fill the bucket of loader more than 2/3 capacity
- ✓ Don't drive on polluted materials

1.1.4 Shoreline vessel access guidelines

There are numerous landing craft vessels available in the North West Shelf area. These vessels are capable of grounding out; therefore the vessels can access a contacted area on high tide, ground out, unload equipment and personnel, reload with waste oil then depart on the next high tide. Landing craft vessels are supplied through Santos existing vessel suppliers.

Mechanical equipment and PPE are to be mobilised to the nominated marine operational base for onward movement to the affected locations.

For shoreline clean-up of remote islands the following guidelines will be considered so as to minimise the secondary impacts of high numbers of spill response personnel on shorelines:

Vessels are to be mobilised to the designated deployment Port to mobilise shoreline clean-up teams by water. The shoreline clean-up will be undertaken through on-water deployment to the defined shorelines in 4 stages:

- (1) Drop off of 6-person clean-up containers (refer below) to shoreline contact locations defined by IMT through observation data;
- (2) Deployment of marine and environmental specialists to demarcate the clean-up zones with barrier posts and tape to prevent secondary impacts to flora and fauna by the clean-up teams;
- (3) Deployment of small clean-up teams with a trained/competent shoreline responder as a Team Leader to conduct clean-up methods (flushing, bag and retrieve, etc.) with all waste being bagged and stored in temporary bunding made of HDPE above the high-high tide mark; and
- (4) Deployment of the waste pickup barges to retrieve collected wastes from the temporary bunding and to complete the shoreline clean-up and final polishing.

Appendix L Oiled Wildlife Response Personnel and Equipment

In the event of a spill impacting wildlife, Santos will commence arrangements to mobilise personnel and equipment to fill responder positions as identified in the Santos Oiled Wildlife Response Framework Plan (7700-650-PLA-0017) and WAOWRP.

This appendix outlines the current OWR equipment, personnel and services available to Santos through current arrangements.

Overall OWR capability per OWR strategy

The overall OWR capability of Santos is outlined in **Table M-1**. Santos has access to aircraft that could be used for wildlife reconnaissance within hours of a spill. This would be followed by further access to vessels and Santos personnel trained in OWR that could be mobilised within 24 hours for vessel and wildlife shoreline reconnaissance, demonstrating Santos' ability to mount a swift response that could also be sustained as long as required.

Santos has the capability to set up oiled wildlife field stations within 3-4 days of a spill through access to AMOSC equipment and equipment purchased at the time of a spill. Santos could also arrange the transport of wildlife from the field to a primary care facility.

The indicative personnel required for a medium impact-rated response is 55 personnel (as per the WAOWRP) (DBCA, 2022a), however depending on the number and species impacted, may require many more. Santos' current arrangements could support a large scale OWR (requiring >55 personnel) mainly through support staff, such as, non-technical wildlife support roles (management, logistics, planning, human resourcing, transporter, cleaners, trades persons, security etc). These roles could be filled by Santos personnel and labour hire agencies that can provide workers that undergo an induction and basic training. In addition, many of the roles required for an OWR require technical expertise and Santos will need to activate OWR arrangements with AMOSC and OSRL to fulfil roles, as well as make contractor arrangements for accessing skilled wildlife personnel at the time of a spill.

Table M-1: Santos OWR capability per OWR strategy

OWR Strategy	Considerations	Equipment/Personnel	Location	Mobilisation Timeframe
Reconnaissance	Identify opportunities to create synergies with surveys required for Monitor and Evaluate and Scientific Monitoring activities	Rotary Wing Aircraft & flight Crew	Karratha Learmonth Onslow	Wheels up within 1 hour for Emergency Response.
		Drones and pilots	Local WA hire companies	1-2 days
		Contracted vessels and vessels of opportunity Santos Contracted Vessel Providers Vessels of opportunity identified through AIS Vessel Tracking.	Vessels mobilised from Darwin. Locations verified through AIS Vessel Tracking Software.	Pending availability and location. Expected within 12 hours.
		Aerial surveillance crew Santos staff AMOSC staff AMOSC Core Group personnel available Additional trained industry mutual aid personnel available	Perth and Varanus Island (VI) (Santos aerial observers) Australia wide	Santos trained personnel - next day mobilisation to airbase <24 hours
Preventative actions	Mainly effective for bird species Requires NT licence approval	2 x AMOSC Wildlife fauna hazing and exclusion kits 3 x AMOSC Wildlife fauna hazing and capture kits 1x AMOSC Breco buoy	1 x Fremantle, 1 x Geelong 3 x Fremantle 1 x Fremantle	48 hours
Rescue and field processing	Wildlife handling and first aid should only be done by persons with appropriate skills and experience or under the direction of the controlling agency	4 x AMOSC Oiled Fauna Kits (basic medical supplies, cleaning/rehab, PPE)	1 x Fremantle, 1 x Exmouth, 1 x Broome, 1 x Geelong	
		50 % of OSRL OWR response packages (Wildlife Search and	5 x Singapore, 2 x Bahrain, 7 x UK, 5 x Fort Lauderdale	Location dependent

OWR Strategy	Considerations	Equipment/Personnel	Location	Mobilisation Timeframe
		Rescue kits / Cleaning and Rehab. kits (including field first aid)		
Transport	Transport of oiled animals by aeroplane or helicopter may be restricted due to Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) regulations; such transport will depend on the level of oiling remaining on animals. Therefore, consultation with the air transport provider must take place before transport to ensure the safest and most efficient means	Contracted vessels and vessels of opportunity Santos Contracted Vessel Providers Vessels of opportunity identified through AIS Vessel Tracking.	Vessels mobilised from Darwin. Locations verified through AIS Vessel Tracking Software.	Pending availability and location. Expected within 12 hours.
Primary care facility	OWR container could be placed on the deck of a suitably sized vessel for field processing in remote locations (benefits associated with temperature regulation and access to water and electricity) An OWR container on a vessel could also be used to aide transport form offshore islands	OWR container/mobile washing facility 2 x AMOSC 4 x AMSA	AMOSC – 1 x Fremantle, 1 x Geelong AMSA 1 x Dampier, 1 x Darwin, 1 x Devonport, 1 x Townsville	Location dependent
		AMOSC call off contract with DWYERTech NZ – a facilities management group	New Zealand	Availability within 24 hrs of call-off
Personnel	Untrained personnel would receive an induction, on-the-job training and work under the supervision of an experienced supervisor	Santos provides OWR training to staff, and to-date, approximately 20 personnel have received OWR training.	Perth and Varanus Island	< 48 hours
		Santos maintains labour hire arrangements for access to untrained personnel		

OWR Strategy	Considerations	Equipment/Personnel	Location	Mobilisation Timeframe
		1x AMOSC Oiled Wildlife Advisor	Victoria, Australia	< 48 hours
		60 x AMOSC OWR Strike Team Members		< 48 hours
		AMOSC MOU with Phillip Island National Park (PINP) (best-endeavours availability)	Victoria, Australia	Best-endeavour availability
	Sea Alarm staff act in a technical advisory role and do not engage in hands-on OWR activities but work impartially with all parties (titleholder, local authorities, mobilised experts and local experts, and response groups), aiming to maximise the effectiveness of the wildlife response.	Via OSRL Access to 24/7 technical advice (remote or on-site) from the Sea Alarm Foundation Access to OWR assessment service from the Global Oiled Wildlife Response Service (GOWRS) consisting of a ready-to-deploy team of 4 specialists in Operations/Planning, Field & Capture, Rehab & Facilities, Vet/Incident-specifics.	Belgium Various locations in northern and southern hemisphere	Sea Alarm: Upon notification able to provide remote advice and option to mobilise a Sea Alarm Technical Advisor on-site during an incident GOWRS: Mobilised on a best endeavours basis

Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA)

AMSA maintains four oiled wildlife response containers/ mobile washing facilities in Dampier, Darwin, Devonport and Townsville. All resources under the National Plan (including the four OWR containers) are available to Santos through formal request to AMSA under the arrangements of the National Plan. The containers also include some limited PPE and fresh and wastewater pools.

Western Australia Department of Transport (WA DoT)

The WA DoT maintains one OWR container/ mobile washing facility which is available through the State Hazard Plan for Maritime Environmental Emergencies and the National Plan on request.

Australian Marine Oil Spill Centre (AMOSC)

Santos is a participating company of AMOSC and as such has access to AMOSC's Level 2/3 oiled wildlife equipment and personnel as outlined in the AMOSPlan.

Equipment

Table M-2 provides a summary of the oiled wildlife response equipment maintained by AMOSC.

Table M-2: AMOSC Wildlife Equipment

Location	Oiled fauna kits (basic medical supplies, cleaning/rehab, PPE)	Fauna hazing and exclusion equipment	Oiled wildlife washdown container (mobile washing facility)
Fremantle	-	1 x fauna hazing & exclusion kit 3 x fauna hazing & capture kit 1 x Breco bird hazing buoy	1 x Oiled Wildlife Response Container
Exmouth	1 x Oiled fauna kit	-	-
Broome	1 x Oiled fauna kit	-	-
Geelong	2 x Oiled fauna kit	1 x fauna hazing & exclusion kit	1 x Oiled Wildlife Response Container
Total	4 x Oiled fauna kit	2 x fauna hazing & exclusion kits 3 x fauna hazing & capture kits 1 x Breco bird hazing buoy	2 x Oiled Wildlife response Containers

Personnel

AMOSC currently has the following arrangements in place for OWR personnel:

- + 1 x AMOSC OWR Officer available to act as an Industry Oiled Wildlife Advisor (OWA)
- + AMOSC call off contract with DWYERtech Response NZ
 - o A facilities management group with availability within 24 hours of call off
- + 60 x AMOSC OWR Strike Team members
 - o Volunteer OWR trained industry personnel
- + MOU with Phillip Island National Park (PINP), Victoria (best-endeavours availability)

- + Approx. 39 PINP staff – collection/facility ops/rehabilitation
 - o Approx. 45 volunteers – collection/facility ops/rehabilitation
 - o Approx. 20 staff – animal feeding
 - o 6 x PINP staff - wildlife emergency response including cetacean stranding/entanglement
 - o 13 x PINP staff - wildlife team leaders

Oil Spill Response Limited (OSRL)

Through the associate membership, Santos has access to the following OWR equipment and personnel services from OSRL.

Equipment

OSRL maintains a Level 3 wildlife equipment stockpile. This equipment is stored across the OSRL base locations and is designed to support the first 48 hours of the response and to ensure availability of critical equipment items that may be difficult to source locally (Note, this equipment does not provide everything that will be required to successfully operate a primary care facility and is focussed primarily on bird casualties (n=100)). Equipment is sorted according to search and rescue (including field first aid), medical, and cleaning and rehabilitation (**Table M- 3**).

Table M- 3: OSRL Wildlife Equipment (as per OSRL Equipment Stockpile Status Report, June 2023)

OWR Response Package	UK	Singapore	Bahrain	Fort Lauderdale
Wildlife Search and Rescue	1	1	1	1
Wildlife Search and Rescue Medical	1	1	-	-
Cleaning and Rehabilitation	-	-	1	-
Wildlife Cleaning and Rehabilitation Part 1	2	1	-	-
Wildlife Cleaning and Rehabilitation Part 2	2	1	-	2
Wildlife Cleaning and Rehab. Medical	1	1	-	1

Personnel

Through the OSRL Oiled Wildlife SLA, Santos has access to 24/7 technical advice (remote or on-site) from the Sea Alarm Foundation, a small non-governmental organisation based in Brussels, Belgium that works to improve global preparedness and response for oiled wildlife incidents. Santos have the option to mobilise a Sea Alarm Technical Advisor during an incident. Sea Alarm staff will act in a technical advisory role at the incident management level and will work impartially with all parties (titleholder, local authorities, mobilised experts and local experts, and response groups), with the aim of maximising the effectiveness of the wildlife response.

In 2023, the Global Oiled Wildlife Response Service (GOWRS) will become part of OSRL’s SLA. GOWRS is a ready-to-deploy Assessment Team of 4 x wildlife response experts, drawn from ten leading international wildlife response organisations. The Assessment Team will be available 24-7-365 to deploy for a four-day in-country incident assessment. Before formal integration into the SLA, this service is available from OSRL on a best endeavours basis.

In addition, through the SLA, Santos has the option to access OSRL’s internal staff with OWR expertise (1 x UK) as part of the 18 personnel commitment for any single incident.

