Southern Louisiana Flooding

1700 CDT - August 24, 2016
Update

As a result of the August 2016 flooding due to heavy rains, twenty parishes have received major federal disaster declarations and more than 60,000 homes may have been impacted. Boil water advisories continue to affect over 15,000 people. LDEQ and LDHH have not requested any FEMA assistance as they continue to take the lead for the environmental response. LDEQ has issued guidance on flood debris segregation and flood re-entry. Early indications are that Parishes will take the lead for debris collection and disposal. Currently, debris is being sent for disposal to Type I and Type II landfills.

- **FEMA JIONT FIELD OFFICE**: EPA continues to participate in the Debris Task Force meeting to support local and parish governments. LDEQ joined EPA at the JFO ESF-10 desk Wednesday 8/24/2016.

- **PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY:** LDHH continues conducting drinking water system assessments. There remains 46 public drinking water systems under boil water advisory impacting more than 15,000 people.

- **WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS**: There are 650 WWTP in the declared parishes. LDEQ is implementing their Hurricane Disaster Plan. LDEQ will attempt to contact all potentially impacted WWTP via phone. If they don't make contact after two attempts, LDEQ will conduct a facility visit to that facility. To date, LDEQ has attempted to contact 606 of the 650 WWTP. LDEQ phone assessments and facility visits are continuing.

LDEQ WWTP STATUS				
Fully Operational	Partially Operational	Reporting Not Operational	Unreachable - Unknown Status	No Assessment – Not Yet Contacted
548	11	4	43	44

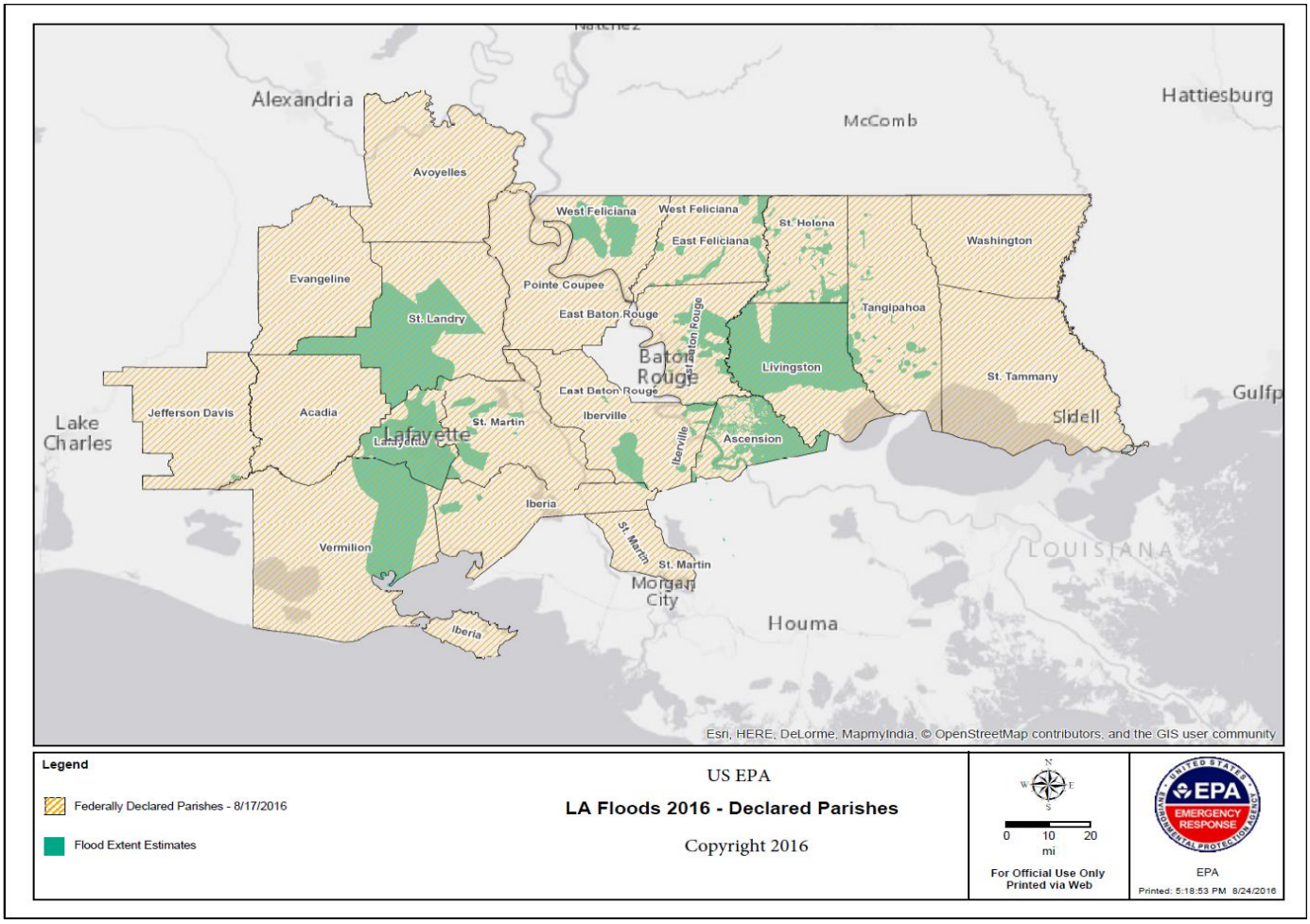
(606 attempted vis phone, 44 not yet assessed/phoned)

