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MEMORANDUM

From: N. LAWSON, LT USCG

To: THE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSHERIC ADMINISTRATION

Subj: TRANSFER OF RECORDS FOR U.S. COAST GUARD FOIA

Enclosed are a copy of a FOIA request and a copy of the modified FOIA request received by the U.S. Coast Guard. The requester is seeking the following records:

"All logs, charts, maps, databases, flight plans, photographs, videos, mission/sortie reports and communications (including email messages) relating to the aerial application of dispersants in the Gulf of Mexico by either the United States armed forces or by private entities (including in the State waters of FL, LA, MS, and AL, as well as in federal waters) since the Deepwater Horizon caught fire on April 20, 2010, specifically including: the dates of all flights and the departure airport the time of day of each flight and its duration the identity of the aircraft used for each flight, its payload capacity, and the volume of dispersant onboard at time of departure and at return the type of dispersant used (including which kind of Corexit, for example, Corexit 9500 or Corexit 9527A) for each flight the locations where the dispersant was to be sprayed for each flight the locations where the dispersant was actually sprayed for each flight the identity of the operator of each flight and the names and identities (including governmental agency affiliation) of any person involved in the decision-making of where to spray, how much, how often, etc., as well as the names and identities of persons involved in the loading or unloading of dispersant onto aircraft and of those involved in the application of dispersants any communication to and/or from vessels of opportunity (VOs) about the location/coordinates of oil and/or the need for aerial spraying of dispersants or the intention to target such areas."

During our search for responsive records, we located records that originated within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Therefore, we are transferring those enclosed responsive documents, totaling 21 pages to you for your review and direct response to the requester. The requester will be notified of this transfer.

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Enclosures: Original FOIA Request, Modified FOIA Request, 21 Pages of Responsive Records

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From: AHertslet@weitzlux.com on behalf of Hertslet, Angel [AHertslet@weitzlux.com]
Sent: Friday, July 23, 2010 5:47 PM
To: HQS-PF-fldr-CG-611 EFOIA
Subject: FOIA request

Categories: Red Category

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act.
I request that a copy of the following documents (or documents containing the following information) be provided to me:
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any communication to and/or from vessels of opportunity (VOs) to any party about the location/coordinates of oil or the need for aerial spraying of dispersants

In order to determine my status to assess fees, you should know that my fee category is: affiliated with a private company and seeking records for the company's business.
The maximum dollar amount I am willing to pay for this request is $100. Please notify me if the fees will exceed $100.

I request expedited processing of the request and provide a justification below. I believe a compelling need exists to warrant expedited processing because individuals have been developing rashes and other symptoms that may be associated with their exposure to the aerial spraying of dispersants.
Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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Lawson, Neal LT

From: AHertslet@weitzlux.com on behalf of Hertslet, Angel [AHertslet@weitzlux.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 05, 2010 6:27 PM
To: Lawson, Neal LT
Cc: LeMense, Julia
Subject: FOIA request

Lieutenant Lawson,

As a follow up to our communication and your conversation with Julia LeMense in our office, we respectfully request that our previously submitted FOIA request, dated July 23, 2010, be modified as set forth below. The purpose of the modification is to facilitate your office's review and granting of this request. Thank you.

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EXPERIMENTAL MARINE POLLUTION SURVEILLANCE REPORT

Analysis Provided by: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/National Environmental Satellite, Data and Information Service (NOAA/NESDIS)

REPORT DATE: May 13, 2010
REPORT TIME: 05/14 0135Z (05/13 2135 CDT)
ANALYST: EVANS

DATA SOURCE: CosmoSkymed-2
MODE: ScanSAR VV
RESOLUTION: 30 Meters
IMAGE DATE/TIME: 05/13/2010 2345Z (1845 CDT)

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Anomaly

Location of Deepwater Horizon Platform: [28°44'12" N / 88°23'14" W]

REMARKS

The latest Cosmo Skymed image shows a large oil slick mainly to the north and east of the spill site. Oil may exist further east however the edge of the image cuts off near 88°W. Smaller slicks are observed to the north of the main oil slick near the Chandeleur Islands.

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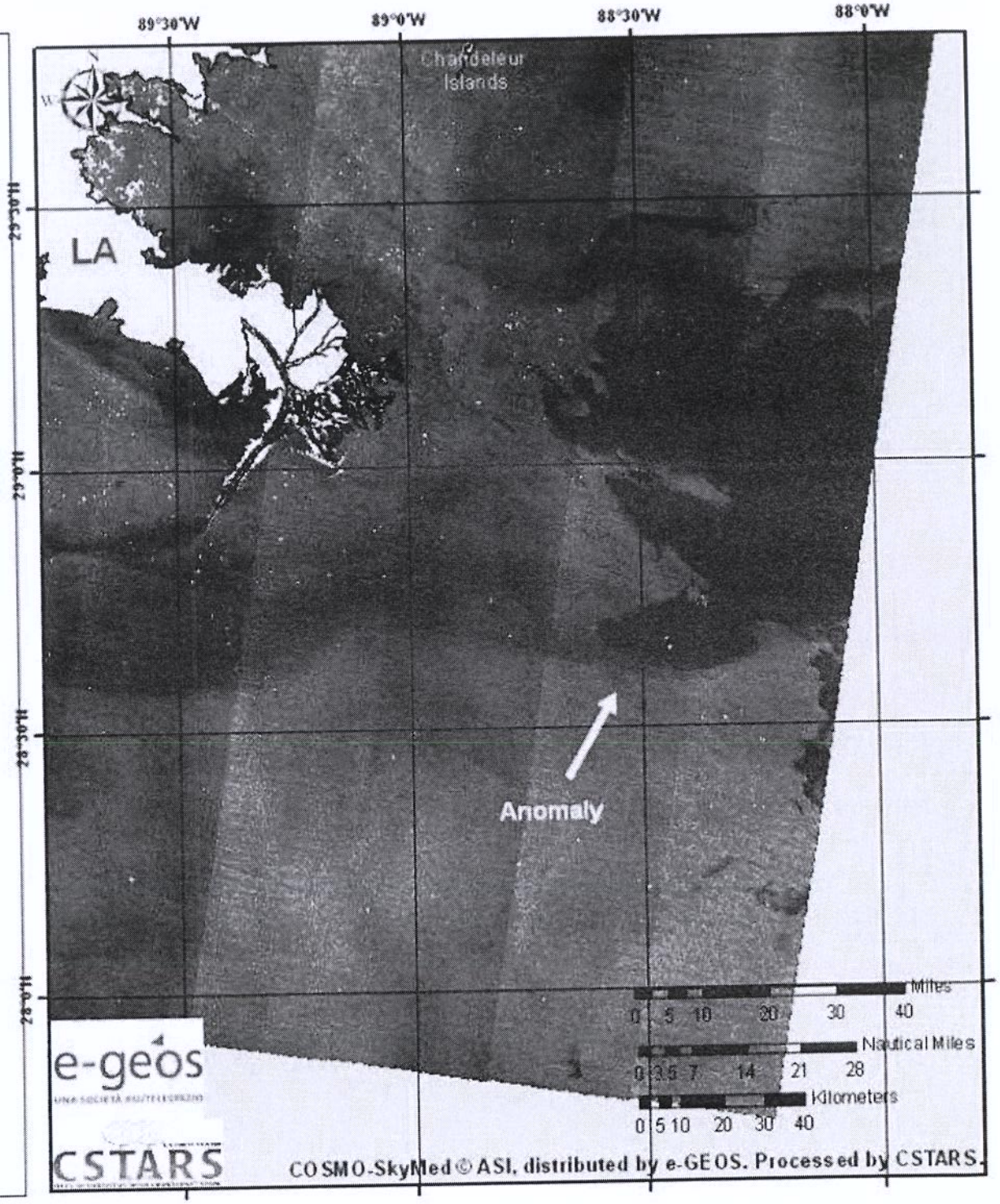

EXPERIMENTAL MARINE POLLUTION SURVEILLANCE REPORT

Analysis Provided by: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/National Environmental Satellite, Data and Information Service (NOAA/NESDIS)

REPORT DATE: MAY 12, 2010
REPORT TIME: 0145Z (2045 CDT)
ANALYST: LIDDICK

DATA SOURCE: COSMO SKYMED
MODE: SCANSAR, VV
RESOLUTION: 30 METER
IMAGE DATE/TIME: 05/11/2010 2357Z (1857 CDT)

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Anomaly

Location of Deepwater Horizon Platform: [28°44'12" N / 88°23'14" W]

NA km² — Estimated Area of Anomaly

REMARKS:

LARGE ANOMALY LOCATED NEAR THE DEEPWATER HORIZON SITE WITH SMALLER SLICKS LOCATED CLOSER TO THE COAST AND NEAR THE CHANDELEUR ISLANDS. LONGER STREAKS NOTED NEAR THE GARDEN ISLAND AND REDFIST BAYS AS WELL AS THE EAST BAY IN SOUTHEAST LA.

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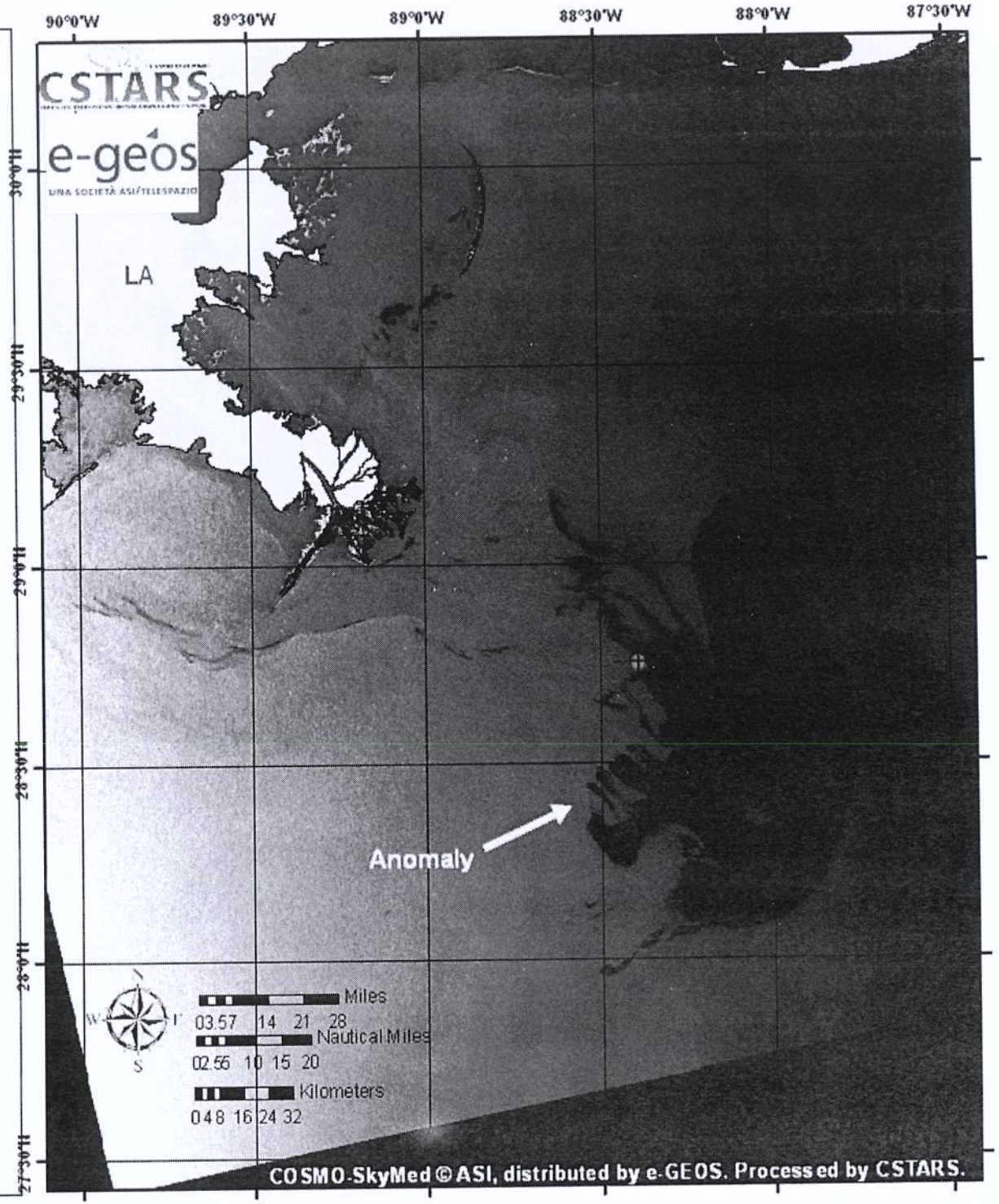

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REPORT DATE: May 12, 2010
REPORT TIME: 2120Z (1620 CDT)
ANALYST: EVANS

DATA SOURCE: ESA ENVISAT ASAR VV © ESA 2010
MODE: WIDE SWATH
RESOLUTION: 150 Meters
IMAGE DATE/TIME: 05/12/2010 1555Z (1055 CDT)

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Anomaly

Location of Deepwater Horizon Platform: [28°44'12" N / 88°23'14" W]

N/A Estimated Area of Anomaly

REMARKS:

Main oil slick is currently to the east of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill site, however numerous oil slicks are present to the west of the Chandeleur Islands. Also, smaller oil slicks can be seen in and around Timbalier Bay and Terrebonne Bay. Oil can be seen as far west as roughly 30 miles south of Caillou Bay. This image does not extend any further west so there is a possibility of oil being west of 91° W.

