

# **Del Norte County 015**

**Site #:** 015-217

**Name:** Pelican Beach

**Directions to Access Point A:** From U.S. Highway 101, turn west on White Rock Loop Rd., then enter the Pelican Beach State Park parking lot at north end of road (open sunrise to sunset).

**Directions to Access Point B:** Travel south on U.S. Highway 101 and pull off the highway at roadside turnout north of Gilbert Creek. A small trail leads down to the beach.

**Description:** Public access beach areas from California/Oregon border to Gilbert Creek.

**Boundary North:** California/Oregon State Border

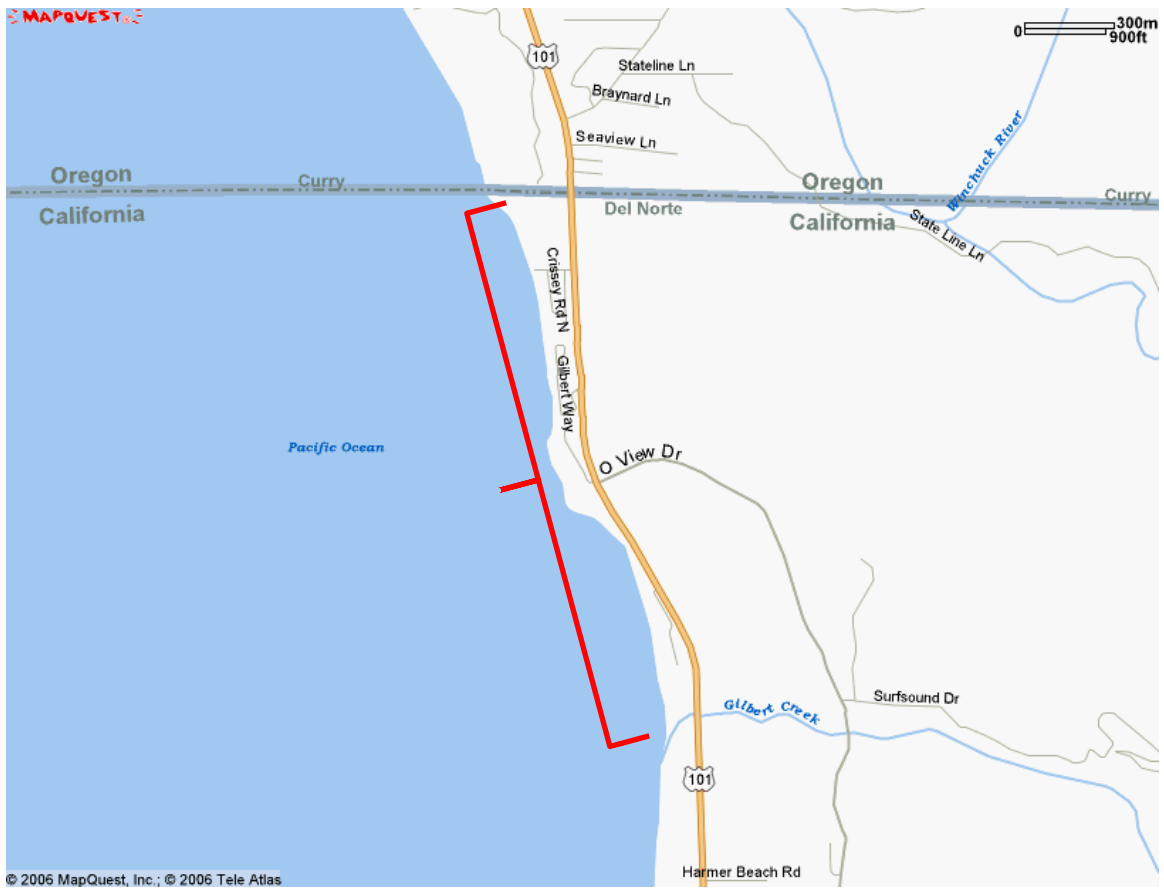
**Boundary South:** Gilbert Creek

**Available Modes:** Beach and Bank (BB)

**Cluster:** BB8, Subsite E

**Activity:** This site is very rarely used by anglers.

**Common Fish Species:**



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**Name:** Pelican Beach

**Site #:** 015-232

**Name:** Kamph Park

**Directions to Access Point A:** From U.S. Highway 101, turn west into Clifford Kamph Memorial Park parking lot. Use the trail to gain access to the beach.

