

# Texas Baseline Sampling and Survey

## JULY SAMPLING:

1. Chemistry Samples:  
Collected sediment and water samples at each survey station to document baseline oil concentrations.
2. Benthic Beach Invertebrates:  
Collected benthic fauna at each survey station to document the current invertebrate community.



Trustees collect sediment and benthic samples.  
Credit: TPWD



Trustees sieve benthic samples for collection.  
Credit: TPWD



## POSSIBLE BENTHIC INVERTEBRATES COLLECTED:

- Beach clams
- Marine worms
- Amphipods (scuds)
- Crabs (sea pigs or beach hoppers)



Trustees survey for visible oil and wildlife. Credit: TCEQ.

## JULY THROUGH SEPTEMBER BEACH SURVEYS:

1. Surveyed 600 meters of beach at each survey station to document the presence of any visible oil (tar balls) as well as dead and stranded wildlife.
2. Conducted beach surveys once a month.

