

**Site #:** 100

**Name:** Noyo River

**Directions to Access Point A: Noyo River** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn east onto Highway 20. Turn left onto South Harbor Dr. and follow the road past the first boat launch to the “main” upper river boat launch.

**Description:** This is a major boat launch that most anglers utilize. It can hold approximately 60+ trailers. The sampler should position his/her vehicle so that boats coming in can be seen. It is best to park parallel with river along the white curb at the right top of launch. This also allows the vehicle to be a centralized “home base” with the necessary gear and information. This is primarily the PR1 site, however, when both rockfish and salmon season are closed it is a MMPR2 site.

**Boundary North:** Dolphin Cove

**Boundary South:** Boat Basin

**Available Modes:** Man Made (MM), Private/Rental (PR1)

**Cluster:** WIN5 B

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months, but also dependent upon the fishing regulations. During the summer this launch gets slammed. There is a lot of abalone, crab, Chinook salmon, and ground fish brought in and the sampler should be on the look out for any illegal fish (that come in with some regularity).

**Common Fish Species:** Abalone, Crab, Chinook Salmon, Coho Salmon (illegal), Lingcod, Cabezon, Blue Rockfish, Black Rockfish, Vermilion Rockfish, Olive Rockfish, Yellowtail Rockfish, Gopher Rockfish, China Rockfish, Quillback Rockfish, Yellow and Black Rockfish, Canary Rockfish (illegal), Yelloweye Rockfish (illegal) (among other species of rockfish), Kelp and Rock Greenling, Striped Perch, Shiner Perch, Albacore, Sanddab.

**Site #:** 103

**Name:** Pt. Arena

**Directions to Access Point A: Point Arena Lighthouse (Stornetta Ranch)** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west on to Light House Rd. There will be a dirt parking area with an access sign for Stornetta Ranch and should be checked for angler effort first. Continue to follow the road to the lighthouse and along the way check the headlands for angler status.

**Directions to Access Point B: Point Arena Pier** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west on to Iversen Rd. / Pt. Arena Pier. The road will end at the harbor parking lot.

**Directions to Access Point C: Moat Creek** - From U.S. Highway 1, south of Pt. Arena, turn west at Moat Creek. There is a gate that remains open during the day. There is no sign indicating Moat Creek from the road. From the parking area a dirt path will lead out to the beach.

**Description:** All three sites are dominated by rocky cliffs and a rocky intertidal zone. Pt. Arena Lighthouse has a lot of rocky out crops that allow access to the water below. The cove (enclosed on the north and south) at the Pier has numerous fingers that are exposed at low tide and allow anglers access further out. The sampler should position his/her car so that they are able to watch those anglers on the pier along with boats coming in. Fishing licenses are not required on the pier. Moat Creek also has a lot of rocky out crops and a small cove.

**Boundary North:** Garcia River

**Boundary South:** Moat Creek

**Available Modes:** Beach and Bank (BB), Man Made (MM), Private/Rental (PR2)

**Cluster:** WIN3 BB, WIN3 subsite A

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months, but dependent on fishing regulations. When abalone season is open the Pt. Arena Lighthouse, as well as Moat Creek, are dominated by BB anglers with spear guns and Hawaiian slings. The Pt. Arena Pier is constantly busy. There are always MM anglers on the pier either fishing or crabbing, BB anglers on the rocks, and PR2 boats (all forms of fishing available depending on fishing regulations).

**Common Fish Species:** Rainbow perch, Striped Perch, Shiner Perch, Silver Perch, Smelt, Cabezon, Black Rockfish, Blue Rockfish, Gopher Rockfish, Vermilion Rockfish, China Rockfish (along with various other species of Rockfish) Lingcod, Kelp Greenling, Rock Greenling, Sand dabs, and Chinook Salmon.

**Site #:** 207

**Name:** Anchor Bay

**Directions to Access Point A: Anchor Bay** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west at Anchor Bay Campground. This is a private campground and it is necessary to stop at the office to explain the purpose of the survey. In the winter parking can be found near the beach, however, in the summer parking must be taken at the designated 'Day Use Parking Area' or otherwise denoted by the camp host. The host will usually let you park at one of first camping sites.