**Description:** Public access beach areas from Gilbert Creek to Lopez Creek. Beach areas north of Gilbert Creek are also visible from this site. Smith River Rancheria Private Property prohibits access to Lopez Creek, so visually determine effort from the beach at the north end of the site.

**Boundary North:** Gilbert Creek

**Boundary South:** Lopez Creek

**Available Modes:** Beach and Bank (BB)

**Cluster:** BB8, Subsite D

**Activity:** This site is very rarely used by anglers.

**Common Fish Species:**



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**Name:** Kamph Park

**Site #:** 015-112

**Name:** Smith River

**Directions to Access Point A:** From U.S. Highway 101, turn west onto Mouth of the Smith River Rd. and park at the end of the road on the north side of the Smith River mouth.

**Directions to Access Point B:** From U.S. Highway 101, turn west onto Salmon Harbor Rd. and travel through the Salmon Harbor RV Park to the Office parking lot. A trail and stairs allow access to the bank of the Smith River through Private Property.

**Directions to Access Point C:** From U.S. Highway 101, turn west onto Chinook St. near the Ship Ashore Resort. Parking is available at the end of the road, near the boat launch, behind the hotel.

**Description:** This site is composed of rocky coastline from Lopez Creek to the Smith River estuary and extending upstream to the saltwater cutoff. The saltwater cutoff is at  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the distance upstream from the mouth to the 101 bridge. Smith River Rancheria Private Property prohibits access to Lopez Creek. The visible south bank of the estuary is the northern boundary of the Talawa site (015-201), but it is inaccessible.

**Boundary North:** Lopez Creek

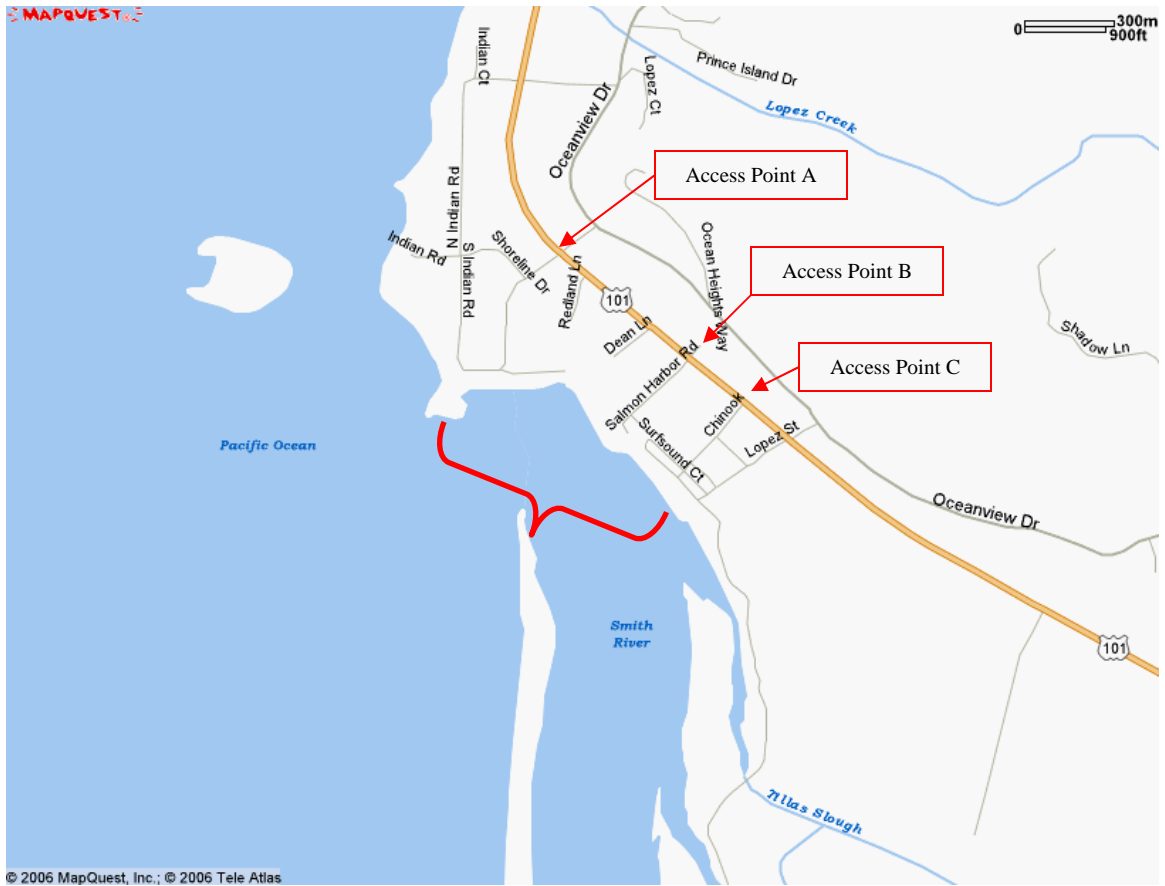
**Boundary South:** South side of the Smith River estuary