Appendix M Scientific Monitoring Plans

2 Scientific Monitoring Plans by Receptor

The following components of the SMP are outlined in this section:

- + SMP1: Water Quality
- + SMP2: Sediment Quality
- + SMP3: Sandy Beaches and Rocky Shores
- + SMP4: Mangroves
- + SMP5: Intertidal Mudflats
- + SMP6: Benthic Habitats
- + SMP7: Seabirds and Shorebirds
- + SMP8: Marine Mammals
- + SMP9: Marine Reptiles
- + SMP10: Seafood Quality
- + SMP11: Fish, Fisheries and Aquaculture
- + SMP12: Whale Sharks.

Given the low likelihood and unpredictable nature of a Level 3 incident, it is very unlikely that one pre-established monitoring design will be appropriate for all scenarios. Instead, monitoring will require an adaptive approach which may employ previous baseline monitoring, new post-spill data, spatial control sites, or post-spill pre-impact data that follows a consistent decision framework (Department of Environment and Conservation 2009). The scientific monitoring implemented will be in accordance with the scale, location, and duration of the oil spill. Only the relevant plans as determined by the initiation criteria will be implemented.

Table 1 provides a glossary of an SMP as prepared in this report.

Table 1: Glossary of Scientific Monitoring Plans.

SMP Receptor	
Rationale	Importance of receptor, possible impact and importance of monitoring program.
Aim	Description of program aim(s)
Baseline	Refer to Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022).
Contact	Contact is defined as occurring where any aerial, visual or fluorescence observation reports submitted to the Incident Command Team (ICT) show presence or likely presence of oil; or spill fate modelling predicts oil at sensitive receptors of > 1g/m ² for surface oil, and >10 ppb for entrained and dissolved oil. This then activates the relevant SMP, which determines if any impact has occurred based upon applicable thresholds.
Initiation criteria	Initiation criteria, based on data from OMPs.

Termination criteria	Termination criteria based on analysis of Scientific Monitoring data translated to the Incident Management Team (IMT) through the planning function.
Receptor impact	Measured states and pressures according to the State-Pressure-Response model.
Methodological approach	Descriptions of sampling methods in order to carry out scientific monitoring, including reference to methods described in an appendix.
Scope of works	Timeline for scope of works (SoW) development.
Statistically significant	The basis of the significance is determined by the methodological approach as outlined in the relevant SMP.
Resources	List of required resources which may not necessarily be listed within a description of a particular method.
Implementation	Mobilisation requirements for service provider(s).
Analysis and reporting	Summary of analysis, data management and reporting.

SMP1 Marine Water Quality

SMP1 – Marine Water Quality	
Rationale	<p>The release of hydrocarbons at sea will pollute marine waters via floating, entrained or dissolved aromatic hydrocarbons.</p> <p>The water quality SMP may also be used in conjunction with OMP1 (Surveillance and Monitoring), to inform the sampling design of other SMPs where objectives are to evaluate impact to and recovery of sensitive receptors, in relation to hydrocarbon contamination.</p>
Aim	To monitor changes in water quality following an oil spill and associated response activities for the purpose of detecting a potential impact and recovery and for informing other scientific monitoring studies.
Baseline	<p>Refer to the Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022).</p> <p>In addition, relevant available metadata will be reviewed for applicable marine water quality baseline data.</p> <p>In the absence of baseline data for hydrocarbons, data from appropriate reference sites will be used in place of the baseline values.</p>
Initiation criteria	Upon notification of a Level 2 or 3 incident (a level 2 or 3 incident includes those which may have an adverse effect on the environment. This may be informed by operational water quality monitoring)
Termination criteria	Concentrations of hydrocarbon contaminants, attributable to the released hydrocarbon, are not significantly higher than baseline data or similar non-impacted sites data.

SMP1 – Marine Water Quality	
	<p>In the absence of baseline or similar non-impact sites data, concentrations of hydrocarbon contaminants, attributable to the released hydrocarbon, are below the relevant hydrocarbon contaminant trigger level within the Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for Fresh and Marine Water Quality (Australian and New Zealand Governments 2018), or the relevant regulatory site-specific trigger level (where these exist), if this is lower and values are not significantly different to reference sites.</p> <p>Forensic fingerprinting of the released hydrocarbon and water quality sample analysis by way of gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS) may be used to determine the source of contaminants where this is not otherwise clear from operational monitoring.</p>
Receptor impact	Impacts to specific receptors from hydrocarbons within marine waters are described in individual SMPs.
Methodological approach	<p>Overall sampling design approach will be enacted according to the availability of baseline data guided by the structured decision-making process based on Gregory et al. (2012):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If sites are contacted in which long-term baseline data is available, a control chart (time-series) design will be applied; 2. If insufficient long-term baseline data is available, where appropriately matched baseline data sites are impacted and non-impacted, a before-after-control-impact (BACI) approach to monitoring will be applied; 3. Where no baseline data sites are involved, a gradient approach to quantifying impacts will be applied. <p>See Appendix A and Figure 1 for detailed description of these approaches.</p> <p>The selection of potentially impacted and non-impacted sites will be informed by Operational Monitoring, including operational water quality monitoring and spill trajectory modelling.</p> <p>Sampling frequency will be dictated by the spatial extent of the spill, the number and location of sampling sites and the philosophy of the sampling design.</p> <p><u>Water profiles</u></p> <p>SMP1 – Marine Water Quality</p> <p>A water quality probe will be used to measure conductivity (to derive salinity in PSU), temperature and depth (CTD), dissolved oxygen (% and mg/L), turbidity (FNU or NTU), and fluorometry along a depth profile. Sampling methods will be aligned with the recommended standard operating procedures for the use of sensors for oil spill monitoring found in Appendix F of the Oil Spill Monitoring Handbook (Hook et al. 2016).</p> <p><u>Water quality</u></p> <p>Water quality samples will be taken along a similar depth profile as the CTD measures using a Niskin bottle, Van Dorn water sampler, rosette sampler or equivalent instrument.</p>

SMP1 – Marine Water Quality	
	<p>The laboratory(ies) will inform and supply the appropriate sample containers, storage requirements, holding times, detection limits/limit of reporting for required analytes and the analysis required for each sample.</p> <p>Water samples shall be analysed for key contaminants of concern including polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (including benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylene), and nutrients, metals and chlorophyll-a.</p> <p>At each site, replicate water samples (at least three samples) will be collected to allow appropriate statistical analyses to be made including samples for quality assurance and quality control (QA/QC) purposes (i.e. split sample, triplicate sample, field blanks, transport blanks).</p> <p>Water sample collection and handling will align with standard operating procedures found in the Oil Spill Monitoring Handbook (Hook et al., 2016), specifically the following Appendices:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Appendix A & B - Hydrocarbon Analysis; + Appendix C -Volatile Organic Compounds Analysis; and + Appendix D - Surface Oil Analysis. <p>Environmental DNA (eDNA) will also be collected to detect for the presence of marine species in the water column. Water samples will be collected in Nalgene bottles and sent to an appropriate laboratory for analysis. Sample processing will depend on holding times required (<8 hours ideal) and may involve filtering and freezing of each sample (Grochowski and Stat 2017).</p>
Scope of work	Prepared by monitoring provider for issue within 24 hours of SMP having been activated.
Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Marine scientist with experience in water quality sampling + Geographic Information Systems (GIS) personnel + National Association of Testing Authorities (NATA) accredited laboratories for water sample analysis + Vessel and tender in operation + Refuelling facilities + Sample containers and preservative + Sampling equipment + Decontamination/washing facilities + Safety aircraft/rescue vessels on standby
Implementation	Service provider able to mobilise within 72 hours of the SoW following approval by Santos (this time allows for costing, preparation of equipment and disposables and travel time to site).
Analysis and reporting	<p>Chemical analysis will be carried out by NATA-accredited laboratories.</p> <p>A government endorsed laboratory for forensic fingerprinting (GS/MS) will be used.</p>

SMP1 – Marine Water Quality	
	<p>Data will be entered to spatially explicit database.</p> <p>Data will be analysed appropriately in order to determine if there was a statistical difference in water quality before and after a hydrocarbon impact. Data and conclusions will be summarised in an environmental report card.</p> <p>Final draft report to be prepared within one month of monitoring completion; external peer review of final draft within two weeks of report provision to reviewer; finalise report within two weeks of peer review having been completed.</p>

SMP2 Sediment Quality

SMP2 – Sediment Quality	
Rationale	<p>Hydrocarbons released during a spill scenario may contact, settle and/or accumulate in marine sediments. Toxic substances found in accumulated hydrocarbons may lead to impacts to ecosystem processes associated with this primary producer habitat. Sediments and marine infauna will be sampled concurrently in order to establish potential correlations amongst the two parameters.</p>
Aim	<p>To monitor the fate and persistence of hydrocarbons in marine sediments following an oil spill and associated response activities.</p> <p>To monitor marine benthic infauna assemblages as an indicator of sediment quality, in relation to an oil spill and associated response activities.</p>
Baseline	<p>Refer to the Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022).</p> <p>In addition, relevant available databases will be reviewed for applicable marine baseline sediment quality and infauna data.</p> <p>In the absence of baseline sediment quality data, hydrocarbon contaminant trigger values for marine sediments as listed in the Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for Fresh and Marine Water Quality (Australian and New Zealand Governments 2018) will be used as a proxy for baseline levels.</p> <p>Where other regulatory site-specific trigger levels exist, the lower of these levels and the Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for Fresh and Marine Water Quality (Australian and New Zealand Governments 2018) levels will be used as proxy baseline levels.</p>
Initiation criteria	<p>Operational Monitoring or SMP1 indicates that contacted sediment or sediment predicted to be contacted by a hydrocarbon spill as defined in Table 1.</p>
Termination criteria	<p>Concentrations of hydrocarbons in marine benthic and shoreline sediments, attributable to the released hydrocarbon, are not significantly higher than baseline or similar non-impact sites.</p> <p>In the absence of baseline or similar non-impact sites data, concentrations are below marine sediment quality interim guideline levels within the ANZG (2018), or the relevant regulatory site-specific trigger level (where these exist), if this is lower.</p> <p>For infauna assemblages, abundance and species diversity/richness/composition are not significantly different from baseline (where baseline data exists) or are not</p>

SMP2 – Sediment Quality	
	<p>statistically significantly different from comparable non-impacted benthic infauna assemblages.</p> <p>Forensic fingerprinting of the released hydrocarbon and sediment quality samples by way of GC/MS may be used to determine the source of contaminants where this is not otherwise clear from operational monitoring.</p>
Receptor impact	<p>Impact to sediment quality is measured through change in hydrocarbon content and concentration. Change to sediment quality is also reflected by changes to infaunal assemblages. Potential impact to infaunal assemblages is measured through change(s) in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Taxonomic diversity + Assemblage composition + Abundance of indicator species <p>Other pressures to these states are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Discharge of other toxicants + Physical disturbance including dredging + Sedimentation + Introduction of marine pests + Shading from marine infrastructure + Climate change
Methodological approach	<p>Overall sampling design approach will be enacted according to the availability of baseline data guided by the structured decision-making process based on Gregory et al. (2012):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If sites are contacted in which long-term baseline data is available, a control chart (time-series) design will be applied; 2. If insufficient long-term baseline data is available, where appropriately matched baseline data sites are impacted and non-impacted, a before-after-control-impact (BACI) approach to monitoring will be applied; 3. Where no baseline data sites are involved, a gradient approach to quantifying impacts will be applied. <p>See Appendix A and Figure 1 for detailed description of these approaches. The selection of potentially impacted and non-impacted sites will be informed by Operational Monitoring, including operational water quality monitoring and spill trajectory modelling.</p> <p>Sampling frequency will be dictated by the spatial extent of the spill, the number and location of sampling sites and the philosophy of the sampling design</p> <p><u>Sediment quality</u></p> <p>Operational Monitoring (including spill trajectory modelling) and the results of SMP1 Marine Water Quality monitoring will be used to inform the location of potentially impacted sediment sites.</p>

