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An Update on the Oil Spill Response Oiled Wildlife Service

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Oil Spill Response working in co-operation with the wildlife charity, Sea Alarm Foundation (SAF) have collectively addressed oiled wildlife response issues and married their individual strengths, capabilities and resources to bring a new approach to oiled wildlife response. Preparedness and response activities to oiled wildlife will be enhanced and improved globally via the establishment of a database of Country Wildlife Response Profiles, a pool of international experts for wildlife response, equipment stockpiles at aviation secure bases worldwide and development of wildlife response plans in co-operation with recognised international groups. This paper will serve as an update on the 4 year programme to date.