PHOTO RELEASE: Oil mats and tar balls present on Elmer's Island following Hurricane Isaac

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The initial closure was issued on Sept. 27 by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. A portion of state waters near Elmer's Island also remain closed to commercial fishing following the storm. The official closure can be found here: [http://lra.louisiana.gov/action.cfm?md=emaillist&task=addMessageClickThru&msgid=1004&uid=d5e%25jYhvmpp%3E&encoded=1&redirect=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.wlf.louisiana.gov/news/35912](http://lra.louisiana.gov/action.cfm?md=emaillist&task=addMessageClickThru&msgid=1004&uid=d5e%25jYhvmpp%3E&encoded=1&redirect=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.wlf.louisiana.gov/news/35912)

Members of the public should not handle any oil or oily material, including tar balls, tar mats, or other oily debris. Reports of any oil, oily material, or oiled debris should be made to both of the following numbers: (1) the National Response Center at [1-800-424-8802](tel:1-800-424-8802), and (2) the 24-hour Louisiana Emergency Hazardous Materials Hotline at [1-877-925-6595](tel:1-877-925-6595).