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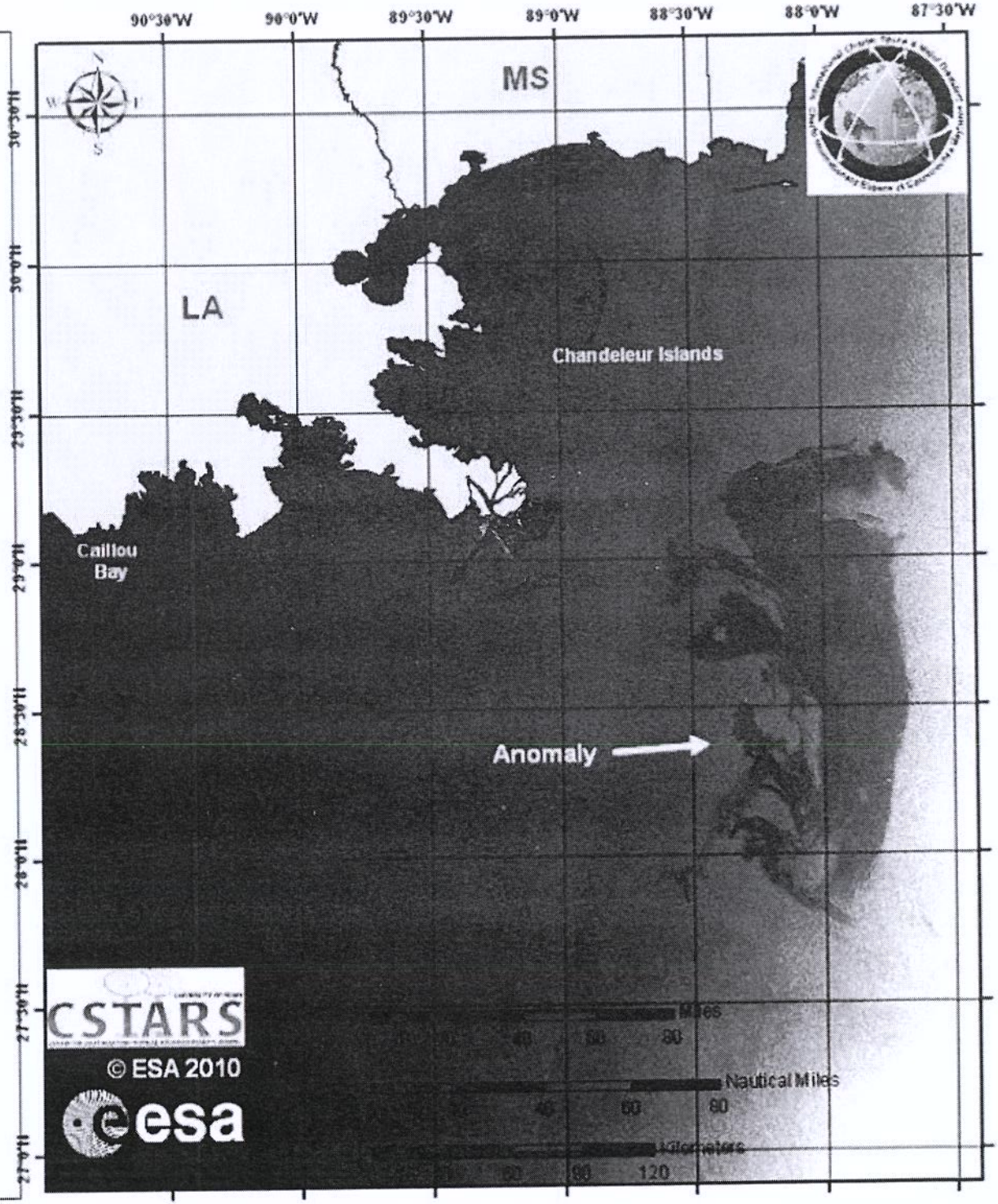

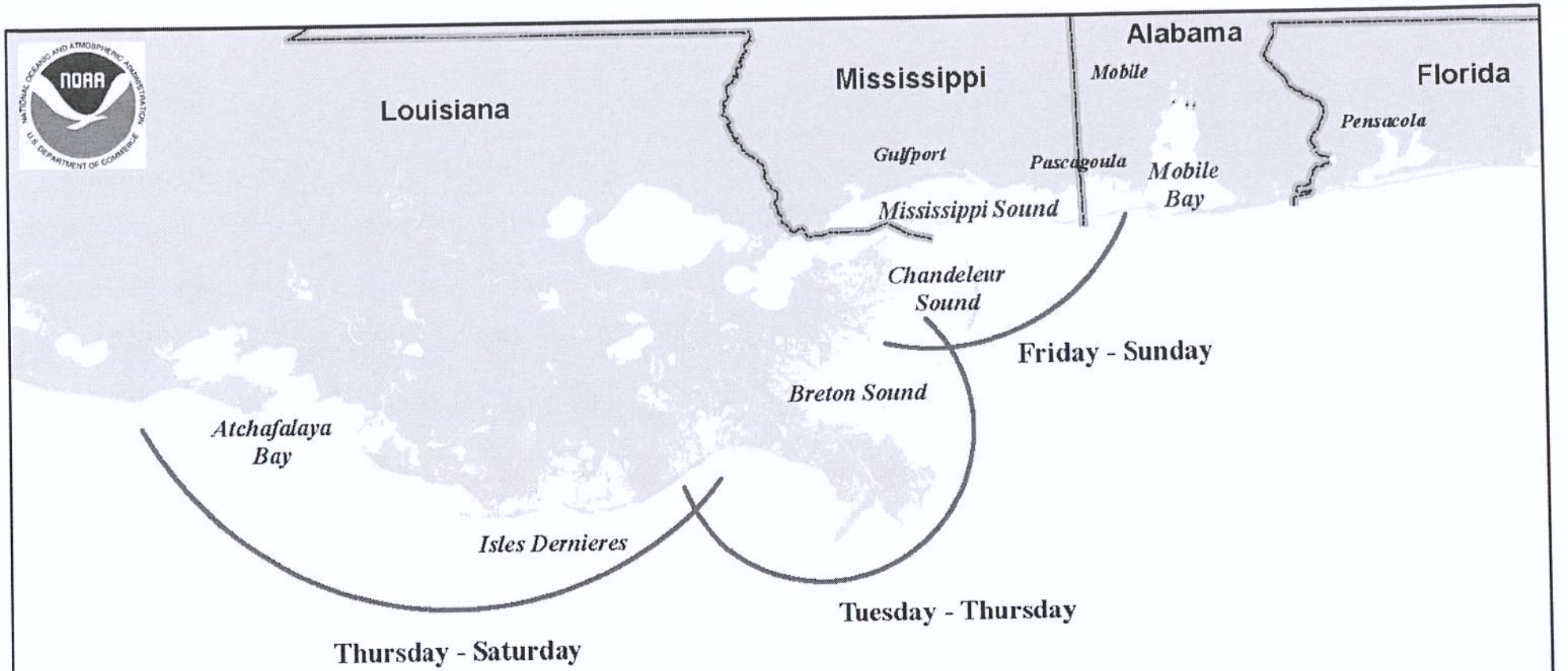

Shoreline Impact Outlook

Prepared Tuesday May 11, 2010

This map delineates threatened shorelines for the period of May 12th - May 15th 2010. With the expected winds from the SE for the rest of the week, we expect oil to be driven into the Delta, Breton Sound, and Chandelier Sound for the rest of the week. If the patches of oil to the west persist, it could result in tarball impacts from Timbalier Bay to Achafalya Bay. Scattered tarballs which are not observable from reconnaissance overlights may impact shoreline ahead of the indicated dates.

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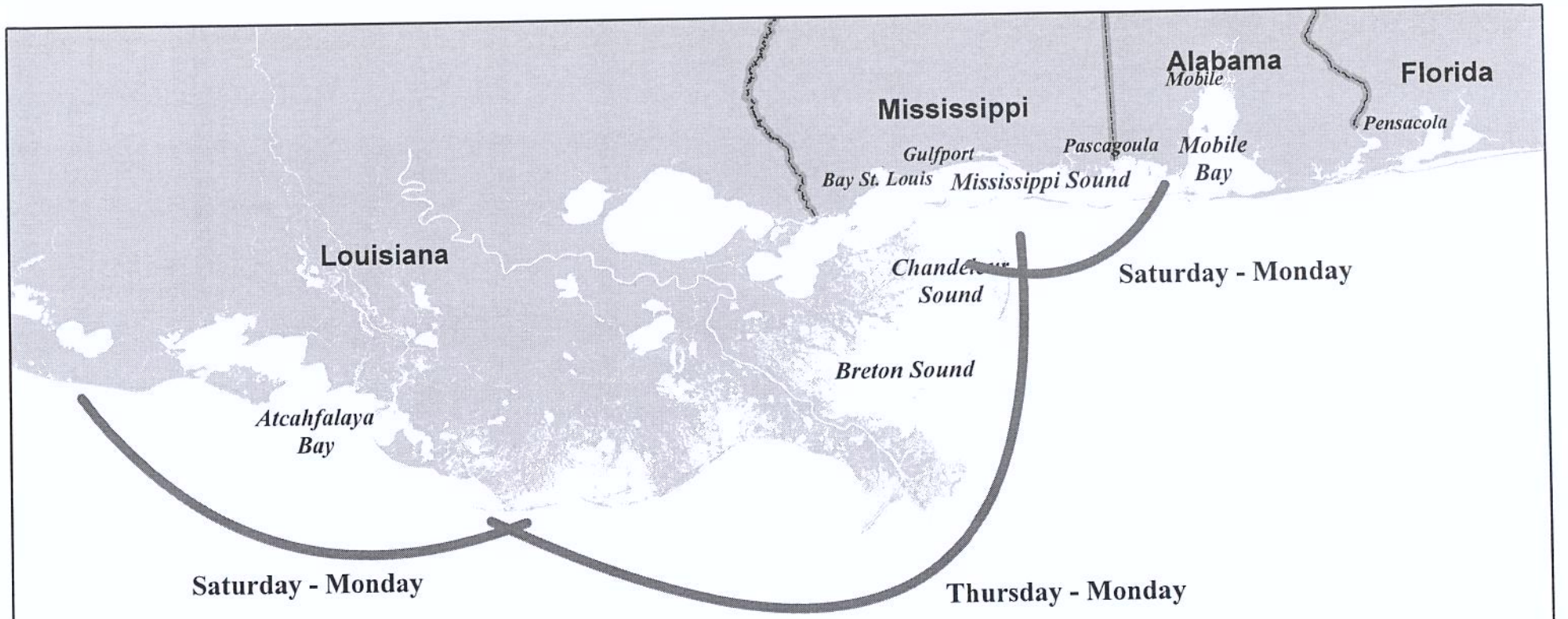

Shoreline Impact Outlook

Prepared Wednesday, May 12, 2010

This map delineates threatened shorelines for the period of May 13-17. Winds are forecast to have a Southeast component this week. Because of the continuous leak at the source, there is potential to impact areas multiple times. Scattered tarballs which are not observable from overflight may impact shorelines ahead of the indicated dates. Forecasting beyond three days has greater uncertainty as to potential impacts.