**Directions to Access Point B: Cooks Beach** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west on to the road CR-526, across from Cook Ct. There is a dirt pull out immediately on the right and a trail head that leads out to the cliffs. The entire cove is visible from this view.

**Directions to Access Point C: Gualala River** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west on to the dirt road just north of the Gualala River Bridge. The bridge separates Mendocino County from Sonoma County. The road allows access to the river and parking is available anywhere.

**Description:** This site is dominated by sandy beaches with some exposed rocks at low tide. Anchor Bay becomes incredibly crowded during the summer months. Trailers will line the east wall and small sport boats along the north wall, these are not to be included in your trailer counts. Only those trailers in the parking lot are included. The Gualala River is brackish water and only sample those anglers fishing west of the bridge.

**Boundary North:** Steens Landing

**Boundary South:** Gualala River Bridge

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

**Cluster:** WIN3 BB, WIN3 subsite B

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months at Anchor Bay, but also dependent upon fishing regulations. Anglers are usually in the PR mode from either boat or kayak. BB anglers also return to the shore from abalone diving with spear guns or Hawaiian slings. Cooks Beach and the Gualala River are rarely used by anglers.

**Common Fish Species:** Striped Perch, Kelp Greenling, Rock Greenling, Cabezon, Lingcod, Salmon, Black Rockfish, Blue Rockfish, Gopher Rockfish, China Rockfish, Vermilion Rockfish (along with various other rockfish species), and Chinook Salmon

**Site #:** 211

**Name:** Manchester

**Directions to Access Point A: Alder Creek** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west on to the access road just south of Alder Creek Bridge. The road will reach a dead end circle and the beach is about a 5 minute walk from the parking area. However, due to recent storm activity the road is closed. The sampler can park at the turn off and walk approximately 15-20 minutes one way to the site. The sampler should use their judgment on effort if there are no cars parked at the turn out.

**Directions to Access Point B: Manchester Beach** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west on to Kinney Rd. and parking is available at the end of the road. Posted beach trails will lead to various points on the beach.

**Directions to Access Point C: Manchester Beach** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west on to Stoneboro Rd. and follow the main road to the parking area at the end. A trail at the parking area will allow access out to the beach.

**Description:** This is a very large site that covers a lot of beach and flat shoreline. The sample range for all three access points is the entire beach of which you can see, therefore, binoculars are recommended. Each site has a 5-10 minute walk to the beach from the trail head.

**Boundary North:** Manchester

**Boundary South:** Garcia River

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

**Cluster:** WIN3 BB

**Activity:** Alder Creek is a hot spot for steelhead fisherman and it is up to the sampler whether he/she interviews the angler since they are fishing in the river. The saltwater cut off is ¼ mile from the mouth of the river. Anglers on the beach tend to stay close to the mouth of the river to fish for surfperch and are rarely present at the Manchester State Beach sites.

**Common Fish Species:** Red tail surf perch, steelhead

**Site #:** 103

**Name:** Pt. Arena

**Directions to Access Point A: Point Arena Lighthouse (Stornetta Ranch)** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west on to Light House Rd. There will be a dirt parking area with an access sign for Stornetta Ranch and should be checked for angler effort first. Continue to follow the road to the lighthouse and along the way check the headlands for angler status.

**Directions to Access Point B: Point Arena Pier** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west on to Iversen Rd. / Pt. Arena Pier. The road will end at the harbor parking lot.

**Directions to Access Point C: Moat Creek** - From U.S. Highway 1, south of Pt. Arena, turn west at Moat Creek. There is a gate that remains open during the day. There is no sign indicating Moat Creek from the road. From the parking area a dirt path will lead out to the beach.

**Description:** All three sites are dominated by rocky cliffs and a rocky intertidal zone. Pt. Arena Lighthouse has a lot of rocky out crops that allow access to the water below. The cove (enclosed on the north and south) at the Pier has numerous fingers that are exposed at low tide and allow anglers access further out. The sampler should position his/her car so that they are able to watch those anglers on the pier along with boats coming in. Fishing licenses are not required on the pier. Moat Creek also has a lot of rocky out crops and a small cove.

