

CSX Hurricane Katrina Response



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When Hurricanes Katrina and Rita devastated the Gulf Coast, effectively shutting down rail yards and ports,

CSX called on First Response to quickly assess storm surge, wind and flood damage in vital buildings from Louisiana to Mississippi to Alabama.

First Response mobilized a small army of restoration specialists and hundreds of pieces of structural

drying equipment to quickly assess and remediate hurricane damaged structures so that the rail and

shipping infrastructures could be back on line as soon as possible to protect our economy. Teams were

dispatched to New Orleans and to Mobile, Alabama within 24 hours of the CSX call. Working long hours in

challenging conditions, the First Response team quickly fulfilled their mission operating from two base

camps—one in a secured perimeter in the Ninth Ward of New Orleans.
