


Memorandum



Date: August 25, 2010

To: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss and Members
Board of County Commissioners

From: George M. Burrows
County Manager 

Subject: County's Oil Spill Response Plan

Every indicator now suggests that South Florida will not be impacted by the oil spill from Deepwater Horizon in the Gulf of Mexico, but Miami-Dade County is continuing to monitor the situation closely. Even if we are fortunate enough to avoid any damage from the spill, the incident presented an important opportunity to develop and refine plans. We clearly need to be able to take a leadership role in protecting our coastline while acknowledging and working collaboratively within the national chain of command for responding to such a crisis. As such, the Department of Emergency Management (DEM) has developed the Volunteer Recruitment, Training and Utilization Plan (Plan) that incorporates the requirements of Resolution R-689-10 and various directives from the Board of County Commissioners given at the July 15 BCC meeting, should a similar situation ever threaten our shores. The plan is based on the assumption that the federal and state agencies will not respond in a timely manner and/or require Miami-Dade County's assistance if oil product from the Deepwater Horizon Incident were to impact South Florida beaches.

To specifically address the directive of using high school seniors as volunteers for the clean-up efforts as well as inmates under the supervision of the Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department (MDCR), the plan calls for pre-impact beach cleanups (similar to the Department of Environmental Resource Management's (DERM) Baynanza model) and an impacted beach cleanup when oil spill products do reach our shores (see page two of the plan). DEM will notify the Miami-Dade Schools' community service coordinator with prospective dates for pre-impact beach cleanup so appropriate announcements and advertisements can be made. Student participants will be provided with community service certificates documenting the amount of participant hours provided. If needed, the plan also includes the MDCR department sentenced inmates to support pre-impact beach cleanup operations. DEM will advise of the number of inmates and or teams required and the locations for deployment.

The third directive requesting that preference be given to unemployed Miami-Dade County residents for paid cleanup efforts lead by British Petroleum (BP) is addressed on page nine of the executive summary portion of the plan. In the unlikely event that South Florida were to be significantly impacted by the oil spill, BP would implement the Qualified Community Responder Program (QCR) locally; and Miami-Dade County residents seeking local employment opportunities related to Deepwater Horizon will be given preference over out-of-County workers. BP is working in conjunction with Florida's unemployment agencies to identify individuals who want to be trained to help prevent, respond to and mitigate the impacts of oil contamination on the shoreline. Our local agency, the South Florida Workforce has already been contacted by BP. Should oil reach Miami-Dade County, training will be offered to those interested in order to be prepared to respond and protect local beaches.

A link has been created on the intranet to review Miami-Dade County's Deepwater Horizon Oil Response Plan - <http://intra.miamidadecounty.gov/reference/home.asp>. If you have any further concerns or

questions regarding the plan, please do not hesitate to contact me directly or DEM Director Curtis Sommerhoff at 305-468-5403.

c: Honorable Carlos Alvarez, Mayor
Alina T. Hudak, Assistant County Manager
Curtis Sommerhoff, Director, Department of Emergency Management
Carlos Espinosa, Director, Department of Environmental Resources Management
Tim Ryan, Director, Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department

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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(21)

TO: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

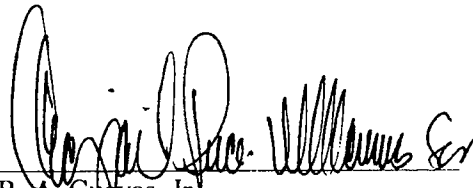
DATE: June 15, 2010

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the Mayor to
prepare a plan for the use of eligible
inmates in the custody of the Miami-
Dade County Department of
Corrections and Rehabilitation for
shoreline cleanup in the event oil
from the spill in the Gulf of Mexico
reaches the shores of the County

Resolution No. R-689-10

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Sally A. Heyman.



R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

RAC/cp



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
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County Attorney

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Please note any items checked.

- "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- Budget required
- Statement of fiscal impact required
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- No committee review
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____) to approve
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(21)
6-15-10

RESOLUTION NO. R-689-10

RESOLUTION DIRECTING MAYOR TO PREPARE A PLAN FOR THE USE OF ELIGIBLE INMATES IN THE CUSTODY OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION FOR SHORELINE CLEANUP IN THE EVENT OIL FROM THE SPILL IN THE GULF OF MEXICO REACHES THE SHORES OF THE COUNTY

WHEREAS, Sections 951.01 and 951.05 of the Florida Statutes authorize each county to “employ all persons in the jail of their respective counties under sentence upon conviction for a crime at labor upon projects for which the governing body of the county could otherwise lawfully expend public funds and which it determines to be necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the county”; and

WHEREAS, Section 925.08 of the Florida Statutes authorizes county commissioners to so employ pretrial detainees who are “charged with misdemeanor and confined in the county jail for failure to give bail” subject to certain requirements regarding hours (not more than 10 hours a day), compensation (\$5 per day if acquitted), record keeping, etc.; and

WHEREAS, the catastrophic and ongoing oil spill from the British Petroleum well field in the Gulf of Mexico poses a serious threat to the beaches and shoreline of Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, protection of the beaches and shoreline is essential to the economy and environment of Miami-Dade County and necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the county,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the County Mayor or Mayor's designee is directed to prepare a plan for the use of those eligible inmates in the custody of the Miami-Dade Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation who pose only a minimum security risk for shoreline cleanup in the event oil from the spill in the Gulf of Mexico reaches the shores of Miami-Dade County.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Sally A. Heyman. It was offered by Commissioner **Sally A. Heyman**, who moved its adoption.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Natacha Seijas** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

	Dennis C. Moss, Chairman	nay
	Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice-Chairman	nay
Bruno A. Barreiro		aye
Carlos A. Gimenez		aye
Barbara J. Jordan		nay
Dorrian D. Rolle		aye
Katy Sorenson		aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto		aye
	Audrey M. Edmonson	nay
	Sally A. Heyman	aye
	Joe A. Martinez	aye
	Natacha Seijas	aye
	Rebeca Sosa	aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 15th day of June, 2010. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.



MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RAD", is written over the text of the County Attorney's approval.

Robert A. Duvall

By: **DIANE COLLINS**
Deputy Clerk