**Boundary North:** Garcia River

**Boundary South:** Moat Creek

**Available Modes:** Beach and Bank (BB), Man Made (MM), Private/Rental (PR2)

**Cluster:** WIN3 BB, WIN3 subsite A

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months, but dependent on fishing regulations. When abalone season is open the Pt. Arena Lighthouse, as well as Moat Creek, are dominated by BB anglers with spear guns and Hawaiian slings. The Pt. Arena Pier is constantly busy. There are always MM anglers on the pier either fishing or crabbing, BB anglers on the rocks, and PR2 boats (all forms of fishing available depending on fishing regulations).

**Common Fish Species:** Rainbow perch, Striped Perch, Shiner Perch, Silver Perch, Smelt, Cabezon, Black Rockfish, Blue Rockfish, Gopher Rockfish, Vermilion Rockfish, China Rockfish (along with various other species of Rockfish) Lingcod, Kelp Greenling, Rock Greenling, Sand dabs, and Chinook Salmon.

**Site #:** 212

**Name:** Saunders Reef

**Directions to Access Point:** From U.S. Highway 1, turn west on to the south facing parking lot at Saunders Reef. The parking lot is north of Schooners Gulch Bridge. There are numerous trail heads that leads out to the cliffs or down to the beach itself. Just past the bridge is a good look out spot to determine if there are any anglers present.

**Description:** This site is a long stretch of sandy beach with rocky out crops and steep cliffs. Binoculars are needed to see the entire area.

**Boundary North:** Bowling Ball Beach

**Boundary South:** Steens Landing

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

**Cluster:** WIN3 BB

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

**Common Fish Species:** None to date.

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**Directions to Access Point B: Cooks Beach** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west on to the road CR-526, across from Cook Ct. There is a dirt pull out immediately on the right and a trail head that leads out to the cliffs. The entire cove is visible from this view.

**Directions to Access Point C: Gualala River** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west on to the dirt road just north of the Gualala River Bridge. The bridge separates Mendocino County from Sonoma County. The road allows access to the river and parking is available anywhere.

**Description:** This site is dominated by sandy beaches with some exposed rocks at low tide. Anchor Bay becomes incredibly crowded during the summer months. Trailers will line the east wall and small sport boats along the north wall, these are not to be included in your trailer counts. Only those trailers in the parking lot are included. The Gualala River is brackish water and only sample those anglers fishing west of the bridge.

**Boundary North:** Steens Landing

**Boundary South:** Gualala River Bridge

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

**Cluster:** WIN3 BB, WIN3 subsite B

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months at Anchor Bay, but also dependent upon fishing regulations. Anglers are usually in the PR mode from either boat or kayak. BB anglers also return to the shore from abalone diving with spear guns or Hawaiian slings. Cooks Beach and the Gualala River are rarely used by anglers.

**Common Fish Species:** Striped Perch, Kelp Greenling, Rock Greenling, Cabezon, Lingcod, Salmon, Black Rockfish, Blue Rockfish, Gopher Rockfish, China Rockfish, Vermilion Rockfish (along with various other rockfish species), and Chinook Salmon

**Site #:** 210

**Name:** Elk

**Directions to Access Point A: Greenwood Creek** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the Greenwood State Beach parking lot. Follow the trail from the parking lot and it will eventually split. One trail leads down to the beach and the other leads to a look out point. The entire beach is visible from the look out point and angler effort can be determined.

**Description:** Greenwood Creek is a flat sandy beach, with the creek on the south end, and large rocks close to shore. It is a small cove with cliffs enclosing it on the north and south. Kayaks are often carted down to the beach. Both Elk Creek and Irish Beach are within site 210, however, private property must be crossed first and so these sites are not sampled.

**Boundary North:** Navarro River

**Boundary South:** Manchester

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

**Cluster:** WIN4 BB

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest during the summer months, especially for kayaks (PR2). Shore based anglers occur year round. There may be abalone divers with spear guns, depending on the fishing regulations. In the past there have been fishing derbies (from kayak).

**Common Fish Species:** Abalone, Surf perch, Kelp greenlings, Lingcod, Vermilion Rockfish, Blue Rockfish, Black Rockfish, Gopher Rockfish, China Rockfish, along with various other Rockfish species.



**Site #:** 102

**Name:** Albion

**Directions to Access Point A: Albion River Campground** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn east onto Albion River N. Side, north of the Albion Bridge. Follow the road down into the campground. Parking is available at both launch areas, however, vehicle should be positioned to maximize sight.

