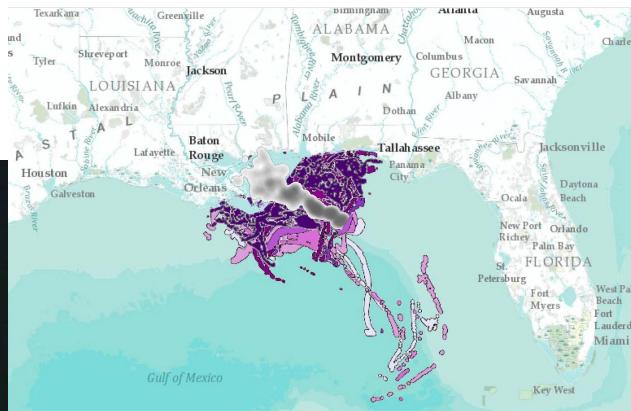




### 200 million gallons of crude oil

began to spread...







## What does an OIL SPILL do to the environment?

# RESPONDING TO OIL SPILLS AT SEA DISPERSION Chemical dispersion is achieved by applying chemicals designed to remove oil from the water surface by breaking the oil into small droplets.

#### **BURNING**

Also referred to as in situ burning, this is the method of setting fire to freshly spilled oil, usually while still floating on the water surface.

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Booms are long, floating barriers used to contain or prevent the spread of spilled oil.



#### SKIMMING

Skimming is achieved with boats equipped with a floating skimmer designed to remove thin layers of oil from the surface, often with the help of booms.





- 1. Shoreline flushing/washing
- 2. Booms
- 3. Vacuums
- 4. Sorbents
- 5. Shoreline cleaners & biodegradable agents
- 6. Burning
- 7. Manual removal
- 8. Mechanical removal





# Affected wildlife and habitats









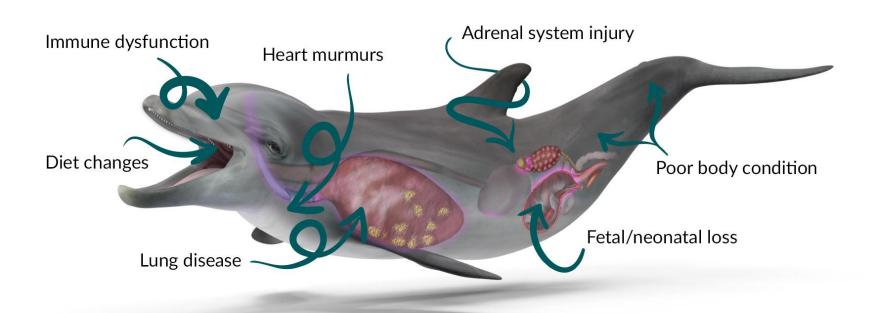
## What happens when YOU get sick!?





## Dolphins get a health exam too!

## What we found...





#### Consortium for Advanced Research on Marine Mammal Health Assessment





















### Targeted Projects



- 1. Heart disease
- 2. Immune system
- 3. Fish



#### Wild Dolphin Heath Assessments



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#### Population Modeling



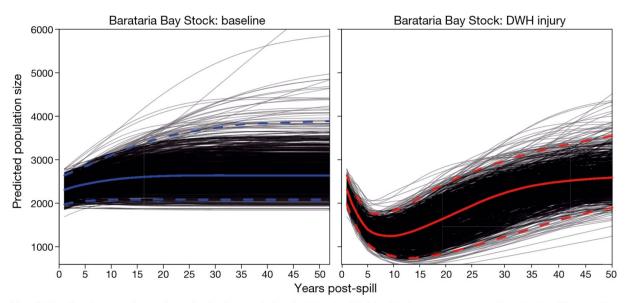


Fig. 3. Simulated population trajectories for Barataria Bay bottlenose dolphin *Tursiops truncatus* stock under baseline conditions (left), and with *Deepwater Horizon* (DWH) injury (right). Each black line represents the result from 1 simulated trajectory; trajectories were thinned by a factor of 10 for graphing. Solid and dashed blue/red lines represent median and 95<sup>th</sup> percentiles for trajectories

### Take Action!



#### What would you do?!

- 1. Who do I call if I find a stranded marine mammal?
  -SeaWorld Rescue: 1-800-541-SEAL
- 2. Where can I volunteer?
- 3. Minimize pollution, do not dump down storm drains!
- 4. What if there was an oil spill in California?



# Now it 3 / Le turn! **ACTIVITIES**