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BP STOPS OIL FLOW, AT LEAST FOR NOW

Cap cuts off geyser, but it's too soon to celebrate

Dengue fever advisory is issued

By Mike Clary
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Advisories were in effect in Broward and Palm Beach counties Thursday after health department officials announced that a Miami Beach man had come down with a suspected case of locally acquired dengue fever.

The announcement from the Miami-Dade Health Department follows word earlier this week of what was described as a small outbreak of the exotic, mosquito-borne disease in Key West.

That prompted a warning from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that the disease, which can be serious and even fatal on rare occasions, could spread.

Candy Sims, a spokeswoman for the Broward County Health Department, said no suspected cases have been reported locally. "But we are on high alert and monitoring the situation," she said.

Earlier this week, Harold Margolis, chief of CDC's dengue branch, issued a report in which he said, "We're concerned that if dengue gains a foothold in Key West, it will travel to other southern cities where the mosquito that transmits dengue is present, like Miami."

Health officials urged people to keep covered up and use insect repellent as

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Get some answers

Dengue fever is not your usual health concern, so we have some answers to your questions. **Page 16A**

Pressure testing

How engineers are using the newly installed sealing cap to perform a pressure test on the cap and the well below the sea floor:

1. Lines closed to collection surface vessels; oil flows out only through cap's top and its choke and kill lines.

2. Valve inside cap and kill line closed.

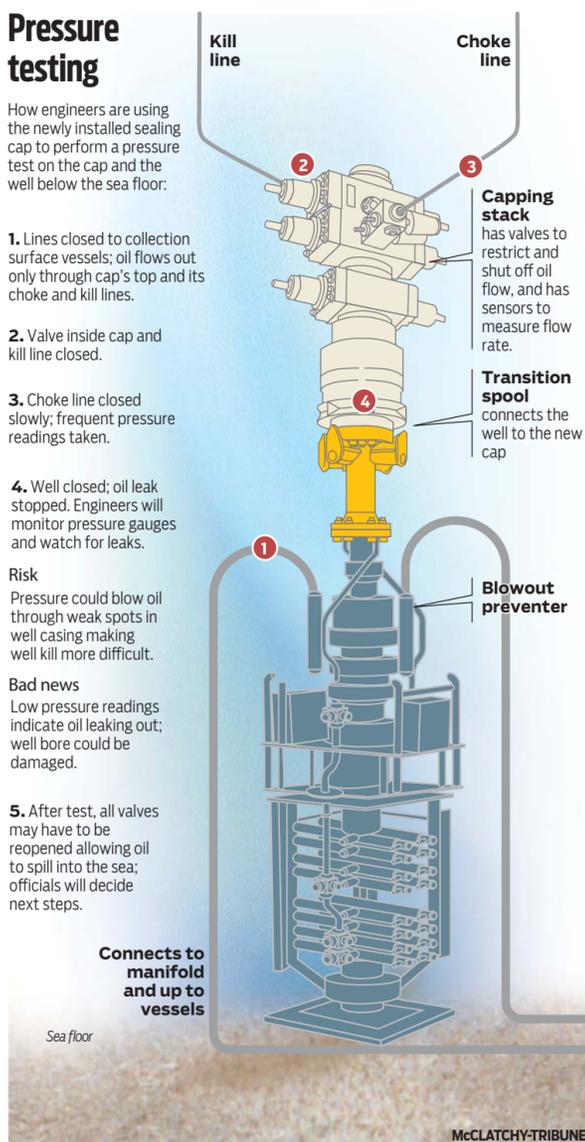
3. Choke line closed slowly; frequent pressure readings taken.

4. Well closed; oil leak stopped. Engineers will monitor pressure gauges and watch for leaks.

Risk
Pressure could blow oil through weak spots in well casing making well kill more difficult.

Bad news
Low pressure readings indicate oil leaking out; well bore could be damaged.

5. After test, all valves may have to be reopened allowing oil to spill into the sea; officials will decide next steps.



A section of the new containment cap shows no oil leaking for the first time since the April accident.

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After 85 days and up to 184 million gallons, BP finally gained control over one of America's biggest environmental catastrophes Thursday by placing a cap over a runaway geyser that has been gushing crude into the Gulf of Mexico since early spring.

Though a temporary fix, the news was greeted with hope, high expectations and, in many cases, disbelief. One Gulf Coast resident said: "Hallelujah." Another said: "I got to see it to believe it."

If the cap holds, if the sea floor doesn't crack and if the relief wells being prepared are completed successfully, this could be the beginning of the end for the spill. But that's a lot of ifs, and no one was declaring any sort of victory beyond the moment.

"It's a great sight," said BP Chief Operating Officer Doug Suttles, as the oil flow stopped. But he immediately urged caution. The flow, he said, could resume. "It's far from the finish line. ... It's not the time to celebrate."

Full story inside

BP officials and the White House are hopeful but cautious about efforts to halt the disaster. **Page 3A**

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June burns up record books

We weren't the only ones feeling the heat last month. It was the warmest June on record worldwide. **Local, Page 1**

Try to catch shooting star

Stephen Strasburg starts against the Marlins today in what may be the only chance for South Florida fans to see the Nationals' phenom as a rookie. **Sports, Page 1**

Better go-go to the Go Guide

See what's moving and shaking this weekend, like a club remodeled with "a high-end, classy feel and a hint of dirty." **Showtime, Page 28**

ACLU tries to get man's guns returned from Sheriff's Office

By Linda Trischitta
SUN SENTINEL

POMPANO BEACH — The American Civil Liberties Union is petitioning a court to help an 85-year-old man get his guns back from the Broward Sheriff's Office.

Yes, you read that right. In what may be the first time, the ACLU says, it is advocating on behalf of a gun owner to get his weapons back. And they're doing so free of charge.

That the ACLU, a longtime target of conservatives' scorn, is supporting gun ownership is "a breath of fresh air," said Marion P. Hammer, board member of the National Rifle Association.

"It's all very interesting that the ACLU has now decided that all of the rights are worth defending, and it's a

welcome change," said Hammer, a Florida lobbyist for the NRA and its former president.

Is this new alliance a sign of the apocalypse?

Not really, says Fort Lauderdale attorney Barry Butin, a cooperating attorney for the ACLU of Florida's Broward Chapter who is representing the gun owner, Pompano Beach retiree Robert Weinstein.

Two recent U.S. Supreme Court decisions have affirmed the right to maintain guns in the home.

"Under the Second Amendment, he has a right to have his guns in his house. He's not a convicted felon," Butin said. "It is unusual for the ACLU. But the ACLU supports all constitu-

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