**Directions to Access Point B: Navarro Bluffs** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the Navarro Bluffs where the Coastal Access sign is. There will be a small parking lot with various trails leading out to the bluffs. If there are no cars present then most likely there will be no anglers.

**Directions to Access Point C: Navarro River** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto Navarro River State Beach. The road will lead to the beach and a dirt parking lot at the end. North West of the Navarro River Bridge are pull outs that provide access as look out points. The entire beach can be seen from here and angler effort determined

**Description:** Albion River Campground has 2 main launch sites that are tidally influenced. Both are included in the arrival and departure trailer counts. The primary launch is located up river, while the secondary launch is located down river, near the mouth. When the tide is low the secondary launch is used more often. The sampler should position his/her car so that boats going to both launches can be determined. Many boats are privately docked and may run further up river out of the sample site. The Navarro Beach is flat and sandy ranging from the river mouth to the south cliffs.

**Boundary North:** Albion River

**Boundary South:** Navarro River

**Available Modes:** Beach and Bank (BB), Man Made (MM), Private/Rental (PR2)

**Cluster:** WIN4 BB, WIN4 subsite C

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months, but is also dependent upon current fishing regulations. All modes of fishing are present at Albion (BB, MM, and PR2). The Navarro Bluffs are rarely used by anglers, however, if present are abalone diving often with spear guns. Anglers are most often in the BB mode at the Navarro River or from kayaks, PR2.

**Common Fish Species:** Abalone, Crab, Chinook Salmon, Coho Salmon (illegal) Lingcod, Kelp Greenling, Blue Rockfish, Black Rockfish, Vermilion Rockfish, Gopher Rockfish, China Rockfish, Yellowtail Rockfish, Copper Rockfish (among other species of rockfish), Striped Perch, and Red Tail Perch.

**Site #:** 206

**Name:** Van Damme

**Directions to Access Point A: Brewery Gulch** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the vista point across from Brewery Gulch Inn, and south of Road 500B.

**Directions to Access Point B: Spring Ranch** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the dirt parking lot across from Gordon Ln. Follow the dirt trail approx ½ mile to the headlands.

**Directions to Access Point C: Van Damme** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the Van Damme State Park (Little River) parking lot.

**Directions to Access Point D: Buckhorn Cove** – From U.S. Highway 1, there will be a small pull out on the west side of the road just south of the Victorian Farmhouse. There are no signs or postings of this site but near mile marker 47.07. Park on the pull out and walk a few feet south. There will be a trail that leads down into the cove.

**Description:** Van Damme Cove has a sandy beach with lots of rocks that are exposed at low tide. Boats are able to launch from the beach. Spring Ranch and Brewery Gulch are headlands that have access points down into the ocean. Spring Ranch is a large area so ensure to cover enough ground for adequate sampling. Binoculars are useful. Buckhorn Cove is predominately a rocky site.

**Boundary North:** Big River

**Boundary South:** Buckhorn Cove

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

**Cluster:** WIN4 BB, WIN4 subsite B

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months, but also dependent upon the fishing regulations. Van Damme has an influx of abalone divers, often with spear guns, due to the shelter that the cove provides. There is a combination of BB and PR2 anglers targeting surf perch, ground fish, salmon, or abalone. Anglers also try for surf perch from shore. Anglers are mostly abalone diving and/or spear fishing from Brewery Gulch, Spring Ranch, and Buckhorn Cove.

**Common Fish Species:** Abalone, Crab, Striped Perch, Black Surf Perch, Kelp Greenling, Black Rockfish, Blue Rockfish, Gopher Rockfish, Black and Yellow Rockfish (among other species of rockfish), Lingcod, Cabezon, Chinook Salmon, Coho Salmon (illegal).

**Site #:** 205

**Name:** Mendocino

**Directions to Access Point A: Russian Gulch State Park** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto Pt. Cabrillo Dr / Russian Gulch State Park. Identify yourself to the Park Ranger in the front booth. From this road the first left leads to the headlands parking area. Otherwise, continue straight down into the gulch and park at the end near the beach.