**Available Modes:** Beach and Bank (BB)  
Private/Rental (Primitive PR2)

**Cluster:** BB8, Subsite C

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months, but is also dependent upon current fishing regulations. Anglers are usually in BB mode on the north bank of the river. PR boat anglers also launch and return to the north bank of the river. Anglers on the south bank who fish in the river are in this site. Anglers fishing on the beach south of the estuary are in the Talawa site.

**Common Fish Species:** salmonid, surfperch



**Site #:** 015-201

**Name:** Talawa

**Directions to Access Point A:** From U.S. Highway 101, turn west onto Mouth of the Smith River Rd. and park at the end of the road on the north side of the Smith River mouth. The northern end of Talawa is visible from this vantage point.

**Directions to Access Point B:** From U.S. Highway 101, turn west onto Lake Earl Dr. and then turn west on Moorehead Rd. Turn north on Lower Lake Rd. and then west on Kellogg Rd. Park in the lot at the end of Kellogg Rd.

**Directions to Access Point C:** From U.S. Highway 101 in Crescent City, turn northwest onto Northcrest Rd. and then turn west onto Washington Rd. Follow Washington Rd. to its end at the Point Saint George Lighthouse parking lot. Follow the trail to gain access to the beach.

**Description:** This is a very large site. Access is limited, so binocular observations are a must without an off-road vehicle. Access points B and C have equal use by anglers, whereas access point A is rarely used due to its remoteness. The sampler must use his/her discretion, based upon vehicles, trailers, and visual observations, to determine at which access points to concentrate their sampling effort. An average amount of time to cover the entire site is about 25 min.

**Boundary North:** Southern side of the Smith River estuary

**Boundary South:** Point Saint George

**Available Modes:** Beach and Bank (BB)

**Cluster:** BB8, Subsite B

**Activity:** Anglers are rarely present. Sometimes anglers utilize off-road four wheel drive vehicles, at the Kellogg access point, to fish up and down the beach.

