



Thomas M. Cullen Jr.

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Thomas Cullen was appointed by Governor Jerry Brown as the Administrator of the California Office of Spill Prevention & Response (OSPR) in June 2012. Captain Cullen directs a team of scientists, environmental specialists, game wardens, and support personnel in protecting and preserving 3,427 miles of shoreline and 7,734 square miles of State waters from oil and other deleterious substances.

Prior to his appointment, Captain Cullen served in the United States Coast Guard for 31 years. From 2008 to 2010 he served as Deputy Commander of Coast Guard Sector San Francisco, CA, where he performed a wide-range of federal authorities in the San Francisco Bay region including Captain of the Port, Federal Maritime Security Coordinator, Federal On-Scene Coordinator, Officer-in-Charge of Maritime Inspections, and Search & Rescue Mission Coordinator in our nation's busiest and most diverse coastal region. He led 775 active duty, reserve & civilian personnel in protecting a strategic multi-port complex with the U.S.'s 4th largest container port, 9 other commercial ports, and 6 major refineries.

Captain Cullen's previous Coast Guard assignments include Chief of Response of the Eleventh Coast Guard District in Alameda, CA; Chief of Aeronautical Engineering at Air Station Cape Cod, Massachusetts; and Chief of Aircraft Systems in the Office of Aeronautical Engineering at Coast Guard Headquarters. A Coast Guard aviator, Captain Cullen flew more than 5,000 hours as pilot-in-command of the HU-25 jet aircraft. He received a Bachelor of Science in Ocean Engineering from the Coast Guard Academy and a Master of Science in Industrial Administration from Purdue University. He is also a certified Project Management Professional (PMP) and a licensed Airline Transport Pilot (ATP).

Captain Cullen and his family live in Novato, California.