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## **Sarasota County to brief media, hold emergency commission meeting Tuesday on oil spill**

Sarasota County emergency management officials will brief media representatives about the planning for the Deepwater Horizon oil spill at 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 4, in the first floor media room, County Administration Center, 1660 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota.

Sarasota County commissioners will hold an emergency meeting at 3 p.m. Tuesday, May 4, in the first floor Commission Chamber, 1660 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota for an emergency declaration on the oil spill.

Florida Governor Charlie Crist extended a previously issued emergency declaration to include Sarasota County on May 3. The executive order will activate financial aid and resources to support the planning and response to the event.

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection is the lead agency to coordinate the response to the oil spill in conjunction with the U.S. Coast Guard.

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