**Common Fish Species:** Surfperch

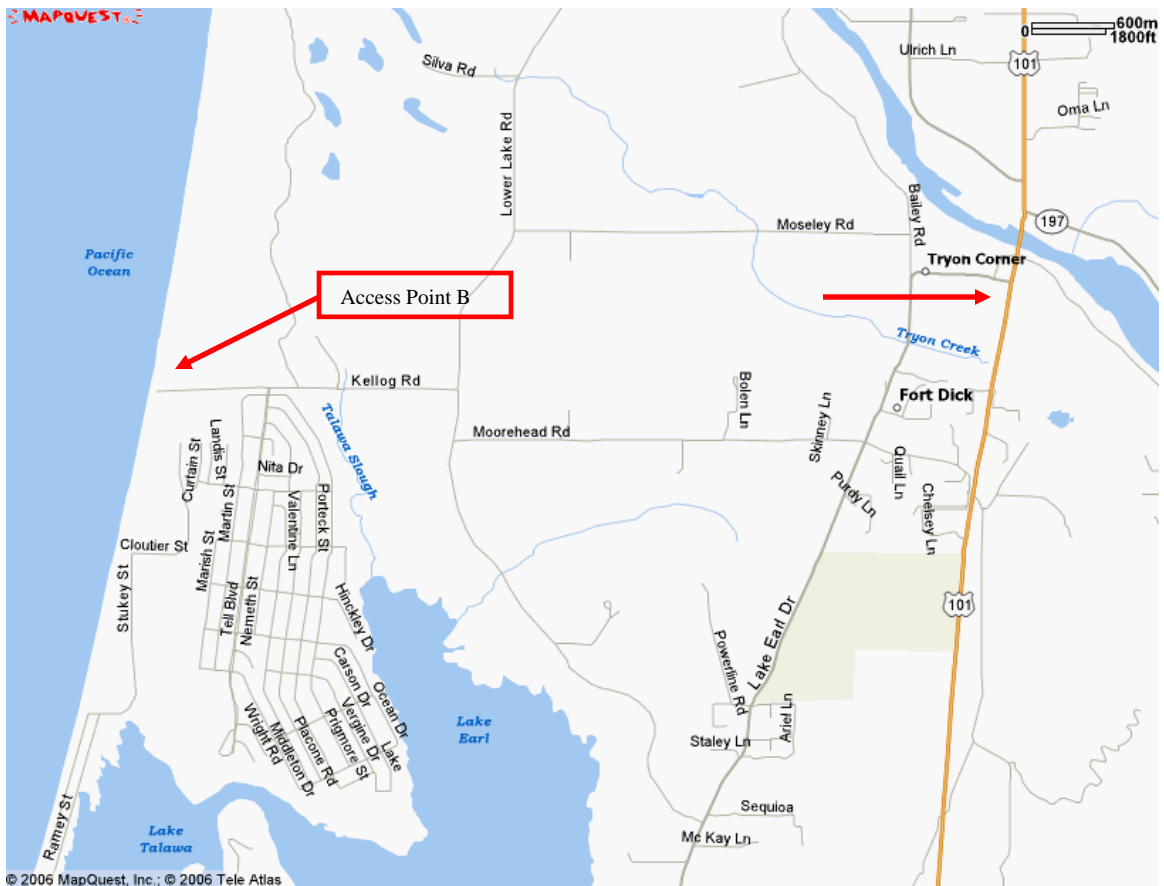


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**Name: Talawa**

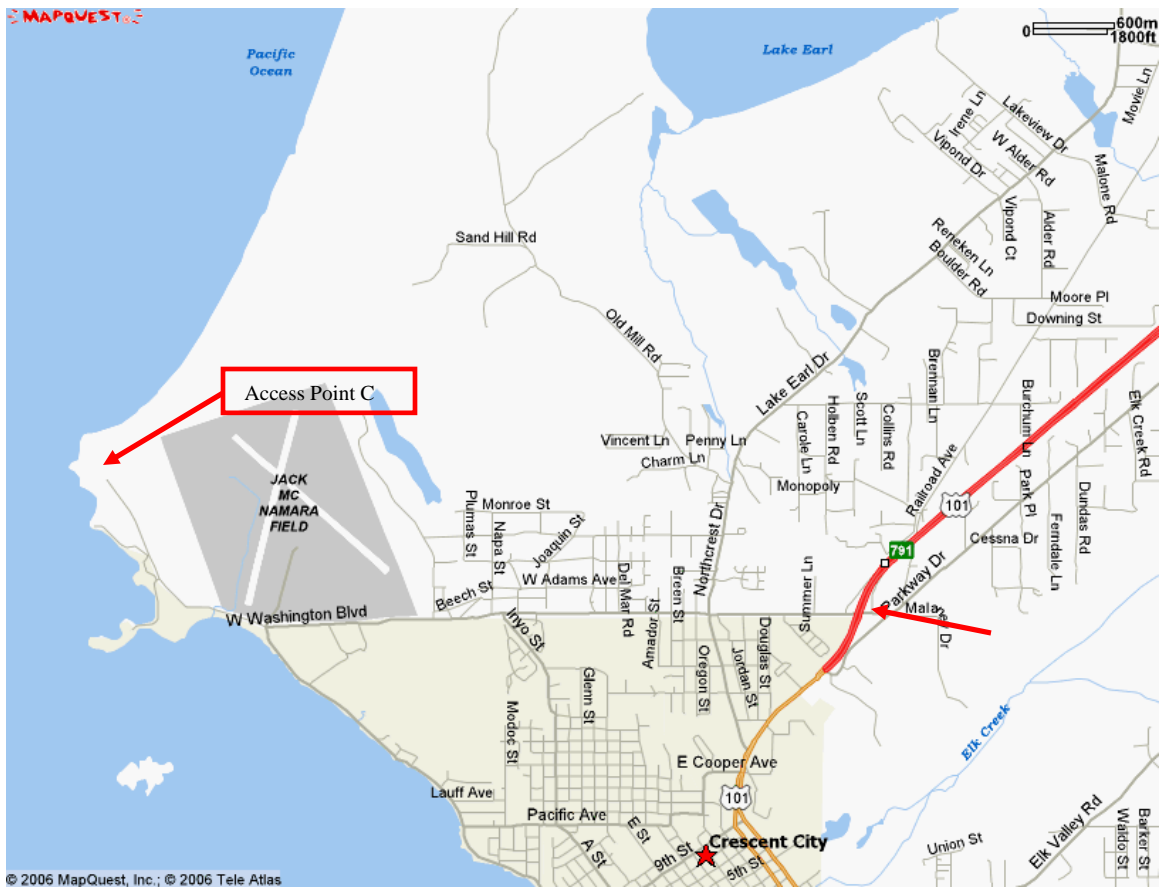
**Access Point A**



**Site #: 015-201**

**Name: Talawa**

**Access Point B**



Site #: 015-201

Name: Talawa

Access Point C

**Site #:** 015-202

**Name:** Point Saint George

**Directions to Access Point A:** From U.S. Highway 101 in Crescent City, turn northwest onto Northcrest Rd. and then turn west onto Washington Rd. Follow Washington Rd. to its end at the Point Saint George Lighthouse parking lot. Many trails on the bluffs allow public access to the beach. The southern end of Talawa is visible from here.

**Directions to Access Point B:** Coming from the north end of the site at access point A, turn east on Washington Rd. and then turn south on Pebble Beach Dr. Access to the beach is available at numerous turnouts along Pebble Beach Dr. Coming from the south end of the site at access point C, turn north on "A" St., east on Front St., north on B St., west on W. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., north on Wendell St., west on W. 5<sup>th</sup> St., north on Taylor St., west on 6<sup>th</sup> St., and finally turn north onto Pebble Beach Dr. There is access to the beach at the ends of the east to west running streets.

**Directions to Access Point C:** From U.S. Highway 101 in Crescent City, turn west on Front St. Follow Front St. to its end and turn south on "A" St. Parking is available at the end of the road, in the Battery Point Lighthouse parking lot.

