

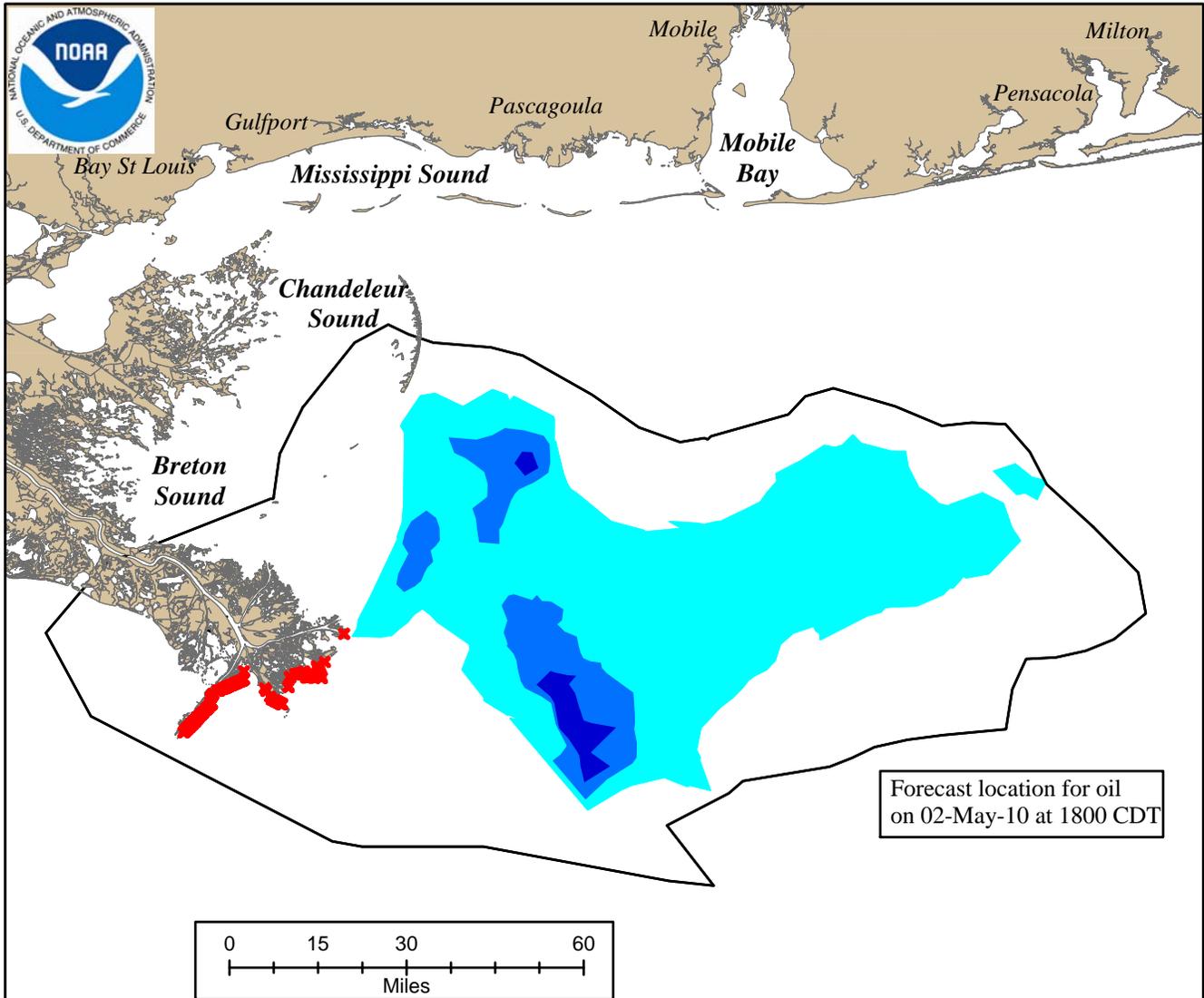
Mississippi Canyon 252

NOAA/NOS/OR&R

Estimate for: 1800 CDT, Sunday, 5/02/10

Date Prepared: 2100 CDT, Saturday 5/01/10

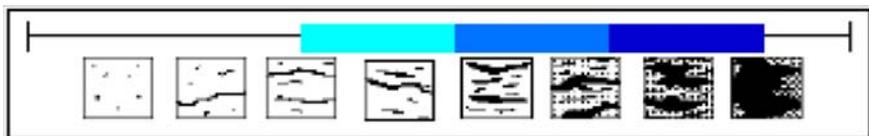
This forecast is based on the NWS spot forecast from Saturday, May 1 PM. Currents were obtained from the NOAA Gulf of Mexico model, Texas A&M/TGLO, and NAVO models. The model was initialized from Saturday morning and afternoon overflight data. The leading edge may contain tarballs that are not readily observable from the imagery (hence not included in the model initialization).



Strong SE winds of 20-25 kts are expected to continue through tomorrow (Sunday). The winds change and lighten over the following few days. These winds will continue to bring oil towards the shoreline. Oil has been seen on both overflights today offshore to the south of the Mississippi Delta, 5-10 nm offshore in the convergence between fresh and saltwater and as far west as Southwest Pass. This oil could move further west and around the Mississippi Delta in coming days. Breton Sound continues to be threatened by oil over the forecast period as the winds have a southerly component.

Trajectory

- Uncertainty
- Light
- Medium
- Heavy
- Beached oil



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