

# **MEDIA ALERT**

## **“STORM IN THE GULF – THE DISASTER KNOWN AS THE POMBO BILL”**

A press conference to alert journalists to the dangers hidden inside H.R. 4761, also known as the Pombo Bill.

## **“STORM IN THE GULF”**

A one-half hour documentary film “Storm in the Gulf,” profiles the “fight” of the citizens of the Mississippi Gulf Coast to protect the barrier islands from oil and gas drilling.

## **WHEN**

Press conference 6:45 p.m., Wednesday, June 28, 2006; film screening begins at 7 pm. Followed by a panel discussion on threats to the coast from oil and gas drilling.

## **WHERE**

Ocean Springs Community Center near the Walter Anderson Museum, Washington St.

## **WHAT**

Two events that focus on the future of the Mississippi Coast in a post-Katrina world:

1. H.R. 4761 and the impacts to the Mississippi Gulf Coast
2. “Storm in the Gulf” shows vividly why bills like H.R. 4761 should be dismissed for what they are – giveaways to profit-laden oil companies.

## **THE ISSUE**

The House Resources Committee, led by Rep. Richard Pombo, has voted to lift the 25-year-old moratorium on off-shore drilling, opening the door for oil rigs to be built next to U.S. shores. It marks a disastrous retreat from the long-standing bipartisan commitment to protecting our nation’s fragile coastline from the perils of offshore drilling.

## **COST**

Free of charge for both events

## **SPONSOR**

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## **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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