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(STCZACP)

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### 1000 Introduction

Planning and Response Tools, contains, Quick Response Cards (QRCs), checklists, and other necessary job aids and documents to assist emergency management preparedness specialists and response personnel; all items are “grab and go” for ease of use. In addition to this brief overview, the spreadsheet linked below provides a central repository for numerous tools to support personnel in planning for or responding to an oil discharge or hazardous substance release within the Eighth Coast Guard District coastal zone, including the STCZACP planning area. To maximize efficiency, this extensive spreadsheet is maintained by the Eighth District Response Advisory Team (DRAT); all tools are hyperlinked and incorporated by reference into this ACP.

### 2000 Purpose

Incidents involving oil and hazardous substances require planning and response personnel to mobilize resources and develop objectives, strategies, and tactics to mitigate the impact to the community and environment. Planning and response operations involve many tools, which will inform decision makers on the next course of action. The magnitude of the incident, environmental conditions, and discharge/release status are just a few of the factors one must consider before selecting the appropriate combination of tools to use.

Additionally, to be successful in the mitigation of oil discharges and hazardous substance releases, emergency preparedness and planning activities must take place well in advance of an incident. There are many tools for responders including training opportunities, lessons learned from previous incidents and exercises, and education on relevant policy and procedures.

### 3000 Scope

In the spreadsheet linked below, you will find some of the tools and other resources available to assist emergency planners and responders in their development of preparedness initiatives, response objectives, strategies, and tactics. This list, while extensive, is not all inclusive.

Beside the name of each tool (*hyperlinked as appropriate*) on the spreadsheet, you will find a brief description, purpose, and requirements for use of the tool. Some tools [*denoted with an asterisk (\*)*] will require a username, password, and periodic log-in for continuous use. If you encounter trouble using the links provided, it is recommended that you right click on the link, edit hyperlink and copy and paste the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) into your browser to access the website. The following is a link to the [Planning and Response Tools Excel Spreadsheet](#) which is housed on the RRT-6 website. Requests to update information within the spreadsheet should be directed to the Eighth District DRAT.