



Along with the rest of the nation, the Water Resources Coalition (WRC) is concerned by the recent oil drilling accident in the Gulf of Mexico. The WRC implores the federal government to respond swiftly to this catastrophic event and to do everything possible — through funding and action — to protect the nation’s coasts from potential devastation.

The Water Resources Coalition is an organization of groups representing state and local governments, conservation, engineering and construction industries, ports, waterways, and transportation services who are committed to ensuring that a comprehensive, national water resources policy is developed, implemented, and funded to provide a sustainable, productive economy; a healthy aquatic ecology; and public health and safety, all of which are threatened due to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill.

The Water Resources Coalition wishes to remind officials directing the funding of the clean up operation that failing to adequately fund this cleanup will result in increased economic and environmental damage.

Our beaches, wetlands, and estuaries are a vital part of the nation’s economy, providing a home for tourism and recreational activities, commercial fishing, ports and harbors to facilitate the transport of goods, protection from severe storms, as well as safeguarding beneficial ecosystems. Coastal oil spills, especially to this magnitude, have the potential to heavily damage the infrastructure and economy of the affected area for years to come.

The Water Resources Coalition urge necessary funding and manpower be sent to the clean up effort in the Gulf Coast in order to prevent further damages from the catastrophic spill.

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