

Gulf oil Spill Sea Floor Leak Now confirmed

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BP has confirmed that there is an oil leak on the sea floor several miles away from the Deepwater Horizon's damaged blowout preventer. The undisclosed specific location of the sub-sea leak [is reported](#) to be billowing oil and deadly methane gas.

While the live BP video feed has been focused on the BOP, some oil industry experts have suggested that the leak being reported today has been played down, despite a report from Florida Senator Bill Nelson last month. (See video below)

[The third oil leak](#), which was admitted to by BP shortly after the Deepwater Horizon exploded on April 20, 2010, may now be emerging from behind what many believe has been an oil spill media blackout.

On May 5, 2010 [BP confirmed](#) that one of three initial leaks had been plugged. The second leak is the one millions of people have been watching through the BP live video feed. However, the third leak has been virtually ignored.

In the early stages of the 90 day-old disaster, oil industry expert Matt Simmons told NBC News that a major area of seepage was coming from an area about 7 miles from the well. Simmons called it the "elephant behind the mouse."

Residents in the Tampa Bay area have been concerned over the lack of available information on the potential risks from the disaster.

Should the sea floor leak announced today be confirmed in same location as the one Simmons and Senator Nelson have reported, then BP and the government have been aware of it all along, further substantiating fears of an oil spill media blackout.

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