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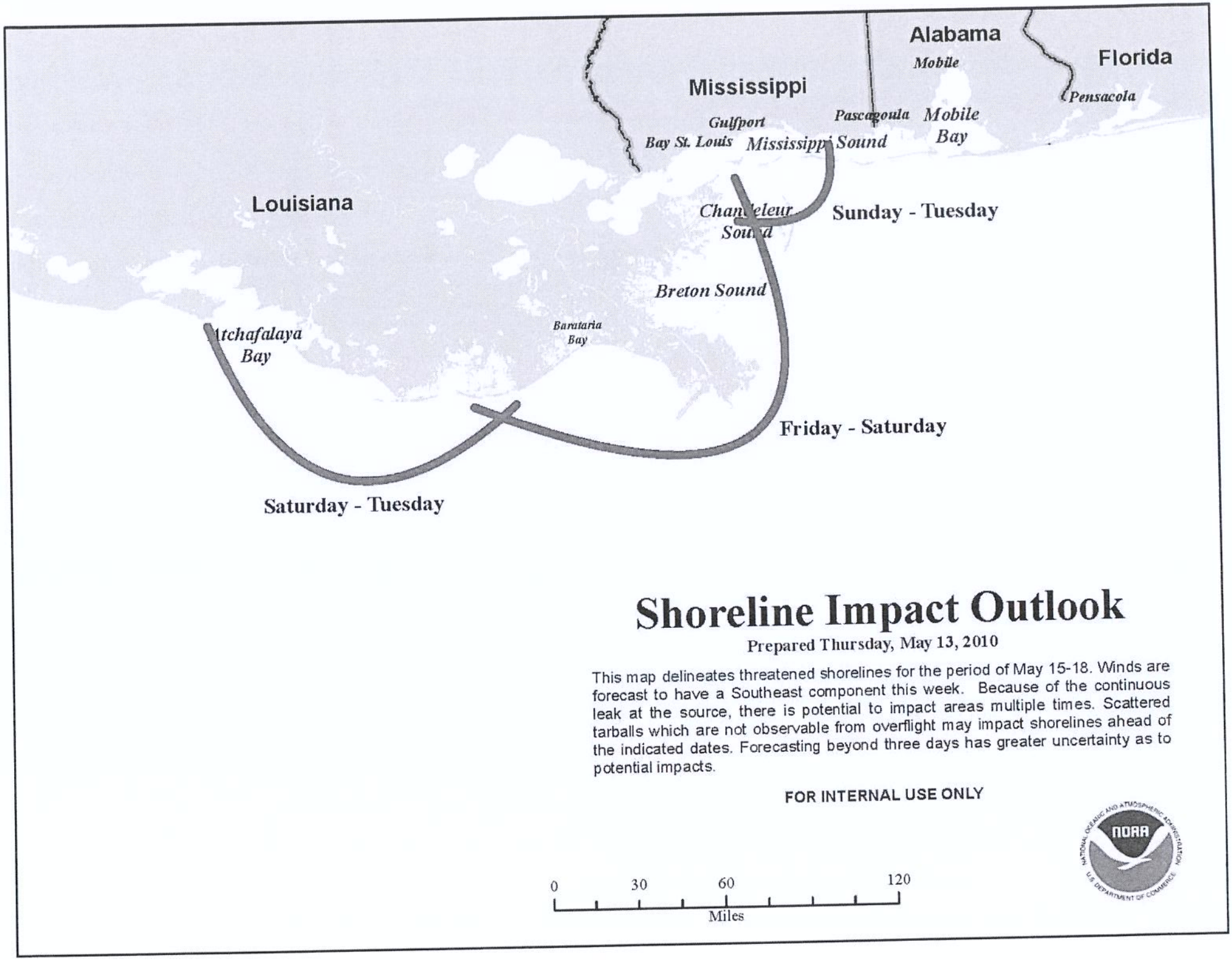
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Pascagoula
Mobile Bay
Bay St. Louis
Mississippi Sound
Louisiana
Chandeleur Sound
Sunday - Tuesday
Breton Sound
Barataria Bay
Atchafalaya Bay
Friday - Saturday
Saturday - Tuesday
Shoreline Impact Outlook
Prepared Thursday, May 13, 2010
This map delineates threatened shorelines for the period of May 15-18. Winds are forecast to have a Southeast component this week. Because of the continuous leak at the source, there is potential to impact areas multiple times. Scattered tarballs which are not observable from overflight may impact shorelines ahead of the indicated dates. Forecasting beyond three days has greater uncertainty as to potential impacts.
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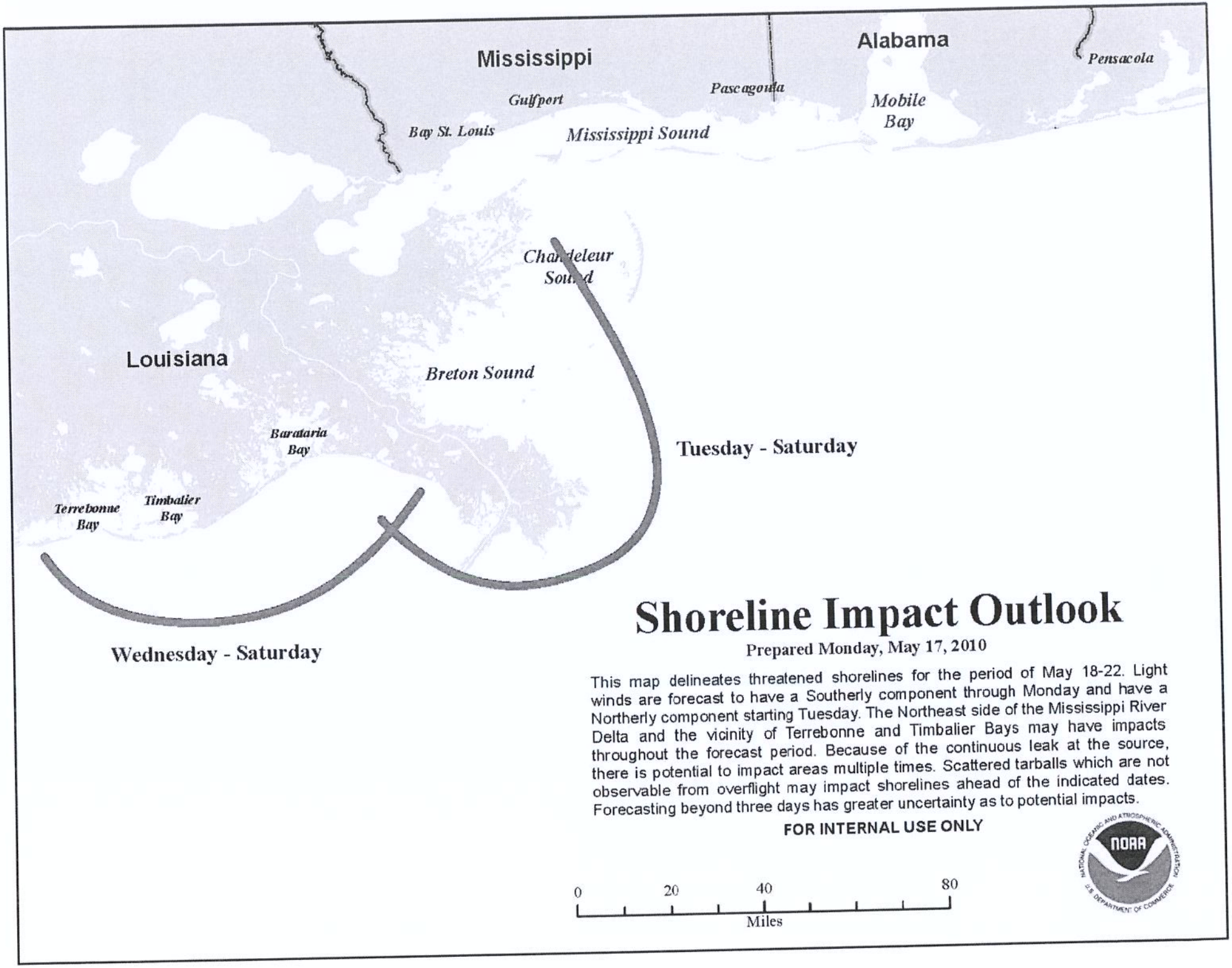
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Pascagoula
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Bay St. Louis
Mississippi Sound
Chandeleur Sound
Louisiana
Breton Sound
Barataria Bay
Tuesday - Saturday
Terrebonne Bay
Timbalier Bay
Wednesday - Saturday
Shoreline Impact Outlook
Prepared Monday, May 17, 2010
This map delineates threatened shorelines for the period of May 18-22. Light winds are forecast to have a Southerly component through Monday and have a Northerly component starting Tuesday. The Northeast side of the Mississippi River Delta and the vicinity of Terrebonne and Timbalier Bays may have impacts throughout the forecast period. Because of the continuous leak at the source, there is potential to impact areas multiple times. Scattered tarballs which are not observable from overflight may impact shorelines ahead of the indicated dates. Forecasting beyond three days has greater uncertainty as to potential impacts.
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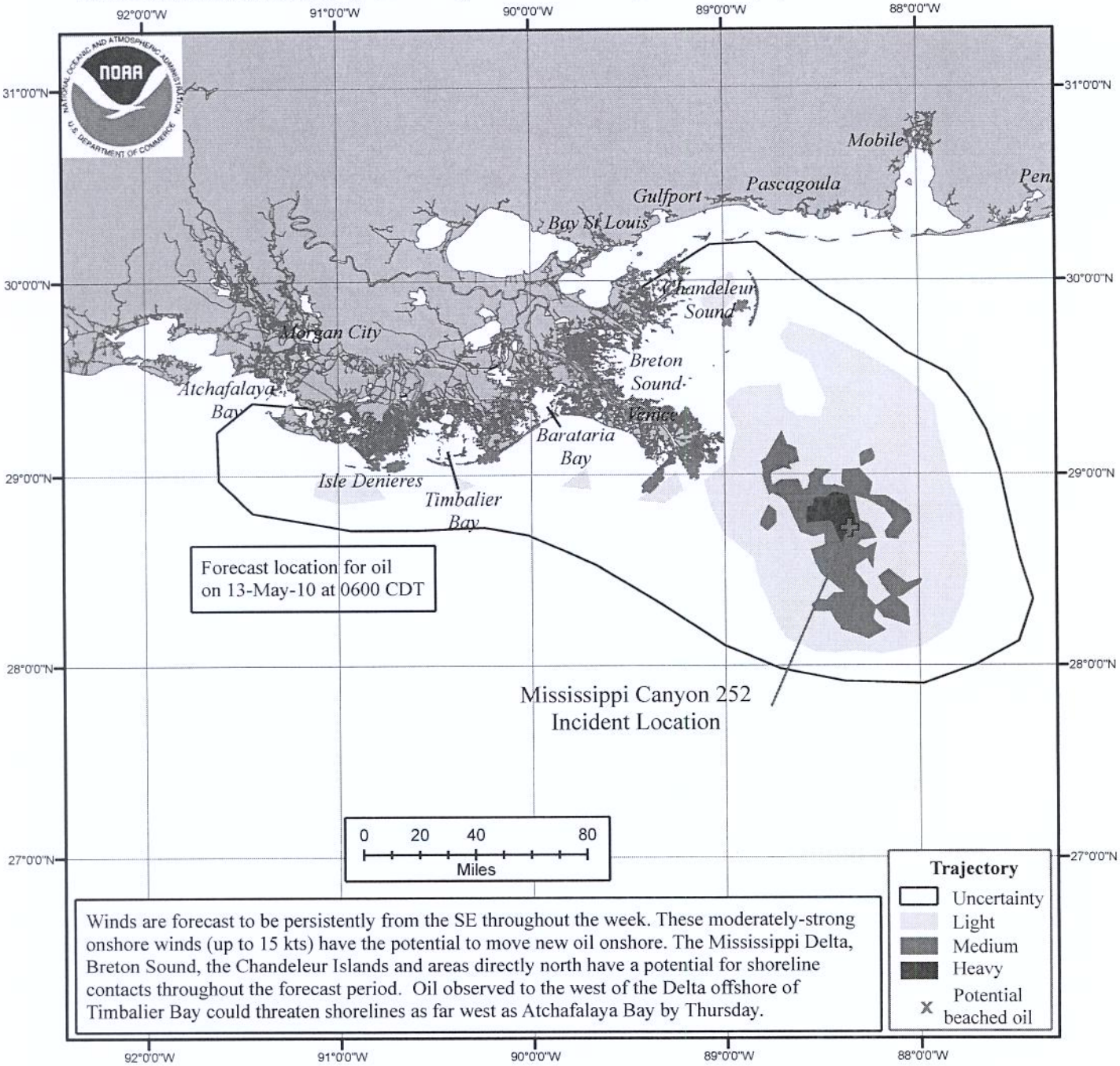
Trajectory Forecast
Mississippi Canyon 252