SMP2 – Sediment Quality	
	<p>Sediment monitoring sites in nearshore and shoreline locations will also consider and align where practicable, with sites selected for habitat monitoring (i.e. SMP3, 4, 5 and 6).</p> <p>Sampling frequency will be dictated by the spatial extent of the spill, the number and location of sampling sites and the philosophy of the sampling design.</p> <p>At each site, replicate sediment samples will be taken including those for QA/QC purposes.</p> <p>Sediment grab (i.e. Van Veen or Box corer) or coring equipment will be selected based on water depth (offshore, inshore or shoreline) and sample size requirements.</p> <p>Sediment sample collection and handling will align with Standard operating procedures found in the Oil Spill Monitoring Handbook (Hook et al. 2016), specifically the following sections according to sampling equipment utilised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Appendix G hydrocarbon analysis (Grab samplers) + Appendix H hydrocarbon analysis (Ship borne corer) + Appendix H Manual push corer, and + Appendix O Sediment infauna. <p>The laboratory(ies) will inform and supply the appropriate sample containers, storage requirements, holding times, detection limits/limit of reporting for required analytes and the analysis required for each sediment sample.</p> <p>Sediment samples shall be analysed for key contaminants of concern including metals, hydrocarbons, nutrients, particle size distribution, and nutrients.</p> <p><u>Infauna samples</u></p> <p>A subset of the sediment sample shall be sieved in the field (if time permits) with collected infauna preserved (10% buffered formalin or 70% ethanol as prescribed by the receiving laboratory) and sent to laboratory for identification of infauna to lowest taxonomic resolution possible.</p> <p>eDNA will also be collected to detect for the presence of marine infauna species in sediments. Sediment will be removed from the surface of a subset of the sediment sample and sent to an appropriate laboratory for analysis.</p>
Scope of work	Prepared by monitoring provider for issue within 24 hours of SMP having been activated.
Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Marine scientist with field experience in deep sea sediment sampling + Scientist with skills in infauna identification + GIS personnel + NATA accredited laboratory for sample contaminant analysis + Laboratory for infauna sorting and taxonomic identification + Vessel with appropriate davit/winch to deploy grab/corer equipment and tender in operation + Refuelling facilities

SMP2 – Sediment Quality	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Decontamination/washing facilities + Safety aircraft/rescue vessels on standby
Implementation	<p>Service provider to be capable of mobilising within 72 hours of the SoW having been approved by Santos.</p> <p>Actual mobilisation time will depend on the decision to adopt post-spill pre-impact monitoring and associated timing requirements.</p>
Analysis and reporting	<p>Sediment samples analysed by NATA-accredited laboratories for presence and concentrations of hydrocarbons associated with the spill including full suite PAHs and total organic carbon.</p> <p>A government endorsed laboratory for forensic fingerprinting (GC/MS) will be used.</p> <p>Infauna samples sorted and identified by qualified marine invertebrate specialist to acceptable taxonomic groups.</p> <p>Data will be entered to spatially explicit database and analysed statistically in order to detect significant differences among sites.</p> <p>Data and conclusions will be summarised in an environmental report card. Final draft report to be prepared within one month of monitoring completion; external peer review of final draft within two weeks of report provision to reviewer; finalise report within two weeks of peer review having been completed.</p>

SMP3 Sandy Beaches and Rocky Shores

SMP3 – Sandy Beaches and Rocky Shores	
Rationale	<p>Contact of entrained oil and stranded floating oil of shoreline habitats may occur on sandy beaches and rocky shores. Rocky and sandy shores provide habitat for a variety of intertidal organisms, which in turn provide food for shorebirds. Large tides tend to create a large degree of horizontal zonation amongst taxa. Rocky and sandy shores are included within the one receptor as they are often spatially mixed and both represent high energy regions.</p>
Aim	<p>To monitor changes in biota of sandy and rocky shoreline habitats in relation to an oil spill and associated activities.</p>
Baseline	<p>Refer to the Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022).</p> <p>In addition, relevant available databases shall be reviewed for applicable rocky shoreline and sandy beach biota baseline data.</p>
Initiation criteria	<p>Operational monitoring, SMP1 or SMP2 indicates that rocky and/or sandy shorelines are contacted or predicted to be contacted by a hydrocarbon spill as defined in Table 1.</p>
Termination criteria	<p>Shoreline assemblage structure, and hydrocarbon concentration levels in representative invertebrate species, are not significantly different from their baseline state (where baseline data exists) or are not statistically significantly different from comparable non-impacted assemblages; AND</p>

SMP3 – Sandy Beaches and Rocky Shores	
	<p>SMP2 Sediment Quality monitoring at the site has been terminated; AND Shoreline clean-up at the site has been completed.</p>
Receptor impact	<p>Impact to shoreline invertebrates from pressures including hydrocarbons is measured through change in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Species diversity + Assemblage composition + Abundance of indicator taxa. <p>Other pressures to these states are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Physical disturbance + Discharge of toxicants + Litter/waste + Introduction of marine pests + Over-collection + Nutrification + Climate change.
Methodological approach	<p>Monitoring will be designed as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Where long-term baseline data sites are contacted, a control chart (time-series) design will be applied. 5. Where appropriately matched baseline data sites are impacted and non-impacted, a BACI approach to monitoring will be applied. 6. Where no baseline data sites are involved, a post-spill pre-impact (preferable) or gradient approach to quantifying impacts will be applied. <p>Owing to potentially high spatial variation in assemblage structure, post-spill pre-impact monitoring will be a priority where no baseline data exists. If this opportunity is not available, a gradient approach to monitoring will be applied.</p> <p>Sampling frequency will be dictated by the number and location of sampling sites and the philosophy of the sampling design.</p> <p>Rocky shoreline intertidal assemblages (fauna and flora) will be monitored using a quadrat/transect approach, with the positioning of quadrats/transects accounting for any natural variation in assemblage structure along a seaward-landward gradient. Assemblage structure to be recorded through in-situ counts of fauna and flora or still images taken for further analysis.</p> <p>Sandy shoreline infauna will be sampled by way of replicated grab/core samples. Sampling sites within impacted and non-impacted areas to consider any cross-shore gradient in assemblage structure that may exist. Where baseline data exists, the methodology will be adapted to available data so that results are comparable.</p> <p>Samples to be sieved with collected infauna preserved (10% buffered formalin or 70% ethanol as prescribed by the receiving laboratory) and sent to laboratory for identification of fauna to lowest taxonomic resolution possible. Process to follow that for baseline data where this pre-exists.</p>

SMP3 – Sandy Beaches and Rocky Shores	
	<p>Biomonitoring of hydrocarbon concentrations in shoreline invertebrates will occur through collection of replicated tissue samples from representative, and preferably widely available species, across impact and non-impacted locations.</p> <p>The laboratory(ies) will supply and inform the appropriate method for collection, storage and holding times of tissue samples for required laboratory analysis and to avoid cross-contamination among samples.</p> <p>Where limitations in the distribution and abundance of representative invertebrate species preclude collection of sufficient samples for analysis, in-situ biomonitoring using a locally available species (e.g. the use of caged oysters) shall be considered for assessing spatial and temporal changes in bioaccumulation of hydrocarbon concentrations in invertebrates across impact and reference sites.</p>
Scope of work	Prepared by monitoring provider for issue within 24 hours of SMP being activated.
Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Senior Scientist with experience in shoreline macroinvertebrates sampling + Supporting Scientist + GIS personnel + Helicopter or available vessel and tender in operation + Refuelling facilities + Sample containers and preservative + Decontamination/washing facilities + Safety aircraft/rescue vessels on standby + Laboratory facilities for sorting and taxonomic identification of specimens
Implementation	<p>With the aim of collecting post-spill pre-impact data, service provider able to mobilise within 72 hours of the SoW having been provided to them (this time allowing for costing, preparation of equipment and disposables and travel to site).</p> <p>Actual mobilisation time will depend on the decision to adopt post-spill pre-impact monitoring and associated timing requirements.</p>
Analysis and reporting	<p>Specimens not identified in situ (in the field) will be processed and identified in the laboratory by appropriately qualified scientists.</p> <p>Biota tissue samples (if collected) analysed for hydrocarbon contaminants by NATA-accredited laboratories.</p> <p>Data will be entered to spatially explicit database and analysed in order to test for significant difference between impacted and non-impacted assemblages. Data and conclusions will be summarised in an environmental report card.</p> <p>Final draft report to be prepared within one month of monitoring completion; external peer review of final draft within two weeks of report provision to reviewer; finalise report within two weeks of peer review having been completed.</p>

SMP4 Mangrove Communities

SMP4 – Shorelines and Coastal Habitats - Mangrove Communities	
Rationale	In the event of Tier 2 or 3 spill, mangroves may be contacted by floating or entrained oil. Mangrove health may be adversely affected due to increased concentration of hydrocarbons in sediments and coating due to surface oil, which in turn can lead to leaf-loss, mortality and a reduction in areal extent of mangrove habitat. This plan's focus is mangrove vegetation. Associated monitoring of sediment quality and mudflat fauna is described in SMP2 and SMP5, respectively.
Aim	To monitor changes to mangrove extent and health in relation to an oil spill and associated activities.
Baseline	Refer to the Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022). Baseline extent and of mangroves is monitored by remote sensing in several regions, and further historical and post-impact data for mangrove health and extent can be obtained as remotely sensed imagery (e.g., Sentinel, Landsat and WorldView).
Initiation criteria	Operational Monitoring, SMP1 or SMP2 indicates that mangroves are contacted or predicted to be contacted by a hydrocarbon spill as defined in Table 1 .
Termination criteria	Mangrove extent and health are not significantly different from their baseline state (where baseline data exists) or are not statistically significantly different from comparable non-impacted mangroves; AND Sediment quality monitoring (SMP2) at the site has been terminated; AND Shoreline response at the site has been completed.
Receptor impact	Impact to mangroves from pressures including hydrocarbons is measured through change in: + Tree health + Aerial extent. Other pressures to these states are: + Physical disturbance + Discharge of toxicants + Litter + Introduction of marine pests + Dust + Sedimentation from human activities + Climate change.
Methodological approach	Remote sensing data will be accessed for the purpose of detecting change in aerial cover and change in canopy health through and index of plant health (e.g., NDVI or MSAVI) (Astron Environmental Services 2013).

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	<p>Where long term on-ground baseline monitoring has occurred, further post impact on-ground monitoring should be carried out to complement any analysis of remote sensing. Analysis of long-term on-ground monitoring data will be as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Where long-term baseline data sites (only) are contacted a control chart (time-series) design will be applied. 1. Where appropriately matched baseline data sites are impacted and non-impacted, a BACI approach to monitoring will be applied. 2. Where no baseline data sites are involved a gradient approach to quantifying impacts will be applied (See Appendix A for detailed description of these approaches and Figure 1, detailed in Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022 <p>On-ground monitoring of mangroves will aim to detect change in mangrove health, including canopy cover and plant/leaf health indices.</p> <p>Field methodology will follow the routine monitoring techniques currently employed for Santos operations (Quadrant Energy Australia Limited 2018), adapting where required to align with pre-existing baseline field data, where available.</p> <p>Sampling of sediments as per SMP2 will occur at mangrove health assessment sites to allow any changes in mangrove health to be related to sediment hydrocarbon levels.</p> <p>In-field mangrove health sampling frequency will be dictated by the number and location of sampling sites and the sampling design applied.</p>
Scope of work	Prepared by monitoring provider for issue within 24 hours of SMP being activated.
Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Senior Scientist with experience in mangrove condition assessment + Supporting Scientist + GIS and remote-sensing personnel + Available vessel in operation + Satellite and/or aerial imagery
Implementation	On-ground monitoring will only occur where long-term baseline data has been collected, and hence no post-spill pre-impact data collection will be required. On-ground post-spill data will be collected at an appropriate time as guided by the analysis of remote sensing imagery, and potential on-ground assessment.
Analysis and reporting	<p>Data will be entered to spatially explicit database and analysed in order to test statistically significant change to parameters associated with hydrocarbon spill. Data and conclusions will be summarised in an environmental report card.</p> <p>Final draft report to be prepared within one month of monitoring completion; external peer review of final draft within two weeks of report provision to reviewer; finalise report within two weeks of peer review having been completed.</p>

SMP5 Intertidal Mudflats

SMP5 – Shorelines and Coastal Habitats - Intertidal Mudflats	
Rationale	Intertidal mudflat communities are primary producer habitats which support invertebrate fauna, which in turn provides a valuable food source for shorebirds. High diversity of infauna (particularly molluscs) occurs within these habitats and may be affected by penetrating oil. At high tide, these habitats become foraging grounds for vertebrates such as rays and sharks. These habitats are at high risk of impact as the sheltered environments promote high faunal diversity combined with low-energy wave action.
Aim	To monitor changes in intertidal mudflat communities associated with an oil spill and associated activities.
Baseline	Refer to the Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022). In addition, relevant available baseline databases shall be reviewed for applicable intertidal mudflat infauna baseline data.
Initiation criteria	Operational Monitoring, SMP1 or SMP2 indicates that mudflat habitats are contacted or predicted to be contacted by a hydrocarbon spill as defined in Table 1 .
Termination criteria	Mudflat infaunal assemblages are not significantly different from their baseline state (where baseline data exists) or are not statistically significantly different from comparable non-impacted assemblages; AND SMP2 Sediment Quality monitoring at the site has been terminated; AND Clean-up of the shoreline site has been completed.
Receptor impact	Impact to mudflat epifauna and infauna from pressures, including hydrocarbons, is measured through change in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Species diversity + Assemblage composition + Abundance of indicator taxa. Other pressures to these states are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Physical disturbance + Discharge of toxicants + Overfishing (bait collecting) + Introduction of marine pests + Climate change.
Methodological approach	Monitoring will be designed as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Where long-term baseline data sites are contacted, a control chart (time-series) design will be applied. 8. Where appropriately matched baseline data sites are impacted and non-impacted, a BACI approach to monitoring will be applied.

