

Geographic Response Strategy Ram Island BB15						
Tactic #	Purpose	Response Equipment	Deployment Resources	Deployment Notes		
FO-01	Contain and recover spilled oil on the water in the offshore & nearshore environment	1 or more onwater skimming systems		Deploy on-water recovery task force(s) in configuration suitable for types of vessels used and sea conditions, with skimming system(s) and temporary storage for recovered oil and water. Location not exact, will move to chase oil.		
		N/A Testing Date	Tested			
DF-02a	Direct spilled oil away from a location to be protected or to change the course of the slick.	2000 ft open water boom 10 marine anchor system 0 shoreline anchor system	0 shore responders2 response boats6 boat responders	Tend through tidal changes. Deploy boom as depicted to deflect incoming oil away from sensitive areas. Anchor every 200-300'. Readjust boom angle as needed to reduce entrainment 36" boom staged in New Bedford and MMA. 42" boom staged at USCG Base Cape Cod. Contact MassDEP to access.		
		10/22/15 Testing Date	Y Tested	Base Cape Cou. Contact Massber to access.		
DF-02a-alt	Direct spilled oil away from a location to be protected or to change the course of the slick.	2000 ft open water boom 10 marine anchor system 0 shoreline anchor system Testing Date	0 shore responders 2 response boats 6 boat responders N Tested	Tend through tidal changes. Deploy boom as depicted to deflect incoming oil away from sensitive areas. Anchor every 200-300'. 36" boom staged in New Bedford and MMA. 42" boom staged at USCG Base Cape Cod. Contact MassDEP to access.		
DF-02b	Direct spilled oil away from a location to be protected or to change the course of the slick.	2000 ft open water boom 10 marine anchor system 0 shoreline anchor system Testing Date	0 shore responders 2 response boats 6 boat responders N Tested	Tend through tidal changes. Deploy boom as depicted to deflect incoming oil away from sensitive areas. Anchor every 200-300'. Alternate deployment with tide - reset during slack. Readjust boom angle as needed to reduce entrainment 36" boom staged in New Bedford and MMA. 42" boom staged at USCG Base Cape Cod. Contact MassDEP to access.		
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EX-03	Prohibit oil slicks from entering a sensitive area	200 ft protected water boom	2 shore responders 1 response boats 3 boat responders N Tested	Tend through tidal changes. Deploy boom as depicted to exclude oil from sensitive areas. Anchor every 200-300'. Not tide dependent. Deploy shoreside anchor first.		
PR-04	Remove spilled oil by collecting it in a sorbent material	1200 ft sorbent boom	2 shore responders Tested	Place and stake snare or sorbent boom in areas that are likely to pool and collect oil and across the mouths of the streams and intertidal areas. Use snare boom for persistent oils and sorbent boom for non-persistent oils. Approach the streams and intertidal areas on rising tide. Replace as necessary to maximize oil recovery.		

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Local contacts		
Mattapoisett Fire Dept.	(508) 758-4150	
Mattapoisett Harbor Master	(508) 758-4191	
Mattapoisett First Responder	(508) 758-9669	
Marion Harbor Master	(508) 748-3535	
Marion Fire Department	(508) 748-1177	
Mass. DEP (24 Hours)	888-304-1133	
Mass. Division of Fisheries and Wildlife	(508) 389-6300	
Massachusetts Audubon IBA Program	(781) 837-9400	
The Coalition for Buzzards Bay	(508) 999-6363	
USCG Sector Southeastern New England	(501) 457-3211	

Resources Protected			
Marine Mammals	None identified		
Fish	Shellfish, finfish		
Invertebrates	None identified		
Birds	Waterfowl concentration, Roseate Tern (state/federally endangered)		
Threat/End. Species	None identified		
Cultural	None identified		
Subsistence	None identified		
Human Use	Aquaculture site SW of island		
Commercial Fishing	None identified		
Land Management	None identified		
Coastal Habitiat	Extensive tidal flat and eel grass beds, sand and cobble beaches		



Ram Island shoreline at low tide looking west on 08 Sep 2004.

Site photo provided for reference

Special Considerations & Navigational Hazards

Managed nesting breeding staging site for Roseate Terns. Spring: Nesting/breeding. Mid-July thru Mid-Sep: Staging prior to migration. Waters around Ram Island are shallow and rocky. Use extreme caution when operating a vessel around and near the island.