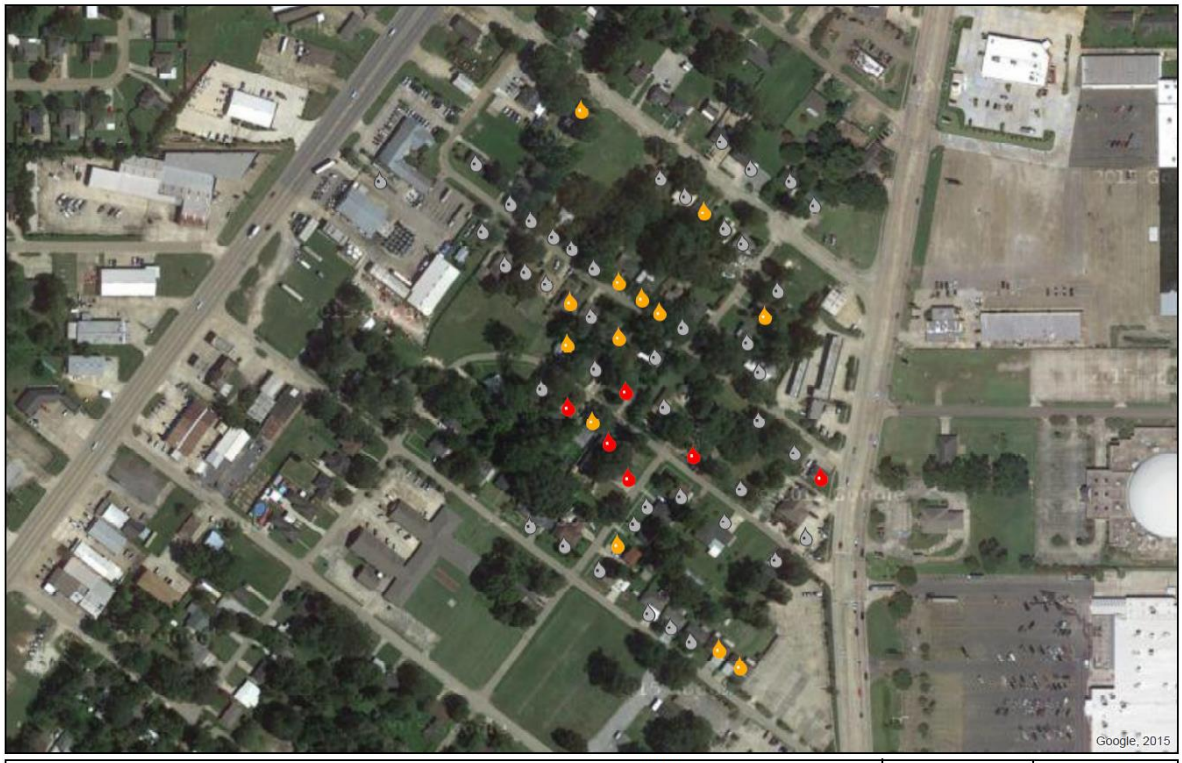
- **BATON ROUGE LDEQ OFFICE:** EPA has established two emergency response teams which are co-located with LDEQ at their Baton Rouge office. EPA teams are working with LDEQ to ensure that there is adequate emergency response coverage in the impacted area. To date, there have been 29 flood-related NRC reports. LDEQ and EPA have reviewed all of these NRC reports and either EPA or LDEQ have made site visits to each incident. Since the last reporting period, one additional NRC report (raw sewage released) have been received from the flood impacted area.

- **LARD OIL SPILL, DENHAM SPRINGS, LA:** EPA continues to provide RP oversight of the Lard Oil spill cleanup activities that has impacted a residential area. EPA staff continue to coordinates activities to gather access agreements of the residential properties to perform assessments and cleanup. LDHH has developed a site specific Fact Sheet for the residents. Many of the residents are returning home and are beginning to remove flood damaged materials and items from their property. .

- **Staffing Chart**:

Location	EPA	Contractor
LDEQ	3	5
FEMA-JFO	1	0
REOC	5	5
TOTAL	**9**	**10**





Legend

Property Assessment

- Oil Observed Internally
- Oil Observed Externally
- Work Started
- Assessment Completed
- No Oil
- Work Complete
- Not Assessed

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EPA Lard Oil Response - Home Assessments

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Clear evidence of oil residue on fence

Clear evidence of oiled trees at a homeowner's property

Clear evidence of oil residue in yard at a homeowner's property