**Directions to Access Point B: Road 500D** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto Road 500D. Parking is available at the end of the road. Trails from the parking area lead out to the headlands.

**Directions to Access Point B: Mendocino Headlands** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto Lansing St. and then onto Hesser Rd. Hesser Rd. will follow along the headlands. There are a few parking spots along the way to stop. Walk the headlands at each spot to determine angler effort, making an adequate sweep of the area. Access can also be obtained from Main St. to the south.

**Directions to Access Point C: Big River** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn east onto N. Big River Rd. Follow the road as it curves down and heads east towards the boat launch.

**Description:** There are two main fishing locations within Russian Gulch State Park. These are the headlands and the beach parking lot. The headlands are spread out so ensure enough ground is covered for adequate sampling. Binoculars are useful. Many anglers launch kayaks or boats from the beach. South of Russian Gulch Bridge there is another access point from the headlands into Mendocino Bay (at the end of Road 500D) that anglers utilize. These headlands can be seen from the Russian Gulch State Park Headlands, so angler effort may be determined from here. The Mendocino Headlands is a very large area. The only way to cover the entire headlands is to drive to each parking spot and then walk it. It takes approx ½ hr to 45 min. depending on angler effort. Big River is a long, sandy beach with the boat launch up river. The boat launch is the main sample site, however, the sampler should walk to the mouth of the river to assess if there is angler effort from the beach.

**Boundary North:** Russian Gulch

**Boundary South:** Big River

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

**Cluster:** WIN4 BB, WIN4 subsite A

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months, but also dependent upon the fishing regulations. The Headlands at Russian Gulch State Park have anglers fishing in the BB mode for ground fish. Boaters and kayakers, PR2, are commonly targeting abalone, ground fish, or salmon. BB anglers at location 500D are often abalone diving

and/or spear fishing. BB anglers fishing from the Mendocino Headlands are also targeting ground fish. Big River is rarely used by fin-fish anglers, however, commonly by crabbers.

**Common Fish Species:** Abalone, Crab, Kelp Greenling, Cabezon, Lingcod, Black Rockfish, Blue Rockfish (among other rockfish species), Chinook Salmon.

**Site #:** 204

**Name:** Fort Bragg

**Directions to Access Point A: Pudding Creek** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the beach access parking area with a sign indicating ‘Old Haul Rd.’. It is just north of Pudding Creek Bridge. From the parking area walk out onto the headlands and make an adequate sweep of the sample area.

**Directions to Access Point B: Glass Beach** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto Elm St. and follow the road to Glass Beach. There are signs posted and a dirt parking area. There are two main trails that lead out to the beach and can be taken in a loop so that a majority of the area is covered.

**Directions to Access Point C: Jetty** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn east onto N. Harbor Dr. The road down into the harbor will lead to the parking area for the Jetty (dead end).

**Directions to Access Point D: Todds Point (Pomo Bluffs)** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto Ocean View Dr and continue onto Cliff Way. The entire headlands are a part of Todds Point and an adequate sweep should be made of the sample area.

**Directions to Access Point E: Hare Creek** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto Old Coast Highway and continue west on Cypress Rd. There is a dirt pull out next to a wooden fence where parking is available and a stair case that leads down to the beach.

**Directions to Access Point F: Jefferson Way** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto Jefferson Way and follow the road until it dead ends. Follow the trail out onto the headlands.

**Directions to Access Point G: Pull out** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the dirt pull out just north of Jughandle. It is near a sign that indicates ‘Shoreline Highway’. Follow the trail out onto the headlands.

**Directions to Access Point H: Jughandle State Reserve** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the Jughandle State Reserve parking area. Follow the trails out onto the headlands walking around the entire perimeter for an adequate sweep of the sample area.

**Directions to Access Point I: Caspar Beach** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto Pt. Cabrillo Dr. and follow the road until you reach Casper Beach.

**Description:** There is a lot of different terrain within this large sample site. It is mostly headlands with accessible sandy beaches. (matt-if you want me to go into detail about each one let me know).