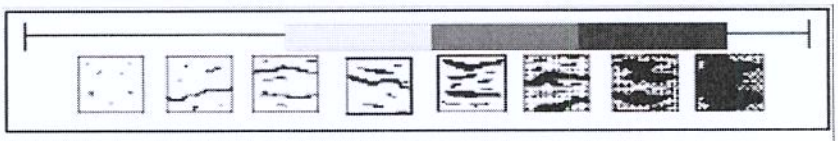
NOAA/NOS/OR&R

Estimate for: 0600 CDT, Thursday, 5/13/10
Date Prepared: 1300 CDT, Wednesday, 5/12/10

This forecast is based on the NWS spot forecast from Wednesday, May 12 AM. Currents were obtained from several models (NOAA Gulf of Mexico, West Florida Shelf/USF, Texas A&M/TGLO, NAVO/NRL) and HFR measurements. The model was initialized from Wednesday AM satellite imagery analysis (NOAA/NESDIS) and overflight observations. The leading edge may contain tarballs that are not readily observable from the imagery (hence not included in the model initialization). Oil near bay inlets could be brought into that bay by local tidal currents.



Winds are forecast to be persistently from the SE throughout the week. These moderately-strong onshore winds (up to 15 kts) have the potential to move new oil onshore. The Mississippi Delta, Breton Sound, the Chandeleur Islands and areas directly north have a potential for shoreline contacts throughout the forecast period. Oil observed to the west of the Delta offshore of Timbalier Bay could threaten shorelines as far west as Atchafalaya Bay by Thursday.



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Next Forecast: May 13th AM

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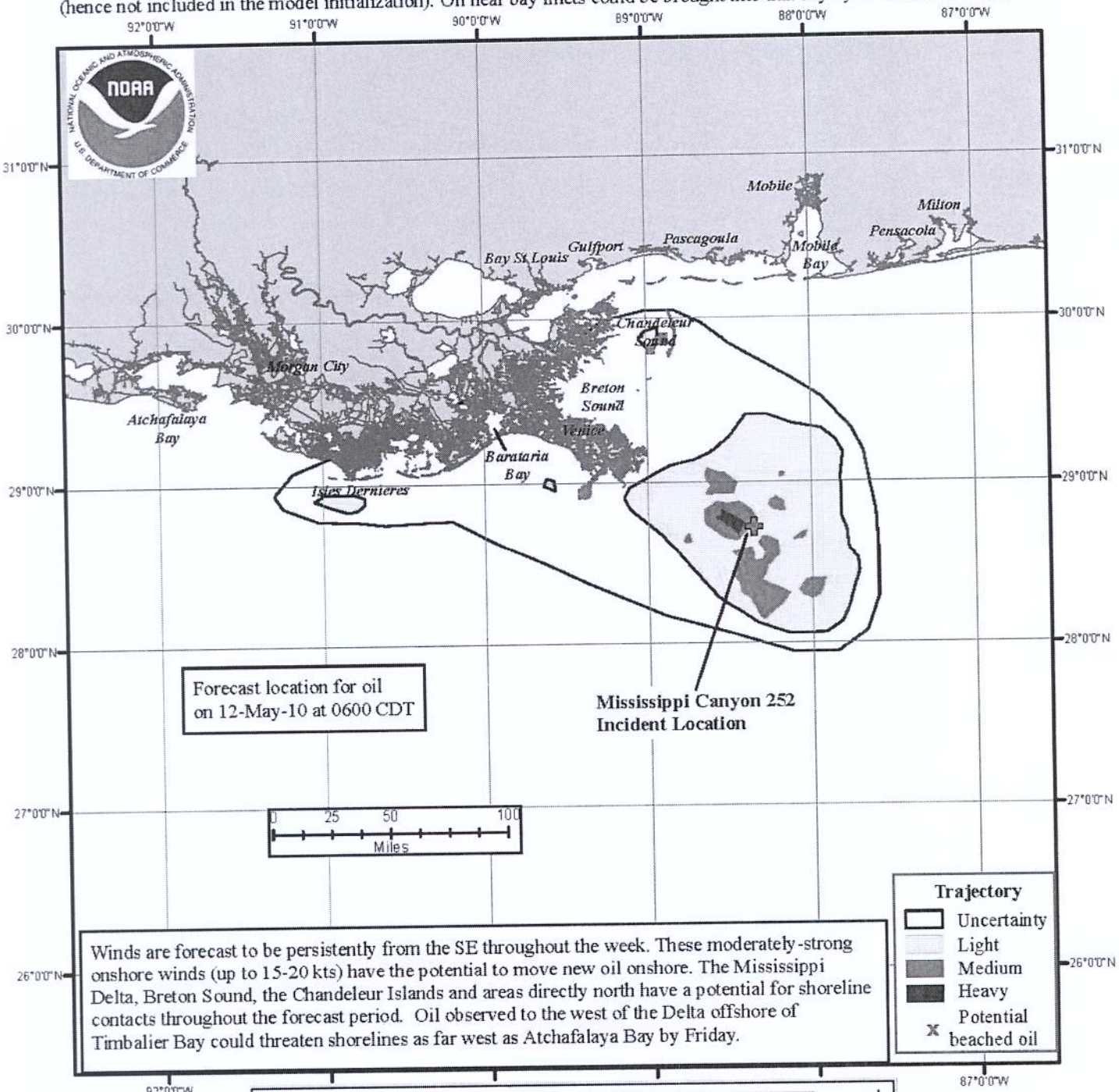

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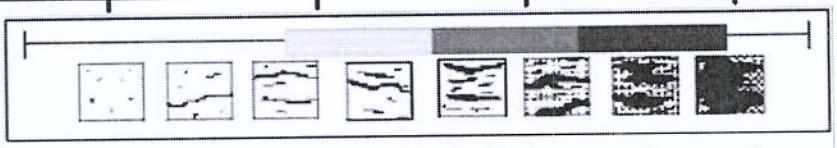

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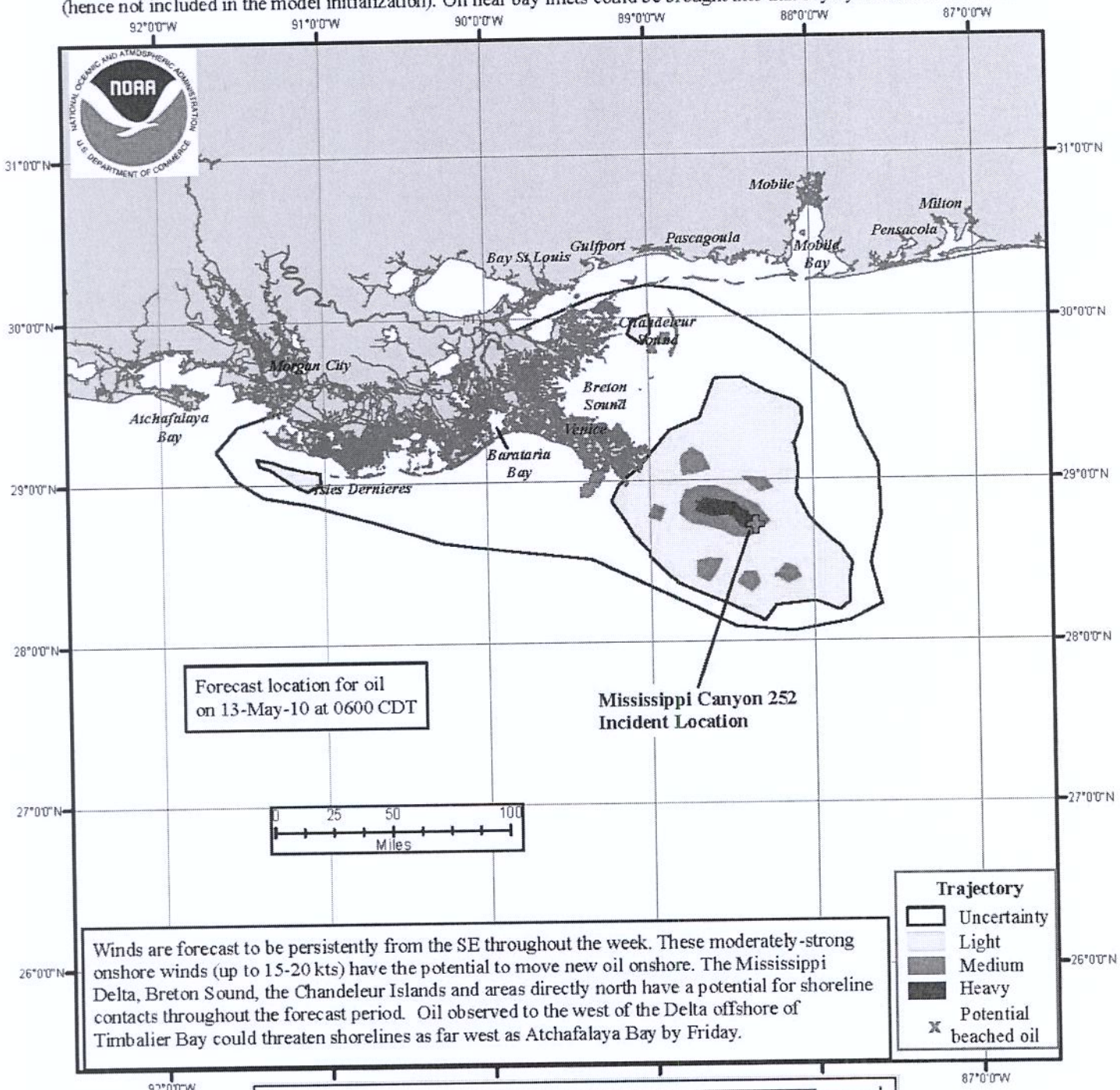