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	<p>9. Where no baseline data sites are involved a post-spill pre-impact (preferable) or gradient approach to quantifying impacts will be applied (See Appendix A for detailed description of these approaches and Figure 1).</p> <p>Owing to potentially high spatial variation in assemblage structure, post-spill pre-impact monitoring will be a priority if baseline data are not available. If this opportunity is not available, a gradient approach to monitoring will be applied.</p> <p>Mudflat infauna will be sampled by way of replicated grab/core samples. Sampling sites within impacted and non-impacted areas to consider any cross-shore gradient in assemblage structure that may exist. Where baseline data exists methodology to adapt to available data such that results are comparable.</p> <p>Sites selected for mudflat infauna sampling to be concurrently sampled for sediment quality as per SMP2.</p> <p>Sampling frequency will be dictated by the number and location of sampling sites and the philosophy of the sampling design.</p> <p>Samples to be sieved with collected infauna preserved (buffered formalin or 70% ethanol as prescribed by the receiving laboratory) and sent to laboratory for identification of fauna to lowest taxonomic resolution possible. Process to follow that for baseline data where this pre-exists.</p>
Scope of work	Prepared by monitoring provider for issue within 24 hours of SMP being activated.
Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Senior Scientist with experience in epifauna and infauna assessment and sampling + Supporting Scientist + GIS personnel + Helicopter or available vessel and tender in operation + Refuelling facilities + Decontamination/washing facilities + Safety aircraft/rescue vessels on standby
Implementation	<p>With the purpose of collecting post spill pre-impact data, service provider able to mobilise within 72 hours of the scope of work having been provided to them (this time allowing for costing, preparation of equipment and disposables and travel to site).</p> <p>Actual mobilization time will depend on the decision to adopt post-spill pre-impact monitoring and associated timing requirements.</p>
Analysis and reporting	<p>Data will be entered to spatially explicit database and analysed to determine significant differences between impacted and non-impacted assemblages. Data and conclusions will be summarised in an environmental report card.</p> <p>Final draft report to be prepared within one month of monitoring completion; external peer review of final draft within two weeks of report provision to reviewer; finalise report within two weeks of peer review having been completed.</p>

SMP6 Benthic Habitats

SMP6 – Benthic Habitats	
Rationale	<p>Benthic habitats are those habitats associated with the seafloor. Major benthic habitats at risk are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Coral reefs (likely high susceptibility to spill) + Macroalgae and seagrass (likely moderate susceptibility to spill) + Non-coral benthic filter feeders (likely moderate susceptibility to spill) + Sub-tidal pavement (likely moderate susceptibility to spill) + Soft-substrate (likely lower susceptibility to spill). <p>Macroalgal and seagrass communities are important primary producers that also provide habitat, refuge areas and food for fish, turtles, dugongs, and invertebrates. Seagrass and macroalgae also increase structural diversity and stabilise soft substrates. Non-coral benthic filter feeders, which include sponges, molluscs, sea whips and gorgonians, are considered indicators of disturbance due to their immobility and long life cycles. Corals are important primary producers that provide food, substrate, and shelter for a diversity of marine life, including invertebrates and fish. They also protect coastlines from wave erosion and provide important substrate for algae. Undisturbed intertidal and subtidal coral reefs occur in several locations throughout the region.</p>
Aim	<p>To monitor changes in the cover and composition of benthic habitats in relation to an oil spill and associated activities.</p> <p>To monitor change in hard coral health and reproduction in relation to an oil spill and associated activities.</p>
Baseline	<p>Refer to the Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022).</p> <p>In addition, relevant available baseline metadata databases will be reviewed for applicable benthic habitat and coral health and reproduction baseline data.</p> <p>Remote sensing data, satellite and aerial imagery previously acquired may also be applicable for shallow clear-water benthic habitats to detect changes in benthic habitat cover and composition.</p> <p>Pollution-induced change to benthic habitat cover and composition may take some time to be detected. Therefore, post-spill, pre-impact benthic survey data will be collected when required to have a baseline state following initial oil contact.</p>
Initiation criteria	<p><u>Benthic habitat cover and composition</u></p> <p>Operational Monitoring, SMP1 or SMP2 indicates that subtidal benthic habitats are contacted or are predicted to be contacted by a hydrocarbon spill.</p> <p><u>Coral health and reproduction</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Operational Monitoring, SMP1 or SMP2 indicates that coral habitat is contacted or is predicted to be contacted by a hydrocarbon spill as defined in Table 1.
Termination criteria	<p><u>Benthic habitat cover and composition</u></p>

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	<p>Cover and composition of benthic habitats are not statistically significantly different from that of their baseline state (where baseline data exists) or are not statistically significantly different from comparable non-impacted assemblages.</p> <p><u>Coral health and reproduction</u></p> <p>Hydrocarbon concentration in corals, reproductive state and settlement indices are not statistically different from the baseline state (where baseline data exists) or from comparable non-impacted assemblages.</p>
Receptor impact	<p>Impact to benthic habitats from pressures including hydrocarbons is measured through change in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Species diversity + Assemblage composition + Percent cover. <p>Other pressures to these states are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Physical disturbance + Discharge of toxicants + Introduction of marine pests + Shading + Climate change.
Methodological approach	<p>Monitoring design will be as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10. Where long-term baseline data sites are contacted, a control chart (time-series) design will be applied. 11. Where appropriately matched baseline data sites are impacted and non-impacted, a BACI approach to monitoring will be applied. 12. Where no baseline data sites are involved, a gradient approach to quantifying impacts will be applied (See Appendix A for detailed description of these approaches and Figure 1). <p><u>Benthic Habitat Cover and Composition</u></p> <p>Field survey methodology will be based upon acquiring repeat digital imagery (video or still images) of benthic habitats along random transects (preferable), using a stratified sampling approach at each site to target different habitat types and depths where clear gradients in these conditions exist. Site selection and image acquisition methodology will aim to align applicable baseline studies where these exist, such that imagery is comparable.</p> <p>The number of sites and frequency of sampling will depend upon the sampling design philosophy.</p> <p>Divers, towed video or remotely operated vehicles (ROVs) will be employed to collect imagery considering safety aspects and the depth of water at survey locations.</p> <p>Where divers are employed, fish species may also be recorded where practicable (for example following methodologies employed by Babcock et al. (2008) to contribute to SMP11.</p>

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	<p><u>Coral Health and Reproduction</u></p> <p>Using divers, selected coral colonies will have tissue samples removed for the purpose of laboratory analysis of the concentration of accumulated hydrocarbons and for determining reproductive state, noting sampling for reproductive state will be dependent upon the timing of coral spawning. Reproductive state will be determined from measures of gamete size, stage and fecundity determined from in-field examination and laboratory analysis of histological samples.</p> <p>In addition to the standard suite of ecotoxicology testing done on the released hydrocarbon as part of the Operational Monitoring Program, ecotoxicology testing of the released hydrocarbon on the larval competency of representative coral species will be conducted.</p> <p>Settlement plates will be deployed to monitor settlement of coral recruits following spawning periods to ascertain the level of coral recruitment at impacted and non-impacted sites.</p>
Scope of work	Prepared by monitoring provider for issue within 24 hours of SMP being activated.
Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Senior Marine Scientist with experience in benthic habitat assessment + Supporting Scientist + Divers or ROV operators + GIS personnel + Available vessel in operation + Decontamination/washing facilities + Safety aircraft/rescue vessels on standby + Diving equipment or ROVs + Video recording facilities + Satellite imagery
Implementation	<p>Service provider is to be able to mobilise within 72 hours of the SoW being approved by Santos (this time allowing for costing, preparation of equipment and disposables and travel to site).</p> <p>Actual mobilisation time will depend on the decision to adopt post-spill pre-impact monitoring and associated timing requirements.</p>
Analysis and reporting	<p>Digital imagery will be analysed using a point-count technique (using software such as AVTAS, Coral Point Count with Excel extensions (CPCe) or TransectMeasure (SeaGIS)) to estimate the percentage cover of biotic and abiotic categories (in line with the CATAMI classification scheme) comprising the benthic habitat. Biotic categories to include the following as applicable: corals; macroalgae and seagrass; and non-coral benthic filter feeders.</p> <p>Live, dead and bleached coral cover shall be recorded. The imagery collected will allow for the determination of percent cover, abundance, measurement of size (if scaling lasers are included in the image) and a visual assessment of health (Kohler and Gill 2006).</p>

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	<p>NATA accredited laboratory analysis to determine the concentration of hydrocarbons within coral tissue.</p> <p>Reproductive output to be determined by complementary means, including in-field and laboratory analysis of gametes, including microscopic examination of histological samples preserved in the field.</p> <p>Coral larval competency tests to be conducted by ecotoxicological laboratory in addition to standard suite of ecotoxicological tests using released hydrocarbon.</p> <p>Data will be entered to spatially explicit database and analysed to determine significant differences between impacted and non-impacted assemblages. Data and conclusions will be summarised in an environmental report card provided as part of report.</p> <p>Final draft report to be prepared within one month of monitoring completion; external peer review of final draft within two weeks of report provision to reviewer; finalise report within two weeks of peer review having been completed.</p>

SMP7 Seabirds and Shorebirds

SMP7 – Seabirds and Shorebirds	
Rationale	<p>Marine waters and coastal habitats in the EMBA contain key habitats that are important to birds, including offshore islands, sandy beaches, tidal flats, mangroves and coastal and pelagic waters. These habitats support a variety of birds which utilise the area in different ways and at different times of the year. Birds can be broadly grouped according to their preferred foraging habitat as coastal/ terrestrial birds, seabirds and shorebirds, both migratory and resident. For the purposes of this document, seabirds and shorebirds are defined as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + shorebirds – those birds that inhabit and feed in the intertidal zone and adjacent areas and are resident or migratory, using the area principally during the austral summer. + seabirds – those birds associated with the sea and deriving most of their food from it, and typically breeding colonially, including the marine raptors osprey and white-bellied sea eagle.
Aim	<p>Quantify seabirds and shorebirds, in the spill and response areas.</p> <p>Quantify lethal and/or sub-lethal impacts of hydrocarbon spill exposure on seabirds and shorebirds.</p> <p>Monitor changes in seabird populations (reproductive success) in relation to the hydrocarbon spill and clean-up activities.</p>
Baseline	<p>Refer to the Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022).</p> <p>The Oil Spill Response Atlas (Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA)), National Conservation Values Atlas (Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (DAWE) (http://www.environment.gov.au/webgis-framework/apps/ncva/ncva.jsf)) and any local oiled wildlife response plans should also be consulted.</p>

SMP7 – Seabirds and Shorebirds	
Initiation criteria	<p>Operational monitoring indicates that known foraging, roosting or nesting areas for seabirds and/or shorebirds has been contacted, or are predicted to be contacted, by a hydrocarbon spill; OR</p> <p>Operational monitoring indicates that seabirds and shorebirds have been contacted, or are predicted to be contacted, by a hydrocarbon spill as defined in Table 1.</p>
Termination criteria	<p>Detectable levels of hydrocarbons attributable to the hydrocarbon spill are not present in seabird and shorebird tissues; AND</p> <p>Measured variables are not statistically significantly different from their baseline or pre-spill state (where these data exist) or from measured variables at non-impacted sites; AND</p> <p>Monitoring is terminated in consultation with the relevant environmental authority (relevant regional authority and/or DAWE).</p>
Receptor impact	<p>Impact to seabirds and shorebirds from pressures including hydrocarbons is measured through change in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Species diversity + Bird abundance + Health/condition + Breeding success (resident species only). <p>Other pressures to these states are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Physical disturbance of foraging and nesting habitat + Accidental chemical spillage + Entanglement in litter + Displacement by less favourable species (e.g. Silver Gull) + Predation + Climate change.
Methodological approach	<p>Monitoring design will be as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Where long-term baseline data sites are contacted a control chart (time-series) design will be applied. 2. Where appropriately matched baseline data sites are impacted and non-impacted, a BACI approach to monitoring will be applied. Given the ease of survey establishment, post-spill pre-impact monitoring will be attempted wherever practicable in order to established pre-impact state. 3. Where no baseline data sites are involved a gradient approach to quantifying impacts will be applied (See Appendix A for detailed description of these approaches and Figure 1, detailed in Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022).