**Boundary North:** Pudding Creek

**Boundary South:** Caspar Creek

**Available Modes:** Man Made (MM), Beach and Bank (BB), Private/Rental (PR2)

**Cluster:** WIN5 BB, WIN5 subsite E

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months, but also dependent upon the fishing regulations. Shore based anglers (BB) are the prevalent mode. However, PR2 is accessible from the Jetty and Casper Beach. During the summer months there is an influx of abalone divers, with spear guns, at Casper Beach, Jughandle, the 'pull-out' north of Jughandle, Todds Pt., and the Jetty.

**Common Fish Species:** Abalone, Crab, Striped Perch, Lingcod, Cabezon, Kelp and Rock Greenling, Blue Rockfish (among other rockfish species).

**Site #:** 400

**Name:** North Noyo Harbor

**Directions to Access Point A:** From U.S. Highway 1, turn east onto N. Harbor Dr. Follow the road down into the harbor and it will lead to the Noyo Bridge. Parking is available on the dirt pull out by the bridge.

**Description:** This site is primarily used to sample Private Charter boats that come in. The entire harbor is included in the sample site, which consists of many private docks, and a man made structure by the Noyo River Bridge. The sampler should position his/her vehicle near the bridge so that all boats coming in can be seen until they go around the furthest bend (near the boat basin). The sampler should also make periodic checks for anglers fishing from the docks.

**Boundary North:** Noyo Bridge

**Boundary South:** Noyo River

**Available Modes:** Man Made (MM), Private/Rental (PR2), Private Charter (PC)

**Cluster:** WIN5 subsite D

**Activity:** Shore based anglers (MM) occur year round but are usually more abundant when Dungeness crab season is open, however, anglers usually sit near the Noyo River Bridge on the rocks. There are the occasional anglers who fish from the docks. Fishing effort is highest for PC boats during Chinook Salmon and Rockfish season. North Noyo is rarely used by anglers in the PR2 mode.

**Common Fish Species:** Crab, Chinook Salmon, Lingcod, Cabezon, Blue Rockfish, Black Rockfish, Vermilion Rockfish, Olive Rockfish, Yellowtail Rockfish, Gopher Rockfish, China Rockfish, Quillback Rockfish, Yellow and Black Rockfish (among other species of rockfish), Kelp and Rock Greenling, Shiner Perch, Herring, Anchovies.

**Site #:** 104

**Name:** South Harbor District

**Directions to Access Point A: South Harbor District** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn east onto Highway 20. Turn left onto South Harbor Dr. and the road will dead end at the boat launch.

**Description:** This is the secondary boat launch that anglers utilize. There is a large parking area that allows for approximately 40+ trailers. The sampler should position his/her vehicle so that boats coming in can be seen.

**Boundary North:** Noyo River

**Boundary South:** N/A

**Available Modes:** Man Made (MM), Private/Rental (PR2)

**Cluster:** WIN 5 subsite C

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months, but also dependent upon the fishing regulations. During the summer this launch gets busy. There is a lot of abalone, crab, Chinook salmon, and ground fish brought in and the sampler should be on the look out for any illegal fish (that come in with some regularity).

**Common Fish Species:** Abalone, Crab, Chinook Salmon, Coho Salmon (illegal), Lingcod, Cabezon, Canary Rockfish (illegal), Yelloweye Rockfish (illegal), Blue Rockfish, Black Rockfish, Vermilion Rockfish, Olive Rockfish, Yellowtail Rockfish, Gopher Rockfish, China Rockfish, Quillback Rockfish, Yellow and Black Rockfish (among other species of rockfish), Kelp and Rock Greenling, Striped Perch, Albacore, Sanddab.



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**Name:** Noyo River

**Directions to Access Point A: Noyo River** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn east onto Highway 20. Turn left onto South Harbor Dr. and follow the road past the first boat launch to the “main” upper river boat launch.

**Description:** This is a major boat launch that most anglers utilize. It can hold approximately 60+ trailers. The sampler should position his/her vehicle so that boats coming in can be seen. This also allows the vehicle to be a centralized “home base” with the necessary gear and information. This is primarily the PR1 site, however, when both rockfish and salmon season are closed it is a MMPR2 site.

**Boundary North:** Dolphin Cove

**Boundary South:** Boat Basin

**Available Modes:** Man Made (MM), Private/Rental (PR1)

**Cluster:** WIN5 B

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months, but also dependent upon the fishing regulations. During the summer this launch gets slammed. There is a lot of abalone, crab, Chinook salmon, and ground fish brought in and the sampler should be on the look out for any illegal fish (that come in with some regularity).