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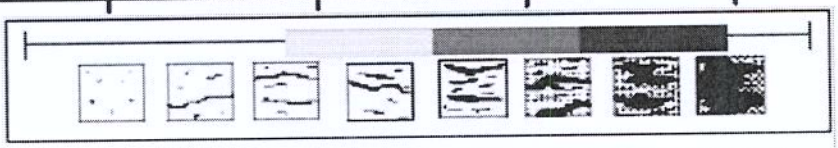

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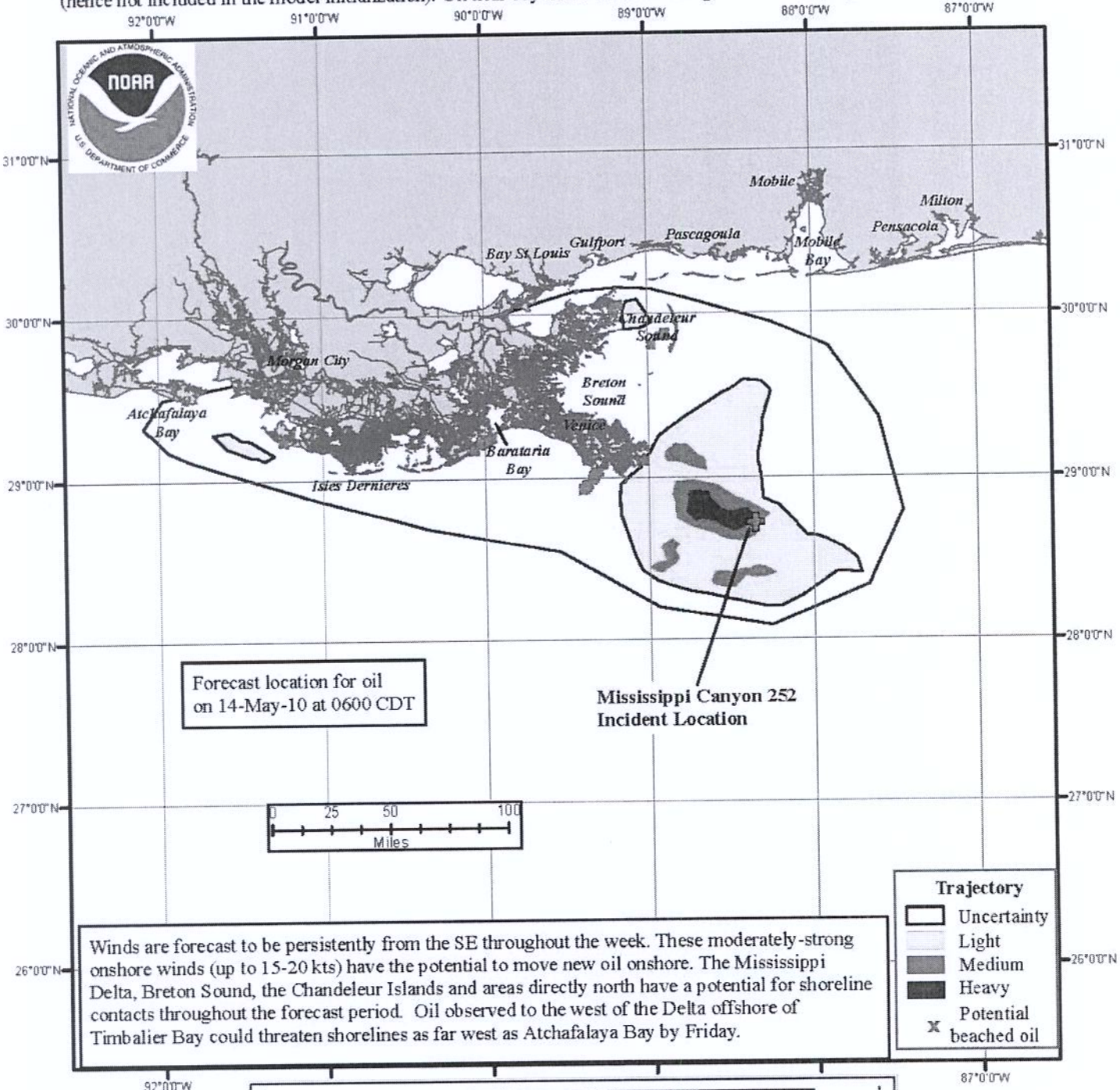

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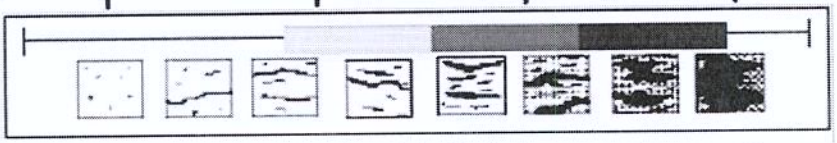

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Date Prepared: 1300 CDT, Wednesday, 5/12/10

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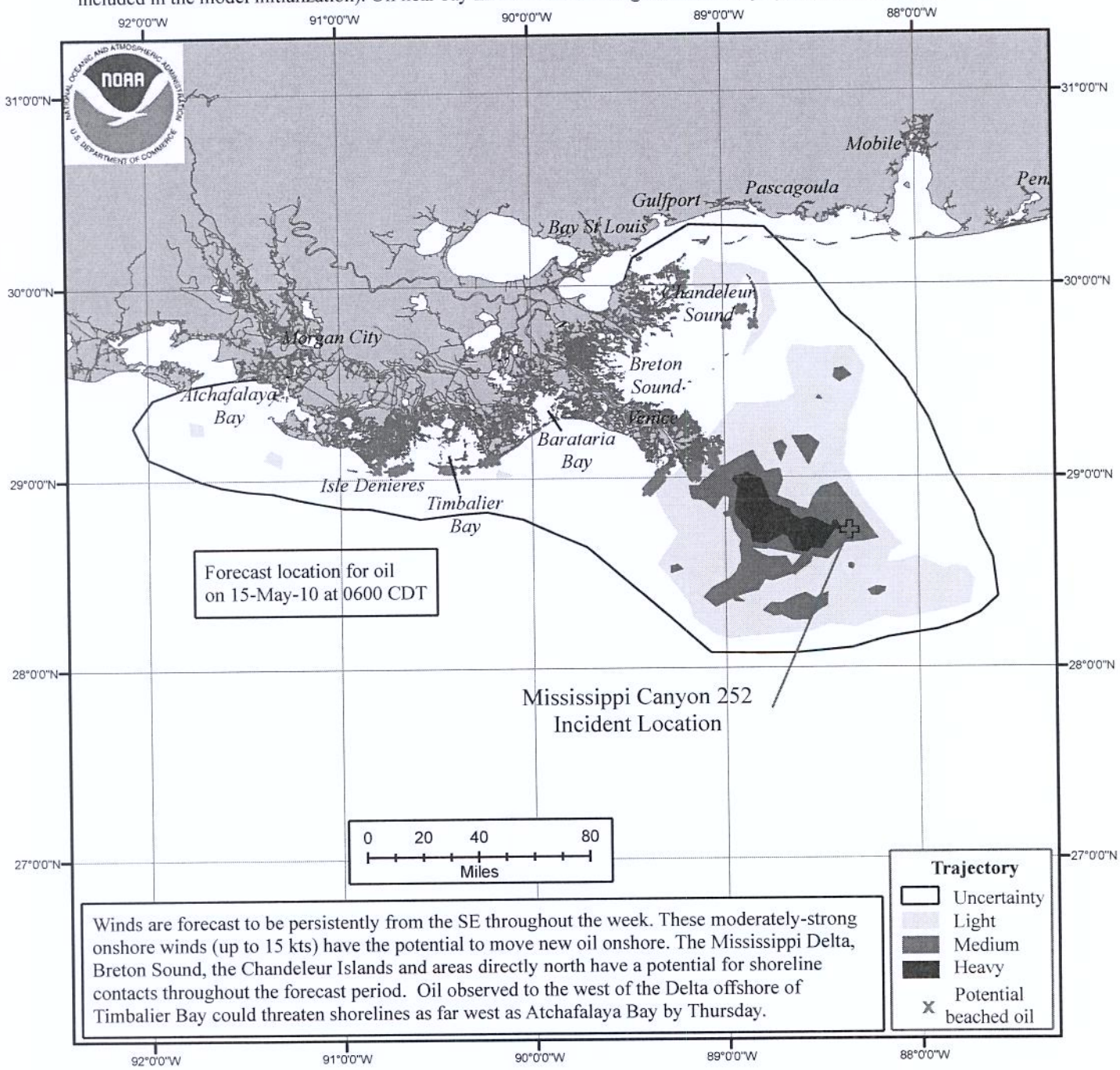

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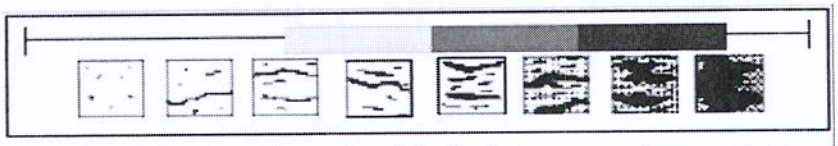

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Date Prepared: 1300 CDT, Wednesday, 5/12/10

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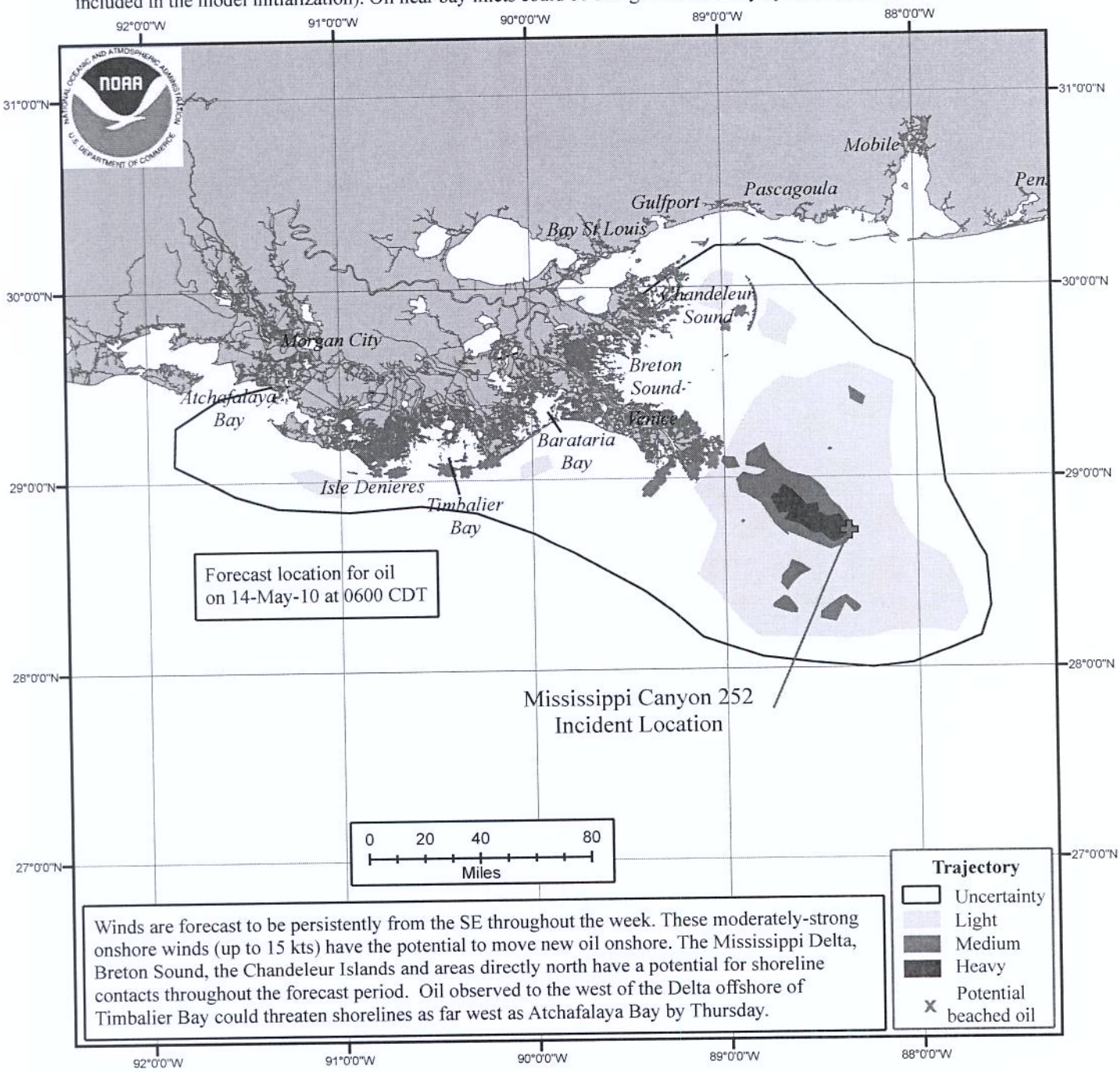
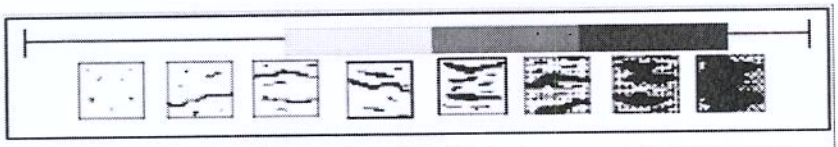


