



## Regional Response Team II Fall 2024 Meeting Notes

Norrie Point Environmental Center  
Staatsburg, NY  
December 18, 2024

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### RCP Organization discussion:

- Website reconfiguration – USCG D1, LCDR Brian Attardo navigated through the RRT3 website and recommended the RRT2 site be configured similarly. Roger Fernandez, EPA, NRT Coordinator, indicated the NRT and RRT template could likewise be evaluated for improvements also. Recommended a subcommittee be established to work at this.
- Mr. Frank Csulak, NOAA, demonstrated the Environmental Consultation Guide tool developed by RRT3, and RRT3 Oil Spill Response BMPs for consideration of modification and acceptance as tools and BMPs for RRT2.
- Ms. Lucarino reviewed RRT2 Member and Alternate contact information to update the RRT2 contact list.
- USCG D1 noted inconsistency in the boundary definition between RRT2/RRT3 and recommended the boundary between Cape May, NJ and Lewes, DE be revisited.

### Other Items:

- USCG D1 had indicated that coastal zone ACPs are in the process of being re-formatted across all Sectors with an anticipated completion date of October 2026.
- USCG-AST briefed out on Response Workshops to be held in 2025.

### Committees established:

- RCP Organization & Website Committee – This committee will be led by USCG D1 (LCDR Attardo) with technical support of EPA R2 (TBD), with participation by other interested agencies. EPA HQ may also participate on behalf of NRT and possibly national RRT website template.
- BMPs (Best Management Practices) for Cultural and Natural Resources Committee – This committee will be led jointly by Mr. Frank Csulak (NOAA) and Ms. Sarah Schaefer (USFWS), and is charged with development of tools and BMPs for cultural and natural resource consultations to be adopted by RRT2. EPA2 will also participate on this subcommittee and provide contractor support as may be needed.
- Training and Exercises Committee – This committee will be let by EPA and is charged with collecting and disseminating all training and exercise opportunities among RRT2 agencies that are open for participation by fellow agencies. The training and exercise committee will also manage any RRT2-sponsored training and exercise activities.

Action Items:

- USCG D1 & EPA R2:
  - Presentation materials used during the RRT2 meeting are being collected will be distributed to RRT2 members.
- All RRT2 member agencies
  - Please review the attached RRT2 Agency Member Contact list and provide any necessary contact information for your agency to [Pellegrino.carl@epa.gov](mailto:Pellegrino.carl@epa.gov).
  - Please review meeting summary and provide any additional content on agency updates and/or relevant upcoming activity to [pellegrino.carl@epa.gov](mailto:pellegrino.carl@epa.gov).
  - Please review the work planned through the three committees established and provide representation on any, as appropriate and applicable. Reply to [pellegrino.carl@epa.gov](mailto:pellegrino.carl@epa.gov) and [brian.attardo@uscg.mil](mailto:brian.attardo@uscg.mil).

Next RRT2 meeting:

- The Spring RRT2 meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 24-25, 2025, to be held in a TBD NJ location venue.