**Common Fish Species:** Abalone, Crab, Chinook Salmon, Coho Salmon (illegal), Lingcod, Cabezon, Blue Rockfish, Black Rockfish, Vermilion Rockfish, Olive Rockfish, Yellowtail Rockfish, Gopher Rockfish, China Rockfish, Quillback Rockfish, Yellow and Black Rockfish, Canary Rockfish (illegal), Yelloweye Rockfish (illegal) (among other species of rockfish), Kelp and Rock Greenling, Striped Perch, Shiner Perch, Albacore, Sanddab.

**Site #:** 101

**Name:** Dolphin Cove

**Directions to Access Point A: Dolphin Cove** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn east onto Highway 20. Turn left onto South Harbor Dr. and follow the road past both boat launches to Dolphin Cove.

**Description:** Dolphin Cove (D.C.) is a small private Marina. During the summer months there are river slips (north side of D.C.) that are put up to allow for more boat capacity. Both areas should be monitored. The sampler should position his/her vehicle so that those boats continuing past D.C. to the river slips can be seen. There is a filleted station on the river slips that many boats utilize to clean their fish before returning to their slip in D.C.

**Boundary North:** River Slips

**Boundary South:** Noyo River

**Available Modes:** Man Made (MM), Private/Rental (PR2)

**Cluster:** WIN5 subsite A

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months, but also dependent upon the fishing regulations. There is a high volume of boats that come into D.C. in the summer months. Chinook salmon, all ground fish, abalone, and crab are most commonly targeted.

**Common Fish Species:** Abalone, Crab, Chinook Salmon, Coho Salmon (illegal), Lingcod, Cabezon, Blue Rockfish, Black Rockfish, Vermilion Rockfish, Olive Rockfish, Yellowtail Rockfish, Gopher Rockfish, China Rockfish, Quillback Rockfish, Yellow and Black Rockfish, Canary Rockfish (illegal), Yelloweye Rockfish (illegal) (among other species of rockfish), Kelp and Rock Greenling, Striped Perch, Albacore, Sanddab.

**Site #:** 203

**Name:** MacKerricher

**Directions to Access Point A: Ward Ave.** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto Ward Ave. Follow the road to the bend and parking is available at the dirt pull-out. There are multiple trails that lead out to the beach.

**Directions to Access Point B: MacKerricher** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto Mill Creek Dr. Follow the road into the campground, past Cleone Lake, until it dead ends at the upper most parking area. There are multiple trails to take out onto the headlands.

**Directions to Access Point C: Virgin Creek** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the large dirt pull-out north of Pudding Creek. There are no indicating signs. There is a fence with two trail heads across the road from the pull-out.

**Description:** These areas are mixed with sandy beaches and rocky cliffs. MacKerricher is a large headland in which the sampler should thoroughly walk. There is a trail that loops around a significant part of the headlands and can be accessed from either the lower trailhead (by board walk) or upper trail head (by trees). Ward Ave. has a long stretch of sandy beach and rocks exposed at low tide. Virgin Creek is mostly headlands with a small beach by the creek.

**Boundary North:** Ten Mile

**Boundary South:** Virgin Creek

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

**Cluster:** WIN5 BB

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months, but is also dependent upon current fishing regulations. MacKerricher has a combination of BB and PR2 (kayak) anglers targeting surf perch, ground fish, crab or abalone. Most BB anglers fish from the rocky outcrops that are exposed. During the summer months there is an influx of abalone divers with spear guns. BB anglers at Ward Ave. and Virgin Creek target ground fish, crab, or abalone.

**Common Fish Species:** Abalone, Crab, Lingcod, Cabezon, Blue Rockfish, Black Rockfish, Black and Yellow Rockfish (among other species of rockfish), Kelp and Rock Greenling, Striped Perch, Red-Tail Perch.

**Site #:** 202

**Name:** Ten Mile

**Directions to Access Point A: Seaside Beach** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the dirt pull-out north of Ten Mile Beach. There is a large rock in the middle of the beach. There are no other indicating signs.