SMP7 – Seabirds and Shorebirds	
	<p>Monitoring for seabirds and shorebirds will measure abundance and diversity in key foraging/roosting areas with the timing of surveys to coincide with seasonal peaks in abundance.</p> <p>The seabird and shorebird roost count monitoring will follow current accepted survey methodology, such as Birdlife Australia's Australian Shorebird Monitoring Program and survey guidelines standardised by the DAWE (Department of the Environment and Energy 2017).</p> <p>Monitoring of seabirds to focus on nesting (burrow) density, breeding participation and breeding success, taking measurements of the number of adults, eggs and chicks with the timing of surveys to allow assessments immediately after egg laying and immediately prior to chick fledging.</p> <p>Bird mortality to be recorded during monitoring of seabirds and shorebirds with tissue samples taken from dead birds for hydrocarbon analysis in the laboratory.</p> <p>Necroscopies will follow the process of Gagnon and Rawson (2010).</p>
Scope of work	Prepared by monitoring provider for issue within 24 hours of SMP being activated.
Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Experienced seabird biologist + Experienced shorebird biologist + Personnel with pathology or veterinary skills + NATA accredited laboratory for sample analysis and necropsy + Available vessel and tender in operation + Decontamination/washing facilities + Safety aircraft/rescue vessels on standby
Implementation	<p>Service provider able to mobilise within 72 hours of the scope of work having been provided to them (this time allowing for costing, preparation of equipment and disposables and travel to site).</p> <p>Actual mobilisation time will depend on the decision to adopt post-spill pre-impact monitoring and associated timing requirements.</p>
Analysis and reporting	<p>Data will be entered to spatially explicit database and analysed in order to determine significant differences between impacted and non-impacted assemblages. Data and conclusions will be summarised in an environmental report card.</p> <p>Draft annual report to be prepared within one month of monitoring completion; external peer review of final draft within two weeks of report provision to reviewer; finalise report within two weeks of peer review having been completed.</p>

SMP8 Marine Mammals

SMP8 – Marine Mammals	
Rationale	At least 11 species of listed marine mammals are known to, or are thought to occur, in Australian waters within the environment that may be affected. These include cetaceans (whales and dolphins) and sirenians (dugong). Effects to marine megafauna due to presence of surface oil, entrained oil and dissolved aromatic hydrocarbons may include behavioural (e.g. deviation from migratory routes), physiological (e.g. disruption to digestion) or physical effects. Given large spatial variation in occurrence and broad scale movement, population estimates, and associated change are not often available. This plan will focus on assessing the extent of impacts to animals within the region, and where possible, the level of recovery. This will then be used to deduce potential impacts at a population level.
Aim	To monitor short and long-term environmental effects on marine mammals that may have resulted from the hydrocarbon spill and associated response.
Baseline	Refer to the Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022). The Oil Spill Response Atlas (Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA)), National Conservation Values Atlas (DAWE - http://www.environment.gov.au/webgis-framework/apps/ncva/ncva.jsf) and local oiled wildlife response plans should also be consulted.
Initiation criteria	Operational monitoring indicates that marine mammals are contacted or predicted to be contacted by a hydrocarbon spill as defined in Table 1 .
Termination criteria	Restoration or resumption of key biological processes (e.g. abundance, distribution, breeding) necessary to ensure post-impact recovery is demonstrated. Specific criteria to be developed by Marine Scientist(s) with expertise in marine mammals of the region; AND No further instances of dead marine mammals with detectable levels of hydrocarbons attributable to the hydrocarbon spill; AND Monitoring is terminated in consultation with the relevant environmental authority (relevant regional authority and/or DAWE).
Receptor impact	Impact to marine mammals from pressures including hydrocarbons is measured through observed injury and mortality. Other pressures to these states are: + Physical disturbance + Entanglement in fishing gear and litter + Accidental chemical spillage + Climate change + Over-exploitation.
Methodological approach	Aerial and marine surveys will be implemented to identify individuals in proximity of the spill and to quantify damage: + Aerial surveys will follow the protocols of Hedley et al. (2011)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Marine surveys will follow the protocols of Watson et al. (2009) <p>Tissue sampling of dead or injured animals will follow the protocols of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Department of Environment and Heritage (DEH) (2006) (Cetaceans) + Eros et al. (2000) (Dugongs).
Scope of work	Prepared by monitoring provider for issue within 24 hours of SMP being activated.
Resources	<p>Aerial survey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Senior Marine Scientist + Trained marine wildlife observers x 2 + Fixed wing aircraft (incl. pilot/s) + Refuelling facilities <p>Vessel-based survey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Senior Marine Scientist + Trained marine wildlife observers x 2 + Personnel with pathology or veterinary skills + NATA accredited laboratory for sample analysis and necropsy + Available vessel in operation + Sample container and preservative + Decontamination/washing facilities + Safety aircraft/rescue vessels on standby
Implementation	<p>Service provider able to mobilise within 72 hours of the scope of work having been approved by Santos (this time allowing for costing, preparation of equipment and disposables and travel to site).</p> <p>Actual mobilisation time will depend on the decision to adopt post-spill pre-impact monitoring and spill timing requirements.</p>
Analysis and reporting	<p>Data will be entered to spatially explicit database. Data and conclusions will be summarised in an environmental report card.</p> <p>Statistical power related to these receptors is likely to be low, due to observational data and small sample sizes. Therefore, the assessment of quantified impacts will be corroborated with marine scientist(s) with expertise in relevant fauna.</p> <p>Draft annual report to be prepared within one month of annual monitoring completion; external peer review of final draft within two weeks of report provision to reviewer; finalise report within two weeks of peer review having been completed.</p>

SMP9 Marine Reptiles

SMP9 – Marine Reptiles	
Rationale	At least 10 species of listed marine reptiles are known to, or are thought to occur, in Australian waters within the environment that may be affected. This includes six species of marine turtle that occur in, use the waters, and nest on sandy beaches, two species of sea snake and one species of estuarine crocodile found in most major rivers systems of the Kimberley region and in the Northern Territory. Impacts to marine reptiles due to presence of surface oil, entrained oil and dissolved aromatic hydrocarbons may include behavioural, physiological (e.g. disruption to digestion) or physical effects.
Aim	To observe and quantify the presence of marine reptiles in the spill and response areas, and broader regional areas. To assess and quantify lethal impacts or sub-lethal impacts of this exposure or interactions. To monitor changes in marine reptile populations in relation to an oil spill and associated activities.
Baseline	Refer to the Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022). The Oil Spill Response Atlas (Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA)), National Conservation Values Atlas (DAWE - http://www.environment.gov.au/webgis-framework/apps/ncva/ncva.jsf) and local oiled wildlife response plans should also be consulted.
Initiation criteria	Operational monitoring indicates that marine reptiles or nesting sites are contacted or likely to be contacted by a hydrocarbon spill; OR Operational monitoring indicates that marine reptiles are contacted, or are predicted to be contacted, by a hydrocarbon spill as defined in Table 1 .
Termination criteria	Detectable levels of hydrocarbons attributable to the hydrocarbon spill are no longer present in marine reptile tissues collected from live or dead individuals; AND In the event that an impact attributable to the hydrocarbon spill is detected on marine reptiles, the measured parameters are not statistically significantly different from their baseline or pre-spill state (where these data exist) or from measured parameters at non impacted sites; AND Monitoring is terminated in consultation with the relevant environmental authority (relevant regional authority and/or DAWE).
Receptor impact	Impact to marine reptiles from pressures including hydrocarbons is measured through change in: + Abundance + Health/condition + Nesting success (turtles and crocodiles). Impact to other marine reptiles from pressures including hydrocarbons is measured through change in observed injury and condition. Other pressures to these states are:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Lighting and flares causing disorientation (turtles) + Vessel strike + Physical disturbance of nesting sites + Predation + Entanglement in fishing gear and litter + Accidental chemical spillage + Habitat loss or change due to dredging + Climate change + Over-exploitation.
Methodological approach	<p>Abundance</p> <p>In-water impacts – aerial surveys.</p> <p>Shoreline impacts – ground surveys (either rapid census survey or tagging program).</p> <p>Health/condition</p> <p>In-water impacts – vessel surveys (collecting observations on animal condition and collection of tissue samples or dead specimens for analysis).</p> <p>Shoreline impacts – ground surveys (collecting observations on animal condition and collection of tissue samples or dead specimens for analysis).</p> <p>Dead reptiles will be collected for autopsy following Gagnon (2009).</p> <p>Reproductive success</p> <p>Shoreline impacts – ground surveys (detailed tagging and/or nesting success studies).</p> <p>Design of ground surveys will be applied as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Where long-term baseline data sites are contacted a control chart (time-series) design will be applied. + Where appropriately matched baseline data sites are impacted and non-impacted, a BACI approach to monitoring will be applied. + Where no baseline data sites are involved, and timing allows, a post spill pre-impact approach will be attempted. + If a post-spill pre-impact approach is not practicable, a gradient approach to quantifying impacts will be applied
Scope of work	Prepared by monitoring provider for issue within 24 hours of SMP being activated.
Resources	<p>Aerial survey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Senior marine scientist + Trained marine wildlife observers x 2 + Fixed wing aircraft (incl. pilot/s)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Refuelling facilities <p>Vessel-based Survey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Senior Marine Scientist + Trained marine wildlife observers x 2 + Personnel with pathology or veterinary skills + NATA accredited laboratory for sample analysis and necropsy + Available vessel in operation + Decontamination/washing facilities + Safety aircraft/rescue vessels on standby
Implementation	<p>Service provider to be able to mobilise within 72 hours of the scope of work having been approved by Santos (this time allowing for costing, preparation of equipment and disposables and travel to site).</p> <p>Actual mobilisation time will depend on the decision to adopt post-spill pre-impact monitoring and spill timing requirements.</p>
Analysis and reporting	<p>Data will be entered to spatially explicit database. Turtle data will be analysed in order to test for significant differences between impacted and non-impacted assemblages. Data and conclusions will be summarised in an environmental report card.</p> <p>Owing to their observational nature and potentially low sample size, observed impacts to other reptile fauna will be corroborated with marine scientist(s) with expertise in relevant fauna for the region.</p> <p>Draft annual report to be prepared within one month of annual monitoring completion; external peer review of final draft within two weeks of report provision to reviewer; finalise report within two weeks of peer review having been completed.</p>

SMP10 Seafood Quality

SMP10 – Seafood Quality	
Rationale	<p>Exposure of commercial and recreationally targeted demersal and pelagic fish species to entrained and dissolved aromatic hydrocarbons can cause flesh tainting and increase the levels of toxicants above human consumption guidelines. Aromatic hydrocarbons are carcinogenic to humans. This scope includes finfish, sharks and invertebrates (principally crustacea).</p>
Aim	<p>To identify potential human health risks due to the presence of hydrocarbon concentrations in the flesh of targeted seafood species for consumption.</p>
Baseline	<p>Refer to the Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022).</p> <p>Human health benchmarks relating to the exposure of PAHs shall be used to determine health effects as per Yender et al. (2002).</p>

SMP10 – Seafood Quality	
	Flesh samples from non-impacted sites to be used as baseline for olfactory analysis for flesh taint.
Initiation criteria	Operational monitoring and results from SMP1 predict or observes contact of oil to target species for consumption as defined in Table 1 .
Termination criteria	<p>The following termination criteria will be adopted in consultation with responsible fisheries and human health agencies.</p> <p>Hydrocarbon concentrations in seafood tissues are not above levels considered a human health risk; AND</p> <p>Flesh taint is not detected from olfactory testing of seafood samples; AND</p> <p>Target species are no longer exposed to hydrocarbons in the water column.</p>
Receptor impact	<p>Impact to seafood quality from hydrocarbons is measured through change in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Toxicity indicators + Olfactory taint. <p>Other pressures to these states are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Accidental chemical spillage + Disease.
Methodological approach	<p>Target fish species determined from water quality monitoring results and relevant and available commercial and recreational-fished species.</p> <p>Sampling of target species will follow a gradient design (Gagnon and Rawson 2012) ranging from impacted to non-impacted (or non-suspect) catches using commercial and recreational fishing techniques undertaken by commercial and recreational fishers. Sampling method (netting, trawling, baited fish traps, spear fishing, line fishing) will be determined by habitat, target species and spill location.</p> <p>If more than one target species is affected, replicate samples of each species shall be collected, with a minimum of five replicate samples.</p> <p>Olfactory testing will follow Rawson et al. (Rawson et al. 2011), following the duo-trio method (Standards Australia 2005).</p>
Scope of work	Prepared by monitoring provider for issue within 24 hours of this SMP being activated.
Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Senior marine scientist + Marine vessel + Sample containers and preservative + NATA accredited laboratory for sample analysis + Decontamination/washing facilities
Implementation	Service provider to be able to mobilise within 72 hours of the scope of work having been approved by Santos (this time allowing for costing, preparation of equipment and disposables and travel to site).