Winds are forecast to be persistently from the SE throughout the week. These moderately-strong onshore winds (up to 15 kts) have the potential to move new oil onshore. The Mississippi Delta, Breton Sound, the Chandeleur Islands and areas directly north have a potential for shoreline contacts throughout the forecast period. Oil observed to the west of the Delta offshore of Timbalier Bay could threaten shorelines as far west as Atchafalaya Bay by Thursday.



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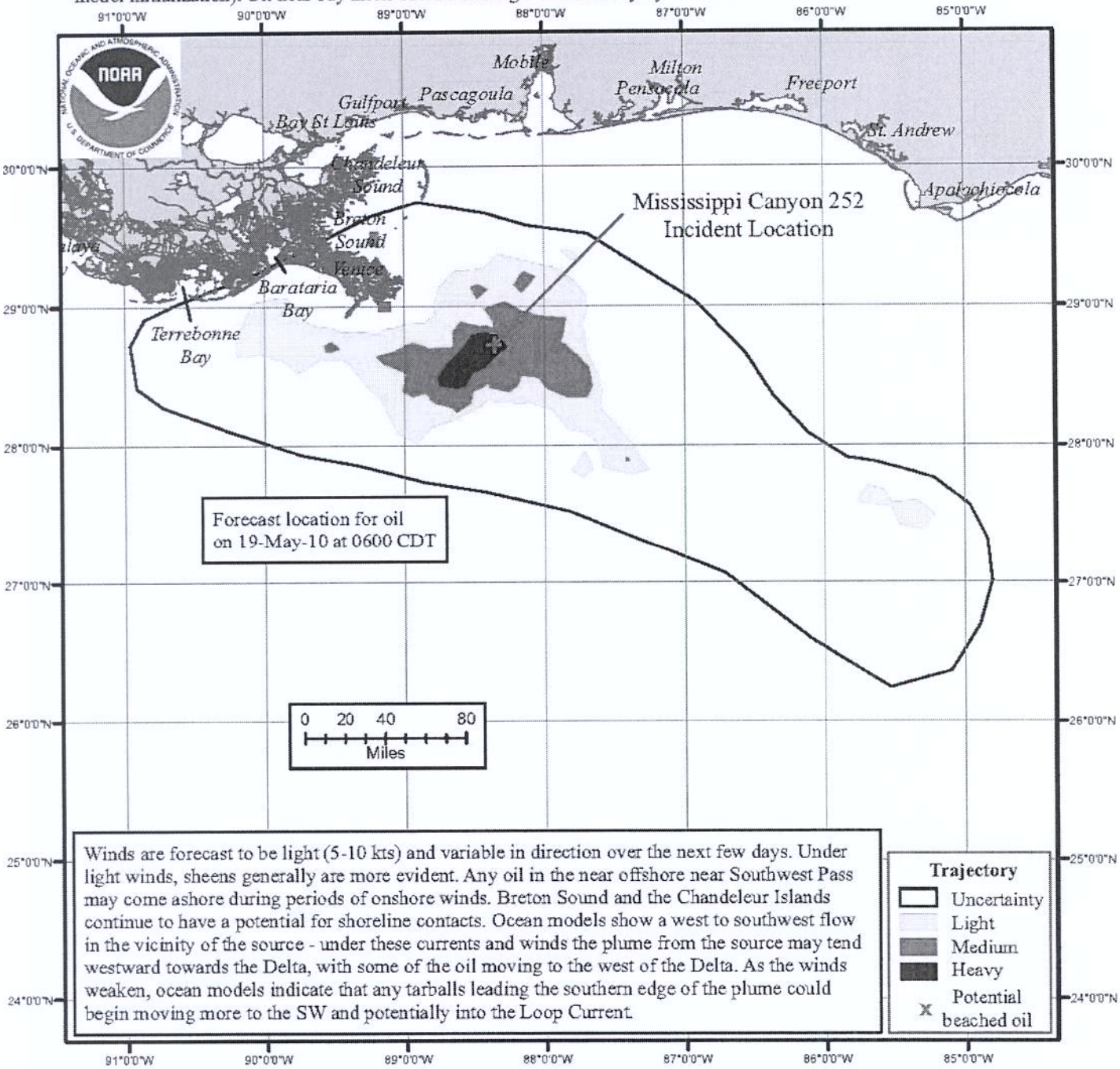
Next Forecast: May 13th AM

Trajectory Forecast
Mississippi Canyon 252

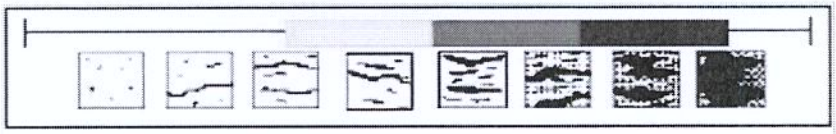
NOAA/NOS/OR&R

Estimate for: 0600 CDT, Wednesday, 5/19/10
Date Prepared: 1300 CDT, Monday, 5/17/10

This forecast is based on the NWS spot forecast from Monday, May 17 AM. Currents were obtained from several models (NOAA Gulf of Mexico, West Florida Shelf/USF, Texas A&M/TGLO, NAVO/NRL) and HFR measurements. The model was initialized from Sunday PM satellite imagery analysis (NOAA/NESDIS) and overflight observations. The leading edge may contain tarballs that are not readily observable from the imagery (hence not included in the model initialization). Oil near bay inlets could be brought into that bay by local tidal currents.



Winds are forecast to be light (5-10 kts) and variable in direction over the next few days. Under light winds, sheens generally are more evident. Any oil in the near offshore near Southwest Pass may come ashore during periods of onshore winds. Breton Sound and the Chandeleur Islands continue to have a potential for shoreline contacts. Ocean models show a west to southwest flow in the vicinity of the source - under these currents and winds the plume from the source may tend westward towards the Delta, with some of the oil moving to the west of the Delta. As the winds weaken, ocean models indicate that any tarballs leading the southern edge of the plume could begin moving more to the SW and potentially into the Loop Current.



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Trajectory Forecast
Mississippi Canyon 252

NOAA/NOS/OR&R

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Date Prepared: 1300 CDT, Monday, 5/17/10

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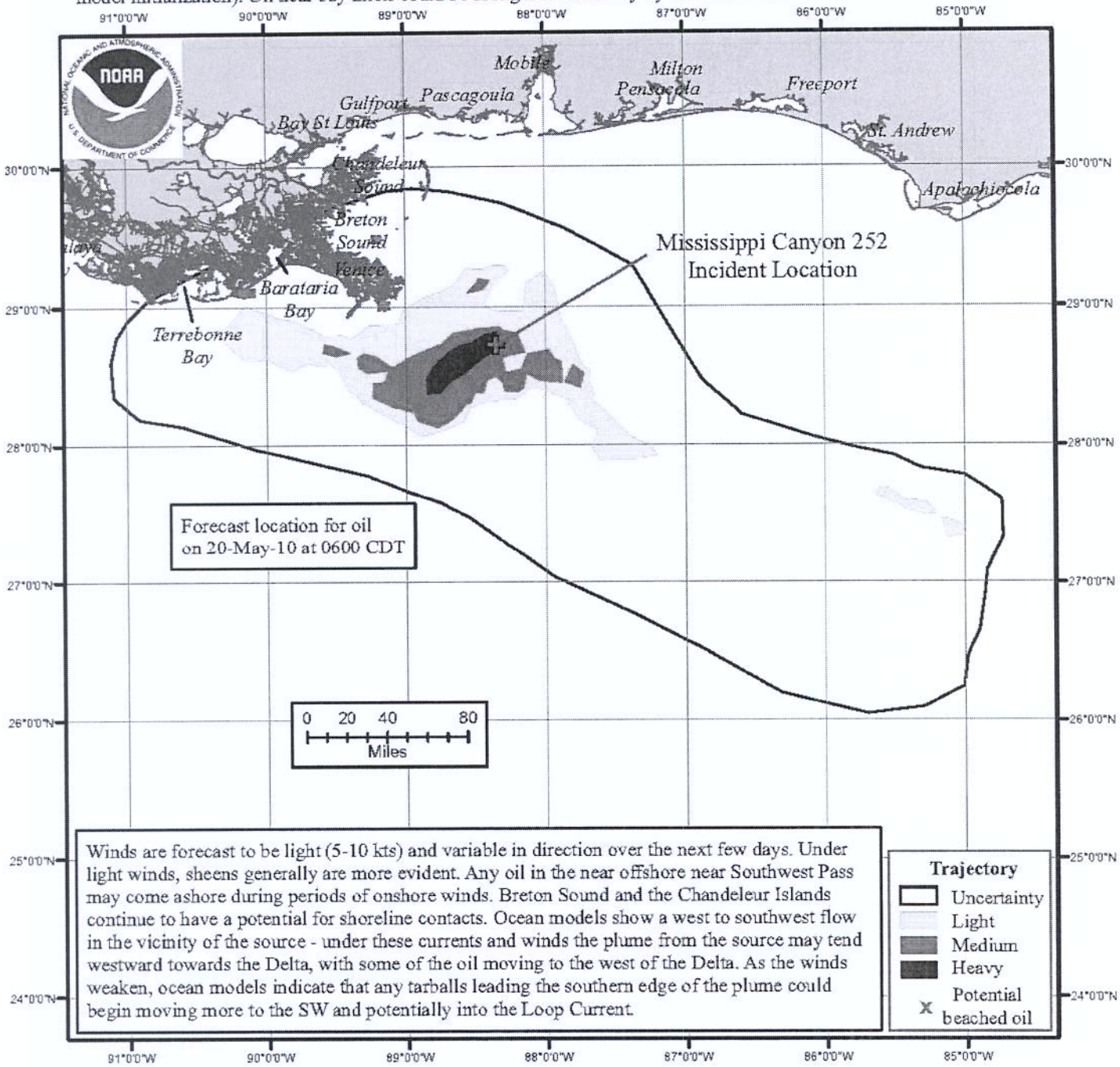

