

STORM PREPARATION PLAN

Business LLC

Business Name has put together a Storm Preparation Plan developed from the official website of the Department of Homeland Security. The information below is a plan of action and will be followed to our best abilities during a topical event.

If a tropical event is predicted for Biloxi, MS and is expected to make landfall within 72 hours:

- Business Name will monitor TV, radio or public media outlets in order to get the latest weather updates and emergency instructions.
- Business Name will review evacuation zones, evacuation route and shelter locations.
- Business Name will fuel all vessels and with fuel and stock with emergency supplies.
- Business Name will contact the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources(MDMR) Office of Marine Fisheries(OMF) Shellfish Bureau to coordinate storm preparation activities.
- All loose, lightweight objects will be removed from the leasing area.
- All anchor lines will be inspected for wear on floating cages and anchors.
- All knots will be checked to be sure that they are secure and replaced as necessary.
- If wave and tidal surge are predicted to be high, slack may be added to the anchor lines.
- All floating cage doors and bungee cords will be inspected to ensure proper working conditions and to verify equipment is secured properly and replaced as necessary.
- All floats and caps should be checked and in good condition and replaced as necessary.
- Grow out bags will be assessed to ensure floating cages are not overstocked.
 - If grow out bags are overstocked Business Name will split bags to proper density
- Business Name will remove all vessels and non-essential equipment from the MDMR Commercial Aquaculture Park.
- All insurance records will be checked to verify coverage and all receipts will be recorded to track preparation cost.

If a tropical event greater than a Category 2 Hurricane is predicted for Biloxi, MS and is expected to make landfall between 36-24 hours:

- Cages may be sunk to the seafloor
 - Sinking cages will be accomplished by removing caps and guiding the cages to the seafloor. All cages will rest on their floats.
 - Once the cage is on the seafloor, all caps will be secured to the floats to prevent sand.

After a tropical event

- Business Name will listen to authorities for information and special instructions.
- Business Name will contact the MDMR to coordinate clean-up activities.
- Business Name will follow all area closure notifications and post storm harvest requirements.
- Business Name will document any property damage with photographs.