SMP10 – Seafood Quality	
	Actual mobilisation time will depend on the decision to adopt post-spill pre-impact monitoring and spill timing requirements.
Analysis and reporting	<p>Laboratories will be NATA-accredited for food standards analyses. Data will be stored in spatially explicit database and analysed to test for significant differences between impacted and non-impacted seafood.</p> <p>Final draft report to be prepared within one month of monitoring completion; external peer review of final draft within two weeks of report provision to reviewer; finalise report within two weeks of peer review having been completed.</p>

SMP11 Fish, Fisheries and Aquaculture

SMP11 – Fish, Fisheries and Aquaculture	
Rationale	Impacts to fisheries species due to presence of entrained hydrocarbons may include lethal and sub-lethal physiological effects (e.g. reduced growth) and physical effects. The region comprises the Indo-West Pacific area which consists of a high diversity of fish species and assemblages and provides important spawning and nursery grounds for several fisheries species. Fish are concentrated in a number of biodiversity hotspots. The environment is also conducive to aquaculture including pearl production. Fisheries species that spawn or inhabit near shore areas face a greater risk to an oil spill than finfish found in deeper waters.
Aim	<p>To monitor changes in structure and distribution of fish assemblages in relation to an oil spill and associated activities.</p> <p>To monitor the effect of hydrocarbon exposure and physiological condition on fisheries and aquaculture species.</p>
Baseline	<p>Refer to the Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022).</p> <p>In addition, available relevant survey databases shall be reviewed for applicable baseline data.</p>
Initiation criteria	+ Operational monitoring indicates fish, fisheries or aquaculture are contacted or likely to be contacted by a hydrocarbon spill as defined in Table 1.
Termination criteria	<p>Fish assemblages are not statistically significantly different than those of baseline or similar non-impacted assemblages; AND</p> <p>Hydrocarbon concentrations, physiological condition indices, and biomarker levels in affected fish and aquaculture species are not statistically significantly different from those of non-impacted samples; AND</p> <p>Termination of monitoring is done in consultation with the responsible fisheries agencies.</p>
Receptor impact	<p>Impact to fish, fisheries and aquaculture from pressures including hydrocarbon concentrations is measured through change in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Species diversity + Abundance of indicator taxa

SMP11 – Fish, Fisheries and Aquaculture	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Assemblage structure + Health. <p>Other pressures to these states are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Accidental chemical spillage + Overfishing + Introduction of marine pests + Habitat disturbance + Climate change.
Methodological approach	<p>Fish assemblages will be assessed using the stereo-baited remote underwater videos (BRUVs) following Shortis et al. (2009). Fish assemblages will be randomly sampled within discrete habitats at cross-shelf impact areas and non-impact areas.</p> <p>Sampling design for fish assemblages will be as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 13. Where long-term baseline data sites are contacted a control chart (time-series) design will be applied. 14. Where appropriately matched baseline data sites are impacted and non-impacted, a BACI approach to monitoring will be applied. 15. If baseline data is not available, a gradient approach to quantifying impacts will be applied (See Appendix A for detailed description of these approaches and Figure 1). <p>Where relevant, data available from responsible fisheries agencies including catch/effort data, will be assessed to determine potential changes from baseline levels in fishing grounds potentially affected by an oil spill compared to after the event.</p> <p>For fish and aquaculture species potentially exposed to an oil spill, species will be sampled across the contamination gradient as per Gagnon and Rawson (2012).</p> <p>Hydrocarbon concentrations (particularly PAH) within tissues of fish and aquaculture species will be determined. Exposure to hydrocarbons on fish health will also be determine through analysis of physiological indices and biochemical markers following Gagnon and Rawson (2012).</p> <p>If fish kills are observed, whole specimens will be obtained and preserved (frozen) for necropsy to determine the cause of death.</p>
Scope of work	Prepared by monitoring provider for issue within 24 hours of this SMP being activated.
Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Senior marine scientist + Marine scientist trained in fish identification and necropsy + Marine scientist with BRUV experience + NATA accredited laboratory for sample analysis + Available vessel and tender in operation + Decontamination/washing facilities

SMP11 – Fish, Fisheries and Aquaculture	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Safety aircraft/rescue vessels on standby + Resources to analyse BRUV data.
Implementation	<p>Service provider to be able to mobilise within 72 hours of the scope of work having been approved by Santos (this time allowing for costing, preparation of equipment and disposables and travel to site).</p> <p>Actual mobilisation time will depend on the decision to adopt post-spill pre-impact monitoring and spill timing requirements.</p>
Analysis and reporting	<p>BRUV imagery will be processed using EventMeasure (SeaGIS) software.</p> <p>NATA-accredited laboratories will be employed for health analyses.</p> <p>Data will be entered to spatially explicit database and analysed to test for statistically significant differences between non-impacted and impacted fish assemblages.</p> <p>Data and conclusions will be summarised in an environmental report card.</p> <p>Final draft report to be prepared within one month of monitoring completion; external peer review of final draft within two weeks of report provision to reviewer; finalise report within two weeks of peer review having been completed.</p>

SMP12 Whale Sharks

SMP12 – Whale Sharks	
Rationale	<p>The whale shark (<i>Rhincodon typus</i>) is known to occur within the region. One of the best known aggregation sites occurs along the central and north-west coast of Western Australia from March to July. Whale sharks are also known to be highly migratory and a biologically important area for foraging extending into the Kimberley region of Western Australia also overlaps with the environment that may be affected. Effects to the whale shark due to presence of surface oil, entrained oil and dissolved aromatic hydrocarbons may include behavioural (e.g. deviation from migratory routes), physiological (e.g. disruption to digestion) or physical effects. Given large spatial variation in occurrence and broad scale movement, population estimates and associated change are not often available. This plan will focus on assessing the extent of impacts to animals within the region, and where possible, the level of recovery. This will then be used to deduce potential impacts at a population level.</p>
Aim	<p>To quantify impacts of an oil spill on whale sharks within Biologically Important Areas (BIAs) along the north-west and north Western Australian coastline.</p>
Baseline	<p>Refer to the Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022).</p> <p>The Oil Spill Response Atlas (Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA)), National Conservation Values Atlas (DAWE - http://www.environment.gov.au/webgis-framework/apps/ncva/ncva.jsf) and Pilbara Region Oiled Wildlife Response Plan (Department of Parks and Wildlife and Australian Marine Oil Spill Centre 2014) should also be consulted.</p>

SMP12 – Whale Sharks	
Initiation criteria	Operational monitoring indicates that whale shark aggregations are contacted or likely to be contacted by a hydrocarbon spill as defined in Table 1 .
Termination criteria	Measured parameters of whale shark abundance and distribution are not significantly different to baseline levels; AND The water quality at feeding/aggregation sites has been measured as not significantly different to baseline levels.
Receptor impact	Impact to whale sharks from pressures including hydrocarbons is measured through observed injury and mortality. Other pressures to these states are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Intentional and unintentional mortality from fishing outside Australian waters + Boat strike + Habitat disruption from mineral exploration, production and transportation + Marine debris + Climate change.
Methodological approach	During spill activities may require the following surveys and sampling: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Aerial surveys + Satellite tagging + Toxicology + Food chain studies + Photo-identification + Vessel and plane logs + Acoustic tagging. <p>The methodologies adopted will follow the approaches of those baseline studies identified allowing consistency of data from baseline to impact and recovery phases.</p>
Scope of work	Prepared by monitoring provider for issue within 24 hours of this SMP being activated.
Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Senior marine scientist + Trained marine wildlife observers x 2 + Fixed wing aircraft (incl. pilot/s) + Refuelling facilities + Personnel with pathology or veterinary skills + NATA accredited laboratory for sample analysis + Available vessel and tender in operation + Decontamination/washing facilities

SMP12 – Whale Sharks	
	+ Safety aircraft/rescue vessels on standby
Implementation	Service provider to be able to mobilise within 72 hours of the scope of work having been approved by Santos (this time allowing for costing, preparation of equipment and disposables and travel to site). Actual mobilisation time will depend on the decision to adopt post-spill pre-impact monitoring and spill timing requirements.
Analysis and reporting	Draft annual report to be prepared within one month of annual monitoring completion; external peer review of final draft within two weeks of report provision to reviewer; finalise report within two weeks of peer review having been completed.

3 Receptor Description, Impact and Baseline Data

A values and sensitivities assessment is undertaken that describes the environmental receptors that occur within the particular EMBA. This includes their general distribution within the EMBA, as well as Biologically Important Areas, Key Ecological Features and habitat critical, and their potential response to hydrocarbon spills.

Potential baseline data which may be used to support monitoring for the sensitive receptors identified during the values and sensitivities assessment are reviewed and assessed for its suitability to provide a meaningful baseline from which to assess the impact of a hydrocarbon spill. The most up-to-date and spatially relevant baseline studies are detailed in the Baseline Data Review (SO-91-RF-20022). These baseline data are not intended as a static list, but are continually updated, and augmented by co-operation amongst resource companies and other agencies. During the standby phase, data quality are progressively and critically assessed following a data governance framework. These data will be accessed in the event of a spill in order to develop the most reliable monitoring program. The Baseline Data Review forms a basis for determining the level of priority for obtaining baseline data prior to oil contact, in the event of a hydrocarbon spill.

4 Scientific Monitoring Principles

4.1 Monitoring Design

In the event of an oil spill the monitoring design will depend upon the nature of the spill, the availability of baseline data in relation to the spill extent and expert opinion. In order to ensure the application of robust designs and sampling approaches which have the highest likelihood of detecting an environmental impact while allowing suitable flexibility, this plan provides a set of Guiding Principles for monitoring design and sampling (**Table 2**). A structured decision-making framework for allocating monitoring effort in both time and space is described in **Figure 1**.

Table 2: Guiding Principles for Oil Spill Monitoring Design and Methodologies.

Principle	Explanation	Key guiding references
Match baseline	Designs and methodologies should follow those used in appropriate baseline studies wherever possible.	N/A
Comprehensive sampling	Sampling methods should seek to sample the full range of taxa within each assemblage. This may require the use of several complimentary techniques (the exception is if indicator taxa are employed; see below).	N/A
Reliable indicator taxa	If indicator taxa are targeted then the choice of indicator should be defensible, and a link to the response of the broader assemblage demonstrated. Indicators of ecosystem function should also be considered.	Hilty and Merenlender (2000)
Appropriate sample area or volume	Size of sampling unit should be determined based on the level of clustering of individuals and whether the goal is to quantify this clustering, or establish low inter-sample variability (probably more the latter for oil spill studies).	Kenkel et al. (1989)
Reduce within sample variation over time	Wherever possible repeated measures are carried out on the same sample space in order to reduce within treatment variation.	N/A
Compositing of samples	Appropriate compositing to increase statistical power should be considered.	Carey and Keough (2002)
Account for environmental gradients and partition variations	Sources of variation are considered and compartmentalised to best reduce within treatment variation, and thereby maximise power to detect an impact. This is managed through several means:	English et al. (1997), Snedecor and Cochran (1989)

Principle	Explanation	Key guiding references
	<p>Environmental covariates are considered in sampling design recorded and incorporated statistically.</p> <p>A hierarchical or stratified sampling design is used to address variation at multiple scales</p> <p>Design is standardized, by sampling equivalent strata (e.g., level of exposure, depth etc.).</p>	
Assess statistical power	Where null-hypothesis tests are planned, statistical power of the design is assessed prior to execution.	Gerrodette (1987) Legg and Nagy (2006) Toft and Shea (1982)
Appropriate sampling extent	Sample the range of hydrocarbon concentration (and at least the upper end).	Skalski (1995)
Independence amongst samples	Site selection should aim for independence amongst samples and potential spatial or temporal autocorrelation should be considered.	Hurlbert (1984)
Reduce observation error	Observer bias and amongst observer variation should be considered.	Thompson and Mapstone (1997)
Appropriate spatial replication	Sites are replicated. A limitation is that there is only one spill, but control sites should be replicated and spatially Interspersed. Ideally, the design should be able to detect an impact at several possible scales.	Underwood (Underwood 1991, 1992, 1994)
Appropriate temporal replication	Sampling should account for natural temporal variation.	Underwood (Underwood 1991, 1992, 1994)