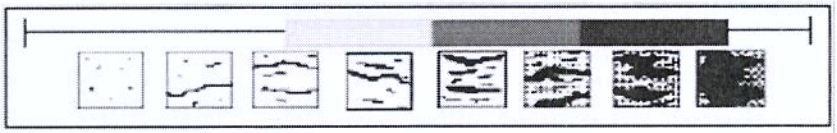

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Trajectory Forecast Mississippi Canyon 252

NOAA/NOS/OR&R

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Date Prepared: 1300 CDT, Monday, 5/17/10

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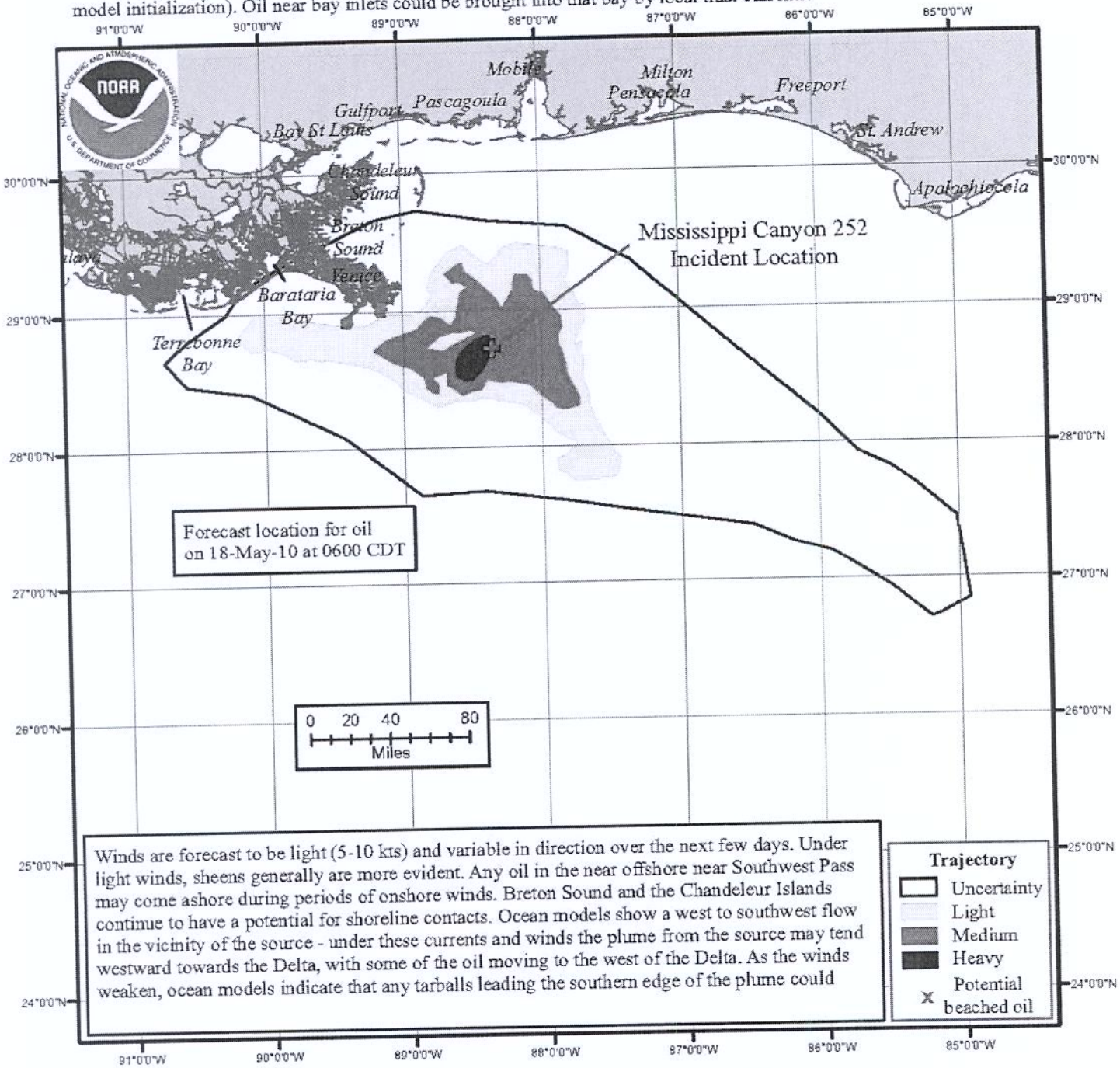

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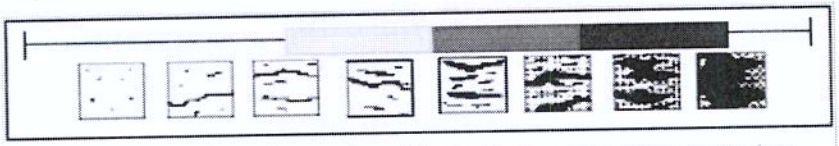

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EXPERIMENTAL MARINE POLLUTION SURVEILLANCE REPORT

Analysis Provided by: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/National Environmental Satellite, Data and Information Service (NOAA/NESDIS)

REPORT DATE: May 18, 2010
REPORT TIME: 0230Z (2130 CDT)
ANALYST: SPAMPATA

DATA SOURCE: ENVISAT MERIS © ESA 2010
MODE: VISIBLE
IMAGE DATE/TIME: 05/17/2010 1636Z (1136 CDT)

Legend

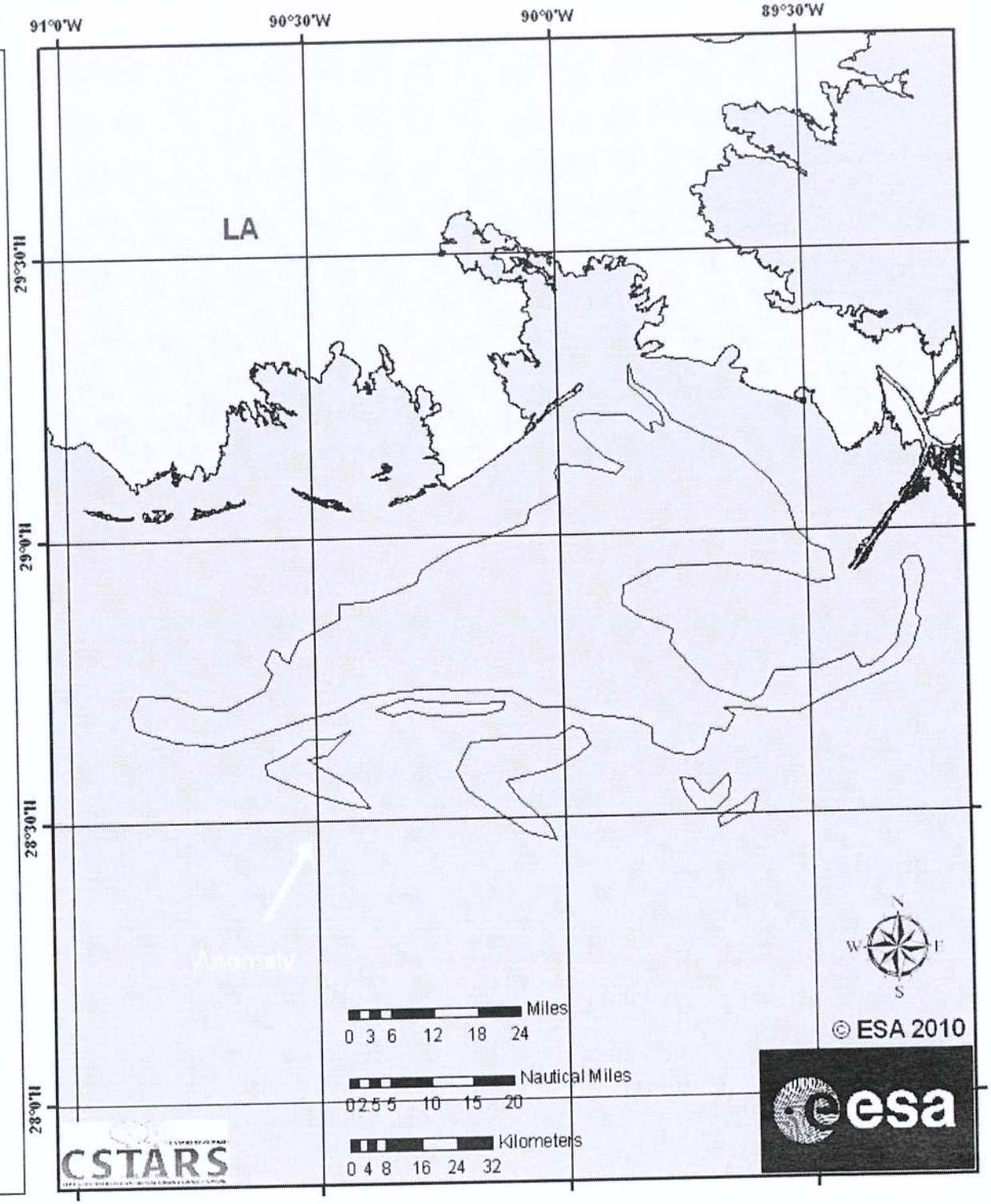
Anomaly

Location of Deepwater Horizon Platform: [28°44'12" N / 88°23'14" W]

REMARKS:

This visible image from late morning shows the western extent of the oil slick. The southern extent of the slick shown in this image appears very thin and wispy. There are also some thin clouds in the area obscuring the boundary.

This is an experimental product of the Satellite Analysis Branch and not operationally maintained. We will do our best to make it available in a timely manner.



Trajectory Forecast
Mississippi Canyon 252

NOAA/NOS/OR&R

Estimate for: 1800 CDT, Friday, 5/14/10

Date Prepared: 2000 CDT, Thursday, 5/13/10

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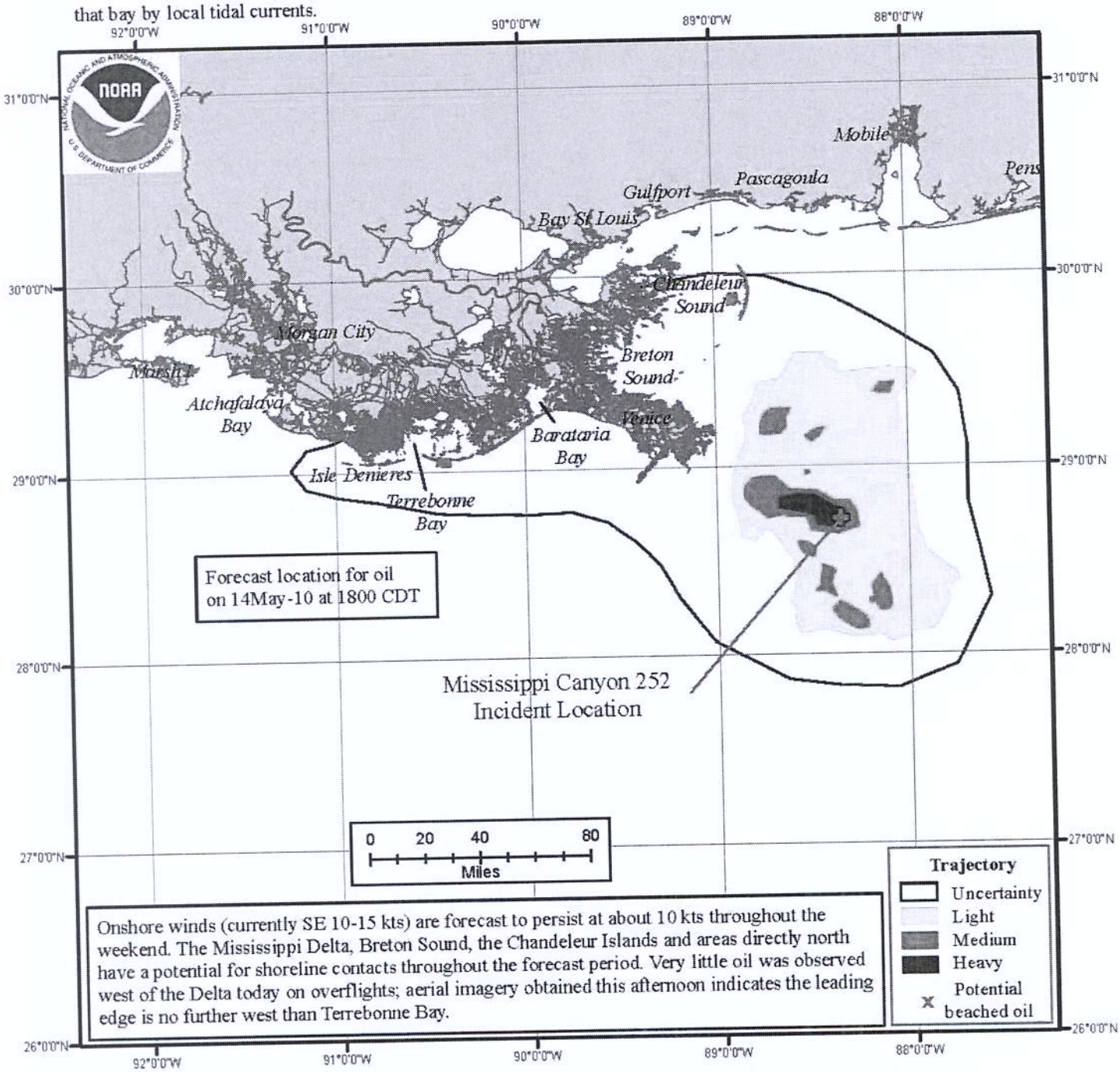

