

Community Meeting Scenario Cards

SCENARIO CARD 1

An oil spill just occurred in _____. The tides, currents, and winds are carrying much of the oil _____. It is projected that large amounts of oil will reach your community within the next 24 hours.

SCENARIO CARD 2

Our hope is to be able to prevent oil from reaching the most important resources and areas. We have limited materials available, however, so we will need to prioritize which sites are most important.

SCENARIO CARD

We are asking you, as the council, to create a list of the top **THREE** local areas that you believe are most important to protect from the oil. Please consider their importance to people as well as wildlife and the overall environment. You may list other places of importance, but we need you to prioritize your top **THREE** sites. You have thirty minutes to create your list.

MAYOR/COUNCIL PRESIDENT ROLE:

Your responsibility is to make sure that the meeting proceeds in an orderly manner and that everyone has a chance to share their ideas and opinions. Call on all council members to speak in turn. Make sure they explain WHY something is important to protect. Once everyone has shared their priorities, provide an opportunity for additional comments and debate by calling on people that wish to speak further. You also must decide when it is time to decide the top three priorities. The Clerk will help you to budget time.

CLERK/COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT ROLE:

Your responsibility is to make sure that the list is created in the 30 minutes allotted. Make sure that your Mayor/President knows when 5, 10, and 20 minutes have passed.

SECRETARY ROLE:

Your responsibility is to record the suggestions so that everyone can see. You will also write the final list of 3 top priority sites to be submitted to the response team.