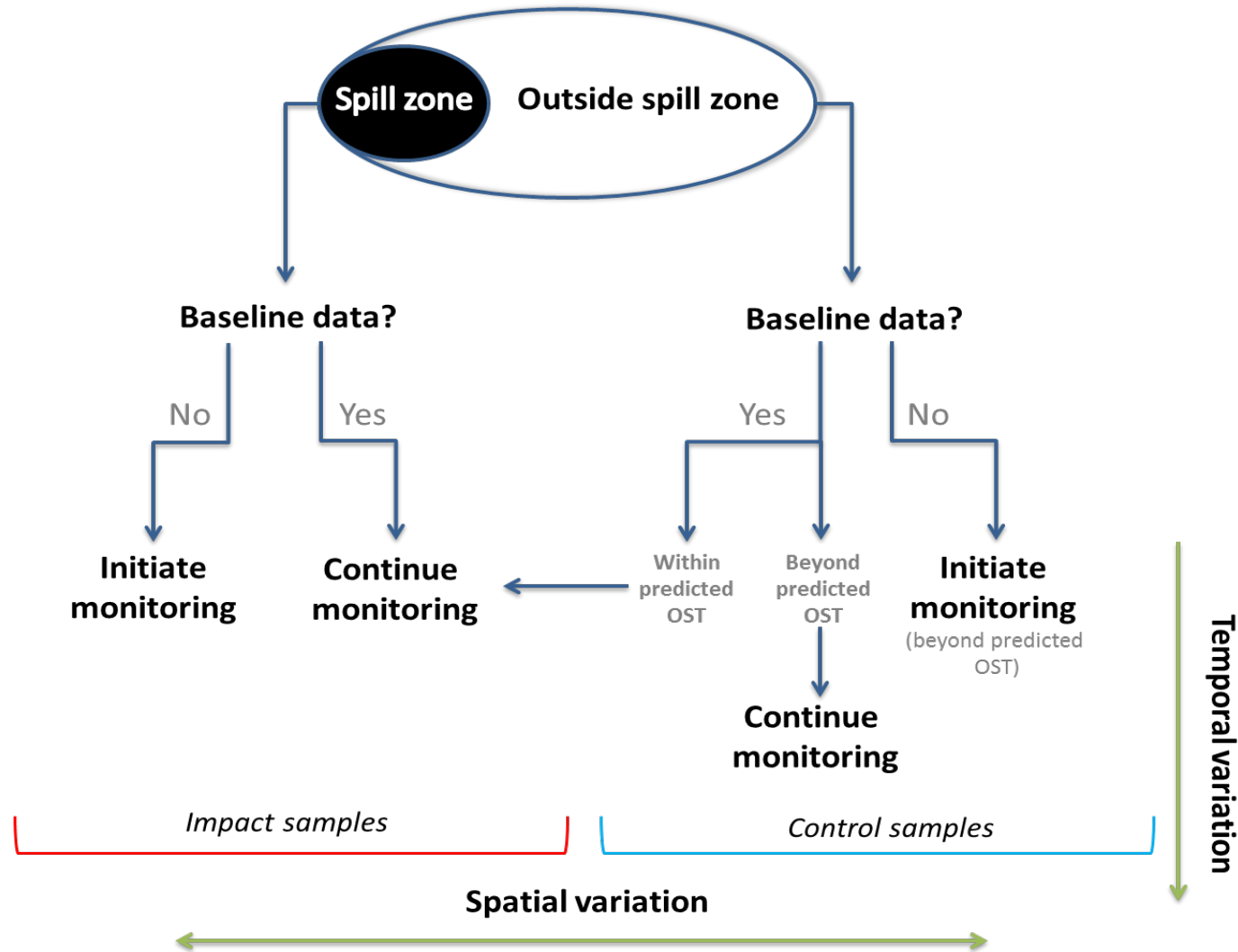


Figure 1: Structured Decision Making Process Based on Gregory et al. (2012) in Reference to Monitoring Programs, the Availability of Baseline Data, and Oil Spill Trajectory. An ideal design sampling would occur across a gradient of exposure rather than 'impact' and 'control' per se.

4.2 Data Analysis

Appendix A details the most important approaches to statistical analysis and related sampling design. These approaches are summarised in Table 3 (below). An important consideration is how this information is best summarised and communicated to guide further decision making and management. **Appendix A** also describes the reporting of environmental outcomes through the use of report card systems and includes a summary of their structure and design.

Table 3: Summary of Data Analysis Techniques.

Analysis type		Description	Strength	Limitations	Addressing limitations
Gradient analysis		Impact is quantified in terms of distance from spill.	Can be established post-spill.	Doesn't account for inherent spatial patterns present prior to spill.	Include spatial covariates in model. Incorporate a temporal component.
Control chart	Univariate	Single variable is monitored and plotted over time, and breaching of control limits tested.	Control sites are not required. Takes account of natural variation in system.	Control limits do not necessarily have biological meaning. Doesn't control for broader spatial scale temporal variation.	Include control charts for control sites which incorporate broad scale temporal variation.
	Multivariate	Multiple variables are combined, monitored and plotted over time, and breaching of control limits tested.	Ability to combine suite of data (e.g. community composition) into one variable. Sites plots not required.	Individual responses are masked. Control limits do not necessarily have biological meaning. Significant control limits challenging to define. Direction of change is undefined.	Compliment with graphical approaches to identify direction of change and individual species responses.
	Reference	Control limits are based on knowledge of biological system (e.g. minimum viable population size, toxicity).	Control limits have recognised biological meaning or consequence.	Control limits may be considered arbitrary.	Use established standards for control limits.

Analysis type	Description	Strength	Limitations	Addressing limitations
BACI	Quantifies state before and after potential impact, and also at impacted and control sites. Impact is tested by statistical interaction of terms.	Controls for natural variation, by incorporating control sites.	Limited power to detect significant impact. Requires appropriate matching of control (non-impacted) sites. Requires pre-impact data.	Increase power by increasing temporal component. Choose indicators with low natural variability.

4.3 Data Governance

Under NOPSEMA guidelines, data governance refers to the management of data and its quality, generation and enforcement of data policies and standards surrounding the handling of environmental and biodiversity data in the unlikely event of an incident (National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority 2016). **Appendix B** provides a description of the key requirements for data governance of oil spill-related data and suggests a suitable framework.

5 Mobilising Scientific Response Teams

Detailed information for activating and implementing a scientific monitoring response is provided in the Oil Spill Scientific Monitoring Standby and Response Manual (EA-00-RI-10162).

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Appendix N SMP and Operational Monitoring Activation Process

O-1 SMP Activation Form

Instructions

In the event of a spill requiring a response from RPS follow these steps:

1. Activate a response – call **1300 424 115** and leave a voicemail if there is no answer.
2. Immediately complete this Activation Form and email to osmp.response@rpsgroup.com.au.

You will either talk directly with or receive a call back from the Monitoring Coordinator. In the event that a call back is not received after 30 minutes, please call **1300 424 115** again.

Note: If new information should become available after submitting this form, or the situation changes, please advise the RPS Monitoring Coordinator as soon as possible.

Section 1: Contact Details of notifying person

Name of notifying person		
Position in Incident Command Team		
Direct phone		
Mobile		
Email address		
Command centre location		
Command centre direct phone		
Date and time of notification	Click here to enter a date.	Enter time, i.e. 1400 WST

Section 2: Spill Details

Date and time of spill	Click here to enter a date.	Enter time, i.e. 1400 WST	
Spill source location (GDA94, MGA Zone 50)	Insert coordinates in GDA94 format (easting and northing).		
	Insert location description		
Source of spill / hydrocarbon type			
Cause of spill (if known)			
Status of spill	<input type="checkbox"/> Secured	<input type="checkbox"/> Uncontrolled <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
Release rate	Instantaneous release	State units	
	OR		
	Continuous release	per hour for <input type="checkbox"/> Hours <input type="checkbox"/> Days	
Spill Description	Estimated quantity	State units	
	Incident tier		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3
	Direction of travel		
	Trajectory		
Modelling provider log in details			

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Section 3: OMP/SMP activation

SMPs to be activated.

Where there is doubt whether an SMP should be activated the SMP should be selected. Refer to the Oil Spill Scientific Monitoring Plan (EA- 00-RI-10099) for initiation criteria for SMPS.

- SMP1 – Water quality
- Operational water quality monitoring
- SMP2 – Sediment quality
- SMP3 – Sandy beaches and rocky shores
- SMP4 – Mangroves
- SMP5 – Intertidal mudflats
- SMP6 – Benthic habitats
- SMP7 – Seabirds and shorebirds
- SMP8 – Marine megafauna
- SMP9 – Marine reptiles
- SMP10 – Seafood quality
- SMP11 – Fish, fisheries and aquaculture
- Yet to be determined
- Other: _____

Section 4: Safety

Detail any known safety or security risks

Weather conditions on site and short-term forecast

Section 5: Approval

I authorise the activation of a response by RPS Australia Group Pty Ltd in connection with the above incident under the terms of Contract #7686 and authorise expenditure against the pre-approved emergency mobilisation budget.

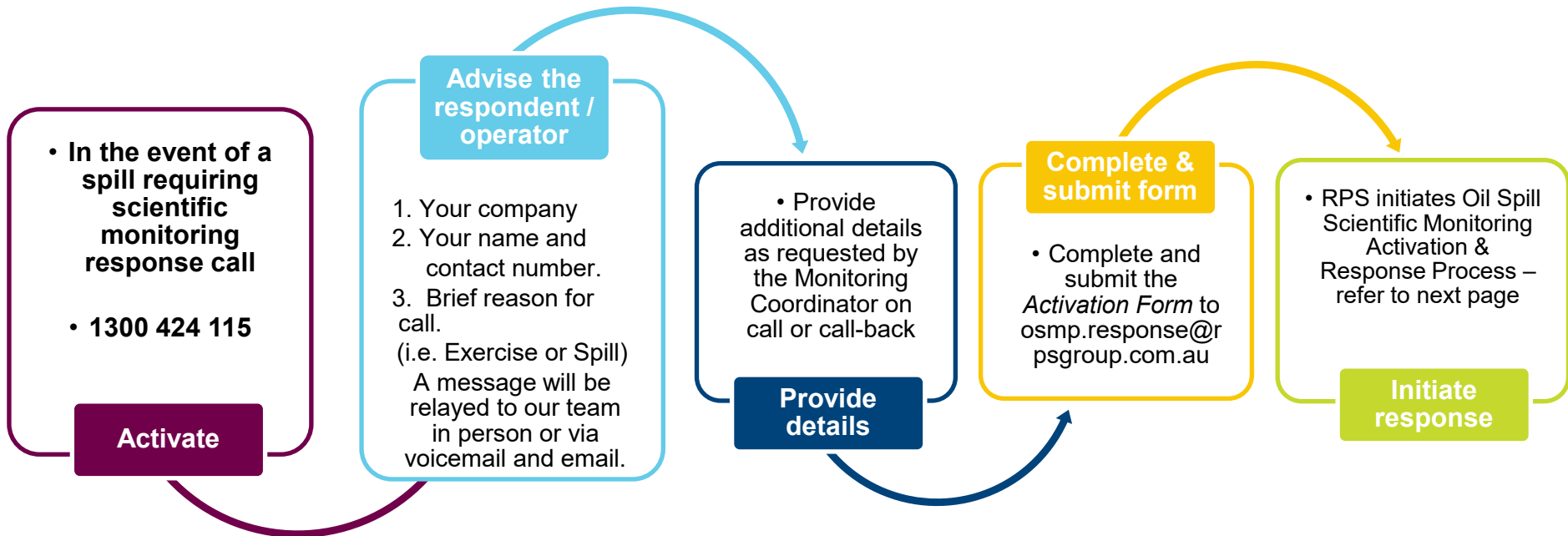
Signature:

Position:

Date and Time:

O-2 SMP Activation Process

ACTIVATE OUR TEAM



OIL SPILL SCIENTIFIC MONITORING ACTIVATION AND RESPONSE PROCESS



Table i: Activation and response process and timeframes. Tasks for Santos are colour coded in grey, tasks for RPS are coloured in purple.

