

Update: Proposed New Regulations in California

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REGULATIONS:

- **Workgroup to Discuss Changes to the Contingency Plan Regulations Regarding Spill Management Teams**
- Beginning in January 2013, the Office of Spill Prevention and Response (OSPR) began conducting unannounced plan holder exercises specifically focusing on Spill Management Teams' (SMT) ability to staff an organizational structure of appropriate size for a Type III spill response. Two Workshops were held to discuss the results of these drills, and potential changes to the Contingency Plan regulations regarding SMTs.
- OSPR is convening an industry workgroup on May 15 in Los Alamitos to work on performance standards for SMTs, to be included in regulations governing contingency plans.

➤ **Potential Changes to the Oil Spill Response Organization Rating Regulations**

- Two Workshops were held in December to discuss possible regulatory changes to the rating system for OSRO's and the Sensitive Site Strategy Evaluation Program (SSSEP). Both workshops were well attended and productive.
- OSPR has reviewed all comments received and will soon have a new draft of possible regulatory changes for review and comment during an informal written comment period.
- The changes include better defining operating areas, and requiring participation in the SSSEP Program for an OSRO Rating for Shoreline Protection.

- **Potential Changes to the Certificate of Financial Responsibility (COFR) Regulations**
- OSPR is amending the regulations governing COFRs. Most of the changes are either clarifications of existing requirements, or changes to aid in-house processing.
- The draft language will be sent out to industry for an informal comment period in May.

Questions?

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