**Description:** This site is a long stretch of beach along the west end of Crescent City, CA. There is a combination of high bluffs, sandy beaches, and rocky intertidal areas. All public access points are made accessible by turnouts along the roads and trails down to the beaches. Binocular observations are very helpful to determine fishing effort from on top of bluffs.

**Boundary North:** Point Saint George

**Boundary South:** Battery Point

**Available Modes:** Beach and Bank (BB)

**Cluster:** BB8, Subsite A

**Activity:** A combination of groundfishing and surfperch fishing is available at this site.

**Common Fish Species:**

**Site #:** 015-300

**Name:** North Jetty Crescent City

**Directions to Access Point:** From U.S. Highway 101 in Crescent City, turn west on Front St. Follow Front St. to its end and turn south on "A" St. Parking is available at the end of the road, in the Battery Point Lighthouse parking lot.

**Description:** This man-made site is comprised of only the north jetty.

**Boundary North:** A locked gate at the south end of the Battery Point parking lot.

**Boundary South:** The dolos at the end of the jetty.

**Available Modes:** Man-made (MM)

**Cluster:** EUR6A

**Activity:**

**Common Fish Species:**

**Site #:** 015-302

**Name:** Citizen's Dock

**Directions to Access Point:** From U.S. Highway 101 in Crescent City, turn west on Citizen's Dock Rd. and park in the public parking lot at the end of the road.

**Description:** This site is the public access dock and fishing licenses are not required. Citizen's Dock is comprised of a concrete pier where multiple privately owned fish buying companies operate. Anglers may fish in various locations along the dock between buildings. Be aware of commercial operations which may be occurring. For safety and courtesy purposes, stay out of the way of dock personnel who may be operating hoists, refueling boats, etc.

**Boundary North:**

**Boundary South:**

**Available Modes:** Man-made (MM)

**Cluster:** EUR6B

**Activity:** Fishing and crabbing are prevalent at this site year round.

**Common Fish Species:** Jacksmelt, surfperch

**Site #:** 015-314

**Name:** Michael J. Schruzzo Fishing Pier

**Directions:** From U.S. Highway 101 in Crescent City, turn west on Front St. Follow Front St. and turn south on “B” St. Parking is available at the end of “B” St.

**Description:** This man-made site is comprised of only the public pier where surrounded on three sides by water. Fishing licenses are not required at this site.

**Boundary North**

**Boundary South**

**Available Modes:** Man-made (MM)

**Cluster:** EUR6C

**Activity:** Fishing and crabbing are prevalent at this site year round.

**Common Fish Species:** Osmeridae, Surfperch

**Site #** 015-400

**Name:** Crescent City Harbor (CRL)

**Directions:** From U.S. Highway 101 in Crescent City, turn west on Anchor Way. Park in the lot so as to be nearest to the boat launches.

**Description:** The two two-lane boat launches at this harbor are open access to the public, but require a self paid fee before boat launching. This site is where most of the PR ocean fishing effort is concentrated in Crescent City. Man-made mode fishing occurs on the floating dock and the small breakwaters that shelter the boat launch staging area.

**Boundary North**

**Boundary South**

**Available Modes:** Man-Made (MM) and Private/Rental (PR1 & 2)

**Cluster:** EUR6D

**Activity:** Sportfishing, crabbing, cruising, and law enforcement.

**Common Fish Species:** Bottomfish, Salmon, Surfperch

**Site #** 015-301

**Name:** Inner Boat Basin (CRD)

**Directions:** From U.S. Highway 101 in Crescent City, turn west on Anchor Way. Parking in the Chart Room restaurant parking lot, near the gangways to the floating docks, allows for easy access to finished anglers.

**Description:** This site is composed of a small jetty and numerous seasonal floating docks next to the Chart Room restaurant. Seasonally from about May to October, seasonal docks are deployed in the bay for rental by private skiff operators. The CPFV, Tally Ho II, is also seasonally operated here and the jetty provides the access point for anglers. There is not a boat launch at this site, so trailer counts are zero. Boats are typically launched at Crescent City Harbor (#015-400) and then docked in rented slips at this site.