Step	Responsibility	Action	Timeframe	Resources	Date/Time complete
Phase 1 – Activation					
1	Santos IMT (Environmental Unit Leader (EUL))	RPS Monitoring Coordinator notified of incident.	On approval from Santos Incident Commander	RPS oil spill response phone number and answering service (1300 424 115)	
2	Santos IMT (EUL)	Complete <i>Activation Form</i> and submit to RPS via email to osmp.response@rpsgroup.com.au	Within one hour following initial notification (Step 2)	Activation Form	
2	RPS Monitoring Coordinator (MC)	Call back client for further details, and request <i>Activation Form</i> if not received.	Within 30 minutes of receiving initial notification	Activation Form	
3	RPS MC	Call Planning & Logistics Officer to advise of incident.	Immediately following Step 2	Mobile phone	
5	RPS Planning & Logistics Officer (PLO)	Notify MCT, Technical Advisors and key subcontractors via SMS, email or phone.	Within 30 minutes of Step 3	RPS OSM Resource Register	
6	RPS PLO	Notify relevant staff of incident via email or phone.	Within one hour of receiving Activation Form	RPS OSM Resource Register	
7	RPS MC	Provide twice daily email updates to Santos IMT including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • latest progress • plan for next 24-48 hours • key logistical requirements/constraints • info required from Santos • any other business. 	(1200 and 1700) or as agreed with Santos IMT	n/a	
8	RPS MC, Operations Officer and PLO	Maintain Incident Log throughout response.	Daily	Functional Log	



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Phase 2 – Response Planning

9	RPS MC and RPS PLO	Determine location of monitoring coordination operations (in office or remote) and ensure team is equipped to operate remotely if necessary.	Within 2 hours of activation form (Step 4)			
10	Santos IMT (EUL)	Provide spill trajectory modelling (access link to portal) and sensitive receptor information to RPS.	Within 4 hours of activation form (Step 4)	RPS OST modelling Department of Transport database: WAMOPRA (navigatusconsulting.com) Santos GIS Mapping		
11	RPS MC, PLO and Operations Officer	Attend Santos incident briefing if required and relay information to MCT.	As advised by the Santos IMT (EUL)	n/a		
12	MCT and Technical advisors	MCT and Technical Advisors to convene to review personnel and equipment resource status.	Within 6 hours of activation form (Step 4)	Capability report Training matrix Resource chart		
13	RPS PLO RPS Operations officer	Confirm availability of additional personnel and equipment resources.	Within 8 hours of activation form (Step 4)	External Supplier Details RPS OSM Resource Register		
14	RPS MC in consultation with Santos EUL	Define the scale of response - identify which SMPs are activated and if a First Strike Response ² approach is necessary. Identify if operational water quality monitoring is required.	Within 2 hours of receiving spill and receptor information (Step 10).	Scientific Monitoring Plan ⁴ Relevant OPEP Spill trajectory modelling Operational monitoring results.		




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15	RPS Technical Advisors in consultation with Santos EUL	<p>Determine monitoring locations for activated SMPs:</p> <p>Identify monitoring locations in order of priority for activated SMPs based on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • nature of hydrocarbon spill • spill trajectory modelling and time to shoreline impacts • sensitive receptors impacted or potentially at risk of being impacted • state of current baseline data • current environmental conditions • current results of operational monitoring. <p>Determine if post-spill pre-impact data is required to be collected from any locations. Refer to SMP Work Method Statements for decision making process when considering availability of baseline data.</p>	Within 12 hours of receiving spill modelling (Step 10).	<p>Relevant SMPs Information from RPS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • baseline information for relevant receptors. <p>Information from Santos IMT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sensitive receptor information (including relevant conservation/ management plans) from relevant EP, Santos GIS mapping and online resources (DoT oil spill response atlas, DoE conservation values atlas, DoE species profile and threats database) • oil spill trajectory modelling • response strategies and priority protection areas • results from OMPs currently activated <p>baseline information for relevant receptors as referenced in the relevant SMP.</p>
16	RPS Operations Officer, PLO & Technical Advisors in consultation with Santos EUL	<p>Determine personnel requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify number and competencies of personnel required for monitoring teams for each SMP based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – activated SMPs – number of locations to be monitored – number of locations where pre-spill baseline data needs to be collected – timing of hydrocarbon spill and overlap with sensitive receptors in activated SMPs – logistical and equipment resource constraints. 	Within 12 hours of receiving spill modelling (Step 10).	<p>Information from RPS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capability report • Training matrix • Resource chart • relevant SMPs and WMS. <p>Information from Santos IMT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sensitive receptor information • oil spill trajectory modelling



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		<p>Arrange additional personnel if required. Determine status of required Santos induction/medicals for personnel and request online training profiles and medical bookings if required.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • response strategies and priority protection areas • equipment (i.e. vessels, aircraft) availability • logistics (availability of flights, accommodation, etc). 	
17	RPS Operations Officer, PLO & Technical Advisors in consultation with Santos EUL	<p>Determine equipment requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify number and competencies of equipment required for each SMP based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – activated SMPs – number of locations to be monitored – number of field teams and timing of mobilisation to the field – logistical and equipment resource constraints. • Arrange additional equipment resources if required. 	Within 12 hours of receiving spill modelling (Step 10).	<p>Information from RPS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource chart • relevant SMPs and WMS. <p>Information from Santos IMT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • equipment (i.e. vessels, aircraft) availability • logistics (availability of flights, accommodation etc). 	 <p>17 hours</p>
18	RPS MC, Operations Officer, PLO & Technical Advisors	<p>Submit Monitoring Action Plan (MAP) (mission, objectives, strategies, tactics, tasks), including scope of works and spatial information for survey locations to inform Santos SIMOPS and other permission requirements.</p> <p>Prepare and submit cost estimate.</p> <p>Prepare and submit logistics request:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allocate personnel and equipment resources to field teams for relevant SMPs. <p>Submit scope of work (SoW) and logistics request for each activated SMP to Santos IMT for approval.</p>	Within 24 hours of receiving spill modelling (Step 10) for relevant SMPs.	<p>Information from RPS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource chart • relevant SMPs and WMS • agreed monitoring locations • Mobilisation and Logistics Form (incorporating SoW) • Monitoring Action Plan. <p>Information from Santos IMT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • request for SoW agreed monitoring locations. 	
19	RPS Technical Advisors in consultation with Santos EUL	Submit fauna licence applications	Within 24 hours of receiving spill modelling (Step 10).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed monitoring locations • SMP methods 	

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20	Santos IMT (EUL)	Santos to approve MAP, provide purchase order and initiate logistical arrangements.	Within 24 hours of MAP submission (Step 18) ⁵	RPS Mobilisation and Logistics Request	
21	RPS MC	Advise field personnel by email meeting invite, or phone if not in office. Delegate and initiate tasks for field preparation.	Preliminary notification prior to submission of MAP, then confirm once approved by Santos	Field team allocation	


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Phase 3 - Mobilisation

24	RPS PLO	GIS and device preparation requests (field maps, data capture) submitted, and discussed with Geospatial team.	To be initiated during MAP preparation	https://voyager/		
26	Field Team Leaders	Compile SMP field documentation, forms, GIS information, field equipment, and prepare and submit HSE documentation to Santos IMT.	Commence once MAP submitted (Step 18). Submit HSE documentation 24 hours prior to mobilisation.	Information from RPS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SoW • Grab packs, SMP WMS and HSE documentation • GIS information/field maps • field equipment. Information from Santos IMT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • booking and logistics confirmations. 		
27	RPS Technical Advisors	Conduct scope specific pre-mobilisation briefings.	24 hours prior to mobilisation.	Pre-mob Briefing Template		
28	Santos EUL	Santos to approve HSE plan.	8 hours prior to mobilisation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mobilisation and Logistics Form • HSE plan 		
29	RPS PLO	Personnel mobilised to site for First Strike Response.	Within 72 hrs of MAP approval (Step 20)	Approved SoW		



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Step	Responsibility	Action	Timeframe	Resources	Date/Time complete	Timeline
Phase 4 – Response Operations						
30	RPS MC	Conduct Monitoring Action Plan review with MCT and Technical Advisors and communicate to Santos IMT (EUL).	Daily	Monitoring Action Plan template		
31	RPS PLO	Hold post-demobilisation debrief with field teams.	Within 3 days of demobilisation.	Demob. Meeting Template		
32	Santos EUL	Santos to arrange approval of Monitoring Action Plan revisions and any additional mobilisation/logistics requirements.	Daily or as required	Monitoring Action Plan Mobilisation and Logistics Form		
33	RPS Field Team Leaders	Provide activity reports to Santos EUL.	Daily	Daily Activity Report Template		

¹ Timeframes are indicative and may be require adjustment where activities are dependent on information availability or affected by logistical constraints.

² First Strike Response is a rapid initial mobilisation of personnel and equipment following an oil spill incident to undertake priority scientific monitoring. Objectives of this first strike response may include:

- collection of pre-impact baseline data,
- collection of impact data for areas or receptors of high environmental significance,
- rapid assessment to determine impacts on receptors to inform operational monitoring or the future scientific monitoring requirements, if required.

The initial first strike response may not include monitoring of all activated SMPs and may include a smaller contingent of personnel and equipment, depending on the objective. The objectives and approach of the first strike response will be determined in consultation with Santos.

³ The Scientific Monitoring Plan (EA-00-RI-10099) provides the most up to date list of SMPs and activation criteria. Refer to the OPEP for operational water quality monitoring requirements.

⁴ Approval of the MAP in a timeframe longer than 24 hours after submission may result in delays to mobilisation.

Appendix O Scientific Monitoring Capability

Scientific Monitoring Assurance and Capability Assessment

Assurance arrangements

Santos has a primary Monitoring Service Provider (MSP) for the implementation of Scientific Monitoring Plans (SMPs) 1-11. A contractual arrangement exists between Santos and the MSP to maintain standby arrangements as per the Oil Spill Scientific Monitoring Standby and Response Manual (EA-00-RI-10162); The MSP has the resourcing capability to implement a first-strike response at all times. The MSP maintains a relationship with primary sub-contractors for the provision of scientific monitoring for those SMPs where the MSP does not have the required capability. Between the MSP and primary sub-contractors, capability exists to deliver first strike resourcing against SMPs 1-11. SMP 12 will be conducted by capability obtained through the Australian Institute of Marine Science (AIMS).

Assurance on the continued maintenance of capability is provided through the delivery of monthly capability reports. These reports are generated by the MSP and subcontractor Planning and Logistics Officers and delivered to the Santos Spill Response Adviser along with a summary of any changes in resourcing, and if required, how gaps in resourcing have been managed. Since the establishment of the scientific monitoring contract in 2015 the MSP has always demonstrated through this process that it has the required capability to meet first strike resourcing as per the standby services contract.

Santos ensures that MSP standby arrangements are adequate through its exercise and auditing program. Santos regularly conducts exercises and tests with the MSP and its sub-contractors to ensure that Santos IMT roles and MSP/sub-contractor monitoring roles are familiar with the SMP activation arrangements while providing spot checks on resource availability. Santos has previously also undertaken an audit of the MSP against its Oil Spill Scientific Monitoring Standby and Response Manual (EA-00-RI-10162). Assurance activities to date have demonstrated a high degree of compliance with standby service requirements.

Continuous improvement

Santos is committed to further improving its oil spill scientific monitoring capability. To that end, Santos is participating in a Joint Industry Operational and Scientific Monitoring Plans project, governed through an AEP-Industry Steering Committee. This project, being progressed throughout 2023, is working towards a joint-industry capability for implementing a common suite of oil spill operational and scientific monitoring plans. The project aims to deliver efficiencies in implementing and testing oil spill scientific monitoring arrangements while increasing the level of resourcing and capability available to participating companies.

Appendix P Forward Operations Guidance

The IMT operate from Perth within the Santos IMT room. These rooms are equipped and subject to reviews and updates as detailed in the Santos Incident Management Plan – Upstream Offshore (SO-00-ZF-00025).

To facilitate a streamlined response, forward operational bases are required close to the response operational areas equipped with near duplicated IMT equipment and personnel. Further information on FOBs is provided in the Santos Oil Spill Response – Forward Operating Base Guideline (SO-91-IF-20017).

Forward Operating Base (FOB)

For a significant Level 2/3 response requiring coordination of resources to be deployed to the field, Santos will establish an FOB. For a level 2/3 spill crossing from Commonwealth to Territory waters (cross-jurisdictional spills) NT Control Agency will establish an FOB.

For a Barossa Darwin Pipeline Duplication (NT waters) activity spill response, Santos will establish an FOB at the Santos Darwin facilities.

Additional FOBs may be set up as operational requirements dictate.

