In July 2013, 4 deep-water permits were issued, a decrease of 2 permits (33%) from the one-year historical average*, and a decrease of 3 permits (43%) from the three-year historical average**. In August 2013, 5 deep-water permits were issued, a decrease of 1 permit (17%) from the one-year historical average*, and a decrease of 2 permits (29%) from the three-year historical average**. In September 2013, 8 deep-water permits were issued, an increase of 2 permits (33%) from the one-year historical average*, and an increase of 1 permit (14%) from the three-year historical average**.

In July 2013, 4 shallow-water permits were issued, representing a decrease of 3 permits (43%) from the 1-year historical average*, and representing an 11-permit decrease (73%) from the 3-year historical average**. In August 2013, 4 shallow-water permit were issued, a decrease of 3 permits (43%) from the 1-year historical average*, and an 11-permit decrease (73%) from the 3-year historical average**. In September 2013, 5 shallow-water permits were issued, a decrease of 2 permits (29%) from the 1-year historical average*, and a 10-permit decrease (67%) from the 3-year historical average**.

* Denotes the monthly average observed in the year prior to the oil spill ** Denotes the monthly average observed in the three years prior to the oil spill
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Plans

In July 2013, the average approval time for a plan was 107 days, representing an increase of 75% from the historical average of 61 days. In August 2013, the average approval time for a plan was 102 days, representing an increase of 67% from the historical average of 61 days. In September 2013, the average approval time for a plan was 102 days, representing an increase of 67% from the historical average of 61 days.

Data sourced from Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE), Bureau of Energy Management (BOEM), and IHS Drilling Data.