**Boundary North**

**Boundary South**

**Available Modes:** Man-Made (MM), Private Charter (PC), and Private/Rental (PR1 & 2)

**Cluster:** EUR6E

**Activity:**

**Common Fish Species:** Bottomfish, Salmon

**Site #** 015-303

**Name:** South Jetty Crescent City

**Directions:** From U.S. Highway 101 in Crescent City, turn west on Anchor Way. Parking at the far west end of the parking lot allows for easy access to anglers leaving this site.

**Description:** This site consists of the rocky jetty by the Coast Guard Station and at the Whalers Groin where the rocks are surrounded by water on three sides. Bonus interviews can be conducted for eligible anglers in a different mode than MM i.e. BB.

**Boundary North**

**Boundary South**

**Available Modes:** Man-Made (MM)

**Cluster:** EUR6F

**Activity:**

**Common Fish Species:** Surfperch, Bottomfish, Monkeyfaced Prickleback

**Site #:** 015-218

**Name:** Enderts

**Directions to Access Point A:** From U.S. Highway 101, turn off the highway just south of Anchor Way at the south end of Crescent City, CA.

**Directions to Access Point B:** From U.S. Highway 101, turn west onto Enderts Rd. Follow Enderts Rd. to the day use picnic area half way down the road.

**Directions to Access Point C:** From U.S. Highway 101, turn west onto Enderts Rd. Follow Enderts Rd. to the end and park at the Enderts Beach overlook parking lot.

**Description:** Enderts Beach is also known as south beach in Crescent City. The beach is popular with surfers, wood gatherers, beachcombers, and anglers. Anglers mostly fish on the beach, but they also fish on the rock armored bank of Anchor Way. Access Points A and B allow for access to eligible anglers while Access Point C is an overlook that provides a long view of the beach for angler effort estimates.

**Boundary North:** Anchor Way and the Whalers Groin

**Boundary South:** Nickel Creek

**Available Modes:** Beach and Bank (BB)

**Cluster:** BB7, Subsite C

**Activity:** Anglers at this site fish on the beach or the rocky bank.

**Common Fish Species:**

**Site #** 015- 219

**Name:** Wilson Creek

**Directions:** From U.S. Highway 101, turn off the highway at the public parking lots by Wilson and Lagoon Creeks. Parking lots are located at the north and south ends of this site.

**Description:** This site is also called False Klamath Cove. It consists of all the beaches and banks along the ocean between Wilson Creek and Lagoon Creek. Fishing effort is prominent at this site during the summer months.

**Boundary North:** Wilson Creek

**Boundary South:** Lagoon Creek

**Available Modes:** Beach and Bank (BB)

**Cluster:** BB7, subsite B

**Activity:**

**Common Fish Species:** Surfperch

**Site #** 015- 222

**Name:** Klamath River

**Directions:** From U.S. Highway 101, turn west onto Klamath Beach Rd. Follow Klamath Beach Rd. west and park at the turnout near the mouth of the river. The road continues up the bluff that overlooks the river mouth. The area on the bluff provides a vantage point to observe both sides of the Klamath River estuary.

**Description:** From Klamath Beach Rd. access to the wave slope is attained by hiking along the southern river bank. Anglers typically fish near the river mouth which is currently close to the north bank. Anglers should be counted on both the north and south river banks. After observing angler effort from the road where it overlooks the river mouth, anglers eligible for interview can be intercepted at the road turnouts or on the beach if time allows. The upper boundary of this site is the saltwater cutoff at  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the distance to the Highway 101 Bridge.

**Boundary North:**

**Boundary South:**

**Available Modes:** Beach and Bank (BB)

**Cluster:** BB7, subsite A

**Activity:**

**Common Fish Species:**