**Directions to Access Point B: Ten Mile Bluff** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the small dirt pull-out south of the Ten Mile Bridge. There are no other indicating signs. Follow the trail out to the beach.

**Description:** Seaside and Ten Mile are long, sandy beaches. Binoculars are useful for determining angler effort. The trail from the parking area to Ten Mile beach is approximately a 15 minute walk. Seaside Beach can get packed with non-fishing beach enjoyers, but be sure to walk the beach to check angler effort on the southern end.

**Boundary North:** Sea Side Beach

**Boundary South:** Ward Ave.

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

**Cluster:** WIN5 BB

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months, but is also dependent upon current fishing regulations. Both spots are ideal for Red-Tail Surf Perch. Anglers may try for crab also.

**Common Fish Species:** Red-Tail Surf Perch

**Site #:** 201

**Name:** Westport

**Directions to Access Point A: Wages Creek** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto Westport Beach Campground (Wages Creek). Follow the road down into the campground until it dead ends at the beach and park where there is availability. There is a pull-out north of this site, at the top of the hill, that offers a birds eye view of the entire beach and angler effort can be determined.

**Directions to Access Point B: Petes Beach** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto Petes Beach parking area. There is a stair case that leads down to the beach, however, the entire beach can be seen from the edge, and angler effort can be determined.

**Directions to Access Point C: Westport** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the Westport Headlands pull-out across the street from Sea View Dr. There are trail heads that lead to the headlands.

**Directions to Access Point D: Chadbourne Gulch (Blues Beach)** – From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the dirt road at the base of the gulch, mile marker 75.43. There are no other indicating signs.

**Directions to Access Point E: Bell Point** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the Vista Point parking area, mile marker 74.09. There are no other indicating signs.

**Description:** Bell Point and Westport are fishing spots from the headlands. There are trails that lead down to rocks exposed at low tide. Petes Beach, Wages Creek and Blues are long, sandy beaches. All 3 beaches can be seen from an over head view allowing angler effort to be determined. Wages Creek is a private campground and the sampler must check in before proceeding.

**Boundary North:** Wages Creek

**Boundary South:** Bell Point

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

**Cluster:** WIN5 BB

**Activity:** Fishing effort is highest in the summer months, but also dependent upon the fishing regulations. Bell Point is highly used by anglers who target ground fish and crab. Petes Beach and Wages are rarely used by anglers, however, are ideal for Red-Tail Surf Perch fishing. Blues Beach is a hot spot for Red-Tail Surf Perch.

**Common Fish Species:** Crab, Lingcod, Cabezon, Kelp and Rock Greenling, Red-Tail Surf Perch, Striped Perch, Black Rockfish, Blue Rockfish (various other species of rockfish).

**Site #:** 200

**Name:** Abalone Point

**Directions to Access Point A: Little Juan Creek** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the dirt pull-out south of the Little Juan Creek Bridge. The entire beach is visible from this spot and angler effort can be determined.

**Directions to Access Point B: Westport Union Landing State Beach (WULSB)/DaHaven Creek/ Abalone Pt. Campground** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the parking area north of DaHaven Creek. The beach is visible from this spot and angler effort can be determined.

**Directions to Access Point C: Howard Creek** - From U.S. Highway 1, turn west onto the parking area either south or north of Howard Creek (it is all still part of WULSB). There are stairs leading down to the beach on both sides.

**Description:** The majority of this site is composed of steep cliffs making fishing inaccessible. There are a few beaches in between that break up the headlands which anglers utilize on a mid to low tide. If it is a really low tide anglers will walk out and fish from the rocky outcrops exposed. Little Juan is all rocks, but there is a trail that allows anglers access.

**Boundary North:** Hardy Creek

**Boundary South:** Wages Creek

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

**Cluster:** WIN5 BB

**Activity:** Westport Union Landing is rarely used by anglers, however if present, fishing effort is highest in the summer months and is dependent upon current fishing regulations. Anglers from DaHaven and Howard fish from the beach for Surf Perch. Anglers from Little Juan also fish for Surf Perch, however, it is all rocks and sometimes beach seines are used.

**Common Fish Species:** Lingcod, Cabezon, Kelp and Rock Greenling, Red-Tail Surf Perch, Striped Perch, Black Rockfish, Blue Rockfish (various other species of rockfish).