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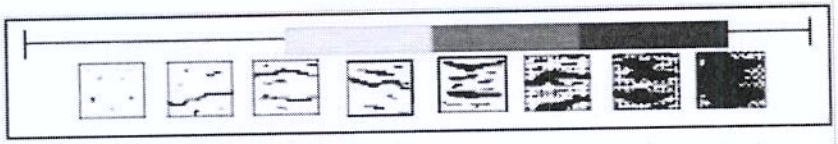

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Next Forecast: May 14th PM

Trajectory Forecast
Mississippi Canyon 252

NOAA/NOS/OR&R

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Date Prepared: 2000 CDT, Thursday, 5/13/10

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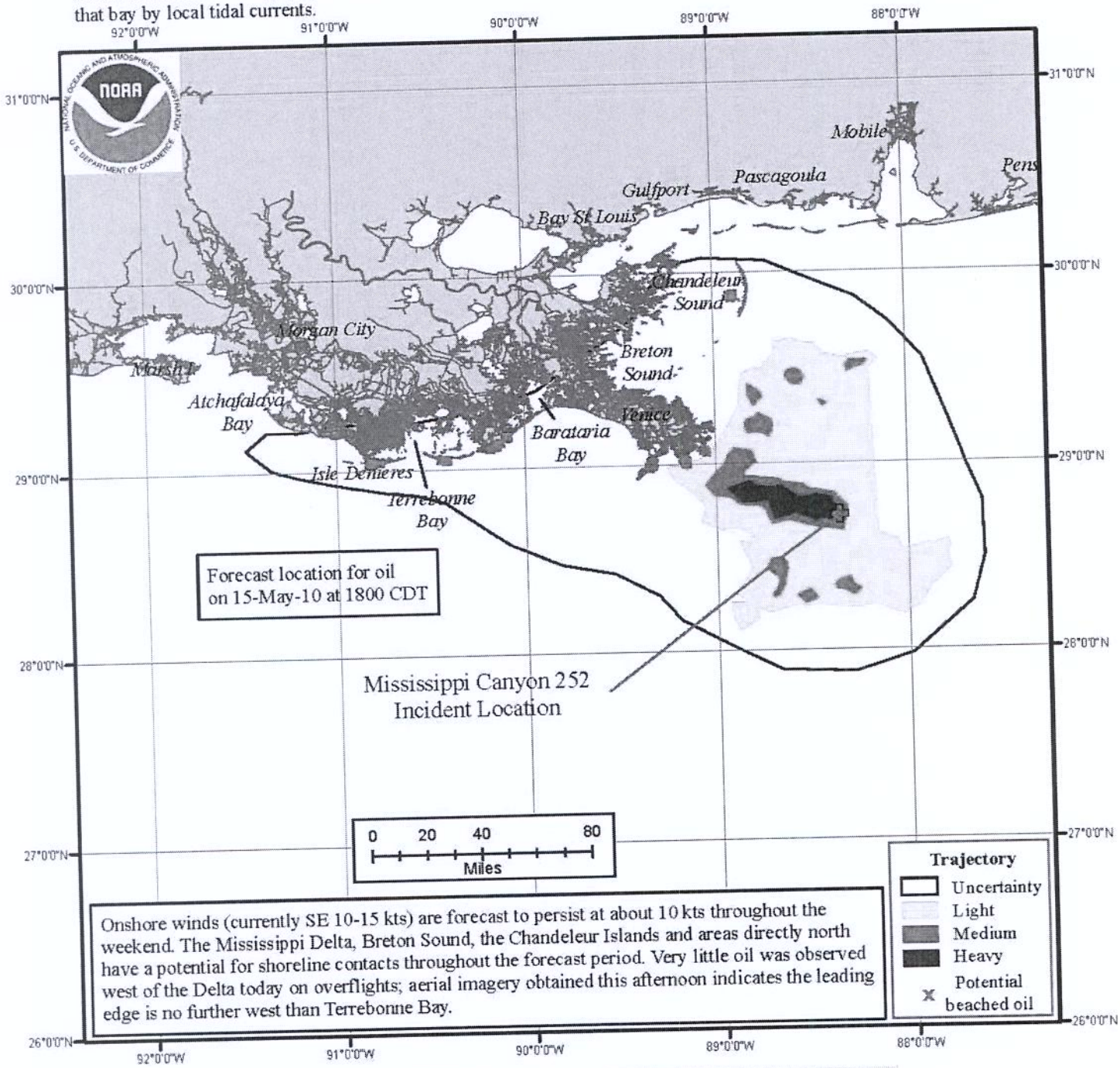

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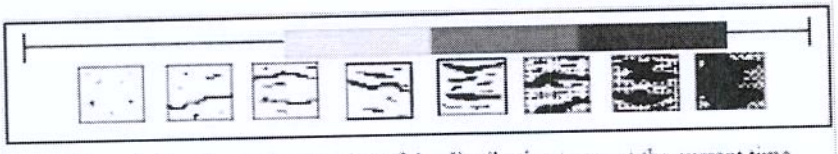

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Next Forecast: May 14th PM

Trajectory Forecast
Mississippi Canyon 252

NOAA/NOS/OR&R

Estimate for: 1800 CDT, Sunday, 5/16/10

Date Prepared: 2000 CDT, Thursday, 5/13/10

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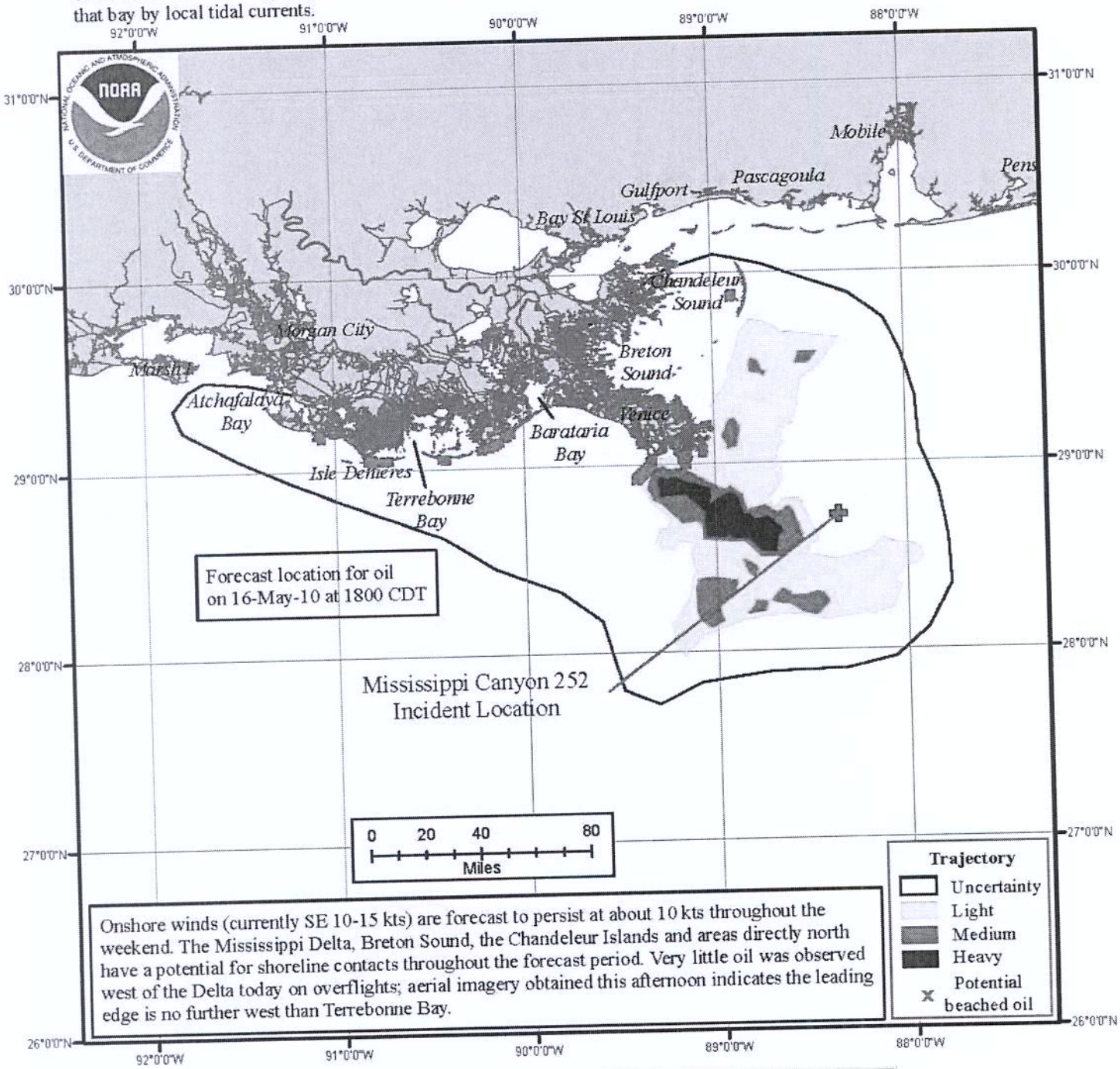

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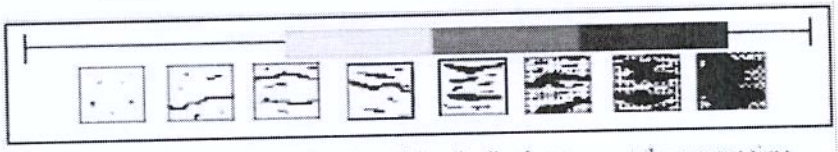

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One dispersant aircraft made five passes over the east side of the oil slick yesterday afternoon, 22APR10. 1900 gallons of Corexit 9527 was applied to a preidentified area. Visual observations after the application looked promising that the dispersant was quite effective. SMART Tier 1 and Tier 2 were on-scene. Overflights this morning will confirm the efficacy and update slick information. Photos have been added and additional information will be posted as it becomes available.You are user cg.hq with Responder permissions. [Logout]

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