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Just an FYI: the JAG just released its second report (attached, and at http://www.noaanews.noaa.gov/stories2010/20100722_jag.html).

Summary: "The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) today released its second peer-reviewed, analytical summary report about subsurface oil monitoring in the Gulf of Mexico. The report contains preliminary data collected at 227 sampling stations extending from one to 52 kilometers from the Deepwater Horizon/BP wellhead. Data shows movement of subsurface oil is consistent with ocean currents and that concentrations continue to be more diffuse as you move away from the source of the leak. This confirms the findings of the previous report."

Note that I serve as a liaison with the JAG, but am not involved in development of these reports. Also note that the JAG is not affiliated with the FRTG.

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