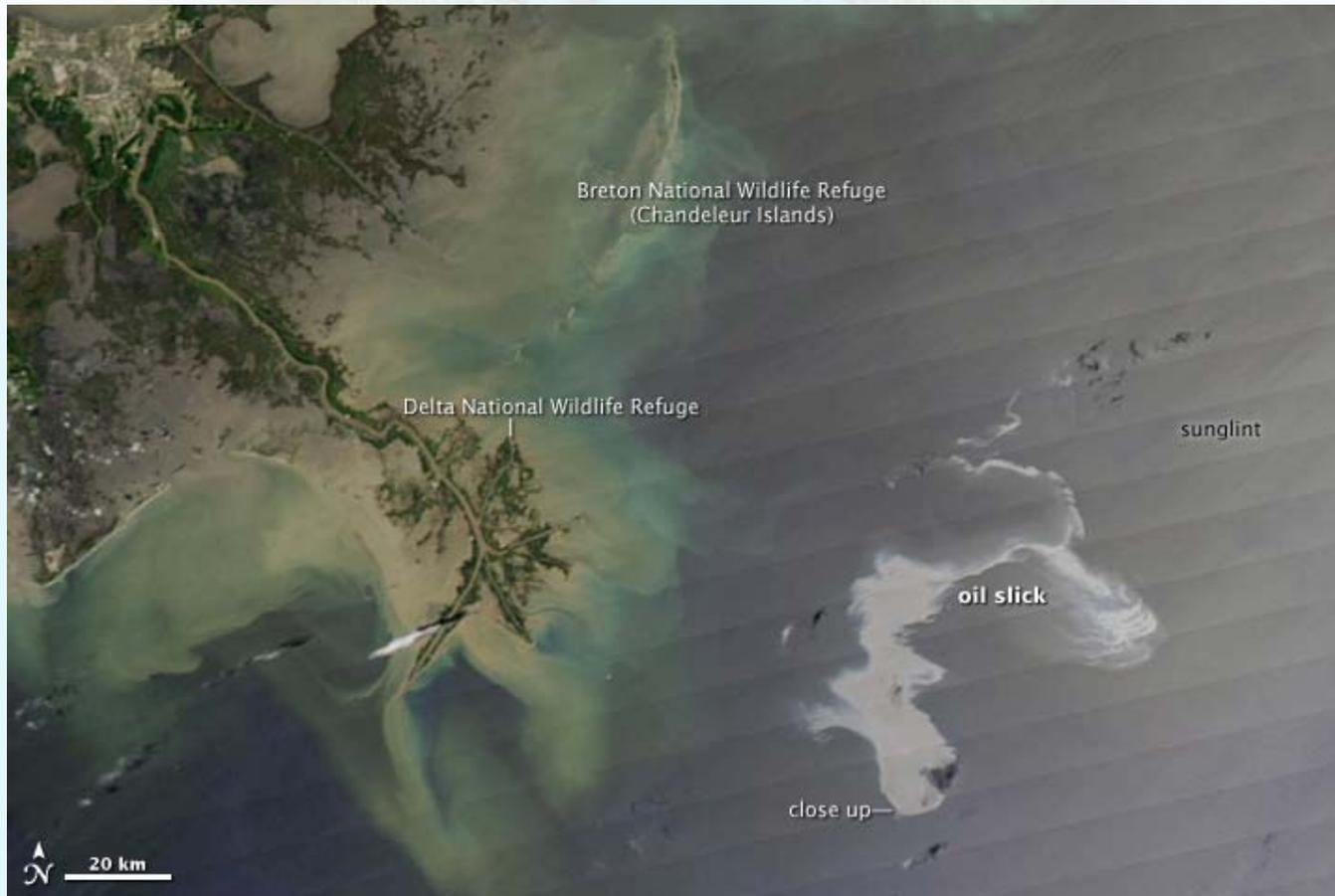


MODIS Imagery of Oil Slick in Gulf of Mexico (Apr. 2010)



April 25, 2010  
True-Color Image from MODIS  
Oil Leak from Damaged Well in Gulf of Mexico

In this Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer (MODIS) image, the Mississippi Delta is at image center, and the oil slick is a silvery swirl to the right. The oil slick may be particularly obvious because it is occurring in the sunlint area, where the mirror-like reflection of the Sun off the water gives the Gulf of Mexico a washed-out look. The close-up view shows waves on the water surface as well as ships, presumably involved in the clean up and control activities.