

County: **Humboldt**
 USGS Quad: **Orick**

Thomas Guide Location
 CA Road Atlas
 NOAA Chart: **18600**

Latitude N Longitude W
 41 17' 35" 124 05' 25"W

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SITE DESCRIPTION:

Redwood Creek is managed by the National Park Service as part of Redwood National and State Parks. The mouth of Redwood creek forms a small estuary that can be open to tidal influence during high creek flows. The associated wetlands are highly sensitive to oiling. The response site extends from the mouth of the creek to the upper end of tidal influence within the estuary.

SEASONAL and SPECIAL RESOURCE CONCERN

The shoreline at the mouth of the creek provides haul out habitat for marine mammals and is also a popular spot for fishing during salmonid migrations.

RESOURCES OF PRIMARY CONCERN

Estuary and sandy beach with some freshwater marsh habitat.

Shorebirds, Seabirds, Raptors can be found here year-round including: Bald Eagle (SE), Peregrine Falcon, and Osprey. Snowy Plover (FT)(01-12)- with critical open dune nesting period (04-07). California Brown Pelican (04-11).

This is a popular haul out area for marine mammals when the mouth is open to tidal influence.

Fish: Anadromous salmonids Coho (FT,ST) and Chinook (FT) salmon, Steelhead (FT,SSC) and Coastal cutthroat (SSC) trouts

- spawning runs (08-06)
- juveniles/smolts (02-08)

Eulachon (FT,SSC)

Pacific lamprey

CULTURAL, HISTORIC, and ARCHEOLOGICAL SENSITIVITIES

Cultural, Historical, and Archeological sites are known to exist in the area, however, the exact locations of these sites must be ascertained by contacting the Native American Heritage Commission at (916) 653-4082 and State Office of Historical Preservation (916) 445-7000, and/or Ms. Vicki Bates, Coordinator of the North Coast Information Center (707) 482-1822.

KEY CONTACTS: Trustee (T); Entry/Owner/Access (E); Cultural (C); or Other Assistance (O)

Type	Name / Title	Organization	Phone
O		NORCOM State Parks Dispatch 24-hours	(916) 358-1300
T		Redwood National & State Parks	(707) 464-6101
O	Troy Nicolini	National Weather Service Woodley Island	(707) 442-2171

ADDITIONAL SITE SUMMARY COMMENTS:

For further information about coastal access in this area, please refer to the California Coastal Commission's California Coastal Access Guide. For photos of the coastline in this area, please refer to the California Coastal Records Project (www.californiacoastline.org).

1-215 -A Site Strategy - Redwood Creek

County and Thomas Guide Location

CA Road Atlas Humboldt

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CONCERNS and ADVICE to RESPONDERS:

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HAZARDS and RESTRICTIONS:

SITE STRATEGIES

Strategy 1-215.1 Objective: Arrest oil spread near the mouth on an incoming tide.

Place boom across the channel from the north bank to the south bank to direct incoming oil to a suitable collection site.

Strategy 1-215.2 Objective: Preclean beach to minimize oiling of woody debris before oil arrives

Send in hand crews or heavy equipment to move large woody debris to high ground on the beach and out of the path of oil before it arrives. The number of workers required will be determined by the amount of debris on the beach.

Table of Response Resources

strategy number	harbor boom	swamp boom	Other boom type	sorb boom	Anchoring no type and gear	Boom boat	Skiffs punts	Skimmers No Type	Special Equipment or comment No and kinds	staff deploy	Staff tend
1-215.1	2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	4
1-215.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

LOGISTICS

DIRECTIONS: to site (by land and/or by water, to nearest launch ramp and are access permits required.)

From Eureka, go north on HWY 101, go past Freshwater lagoon and make a Left turn following the signs to the Thomas H. Kuchel Visitor Center of the Redwood National and State Parks. The mouth of Redwood Creek is a short walk north of the visitors' center. Redwood Creek is managed by the National Park Service as part of Redwood National and State Parks.

LAND ACCESS: Locked access to the beach

WATER LOGISTICS: NO launching facilities. Maybe accessible by punt.

Limitations: depth, obstruction

Launching, Loading, Docking

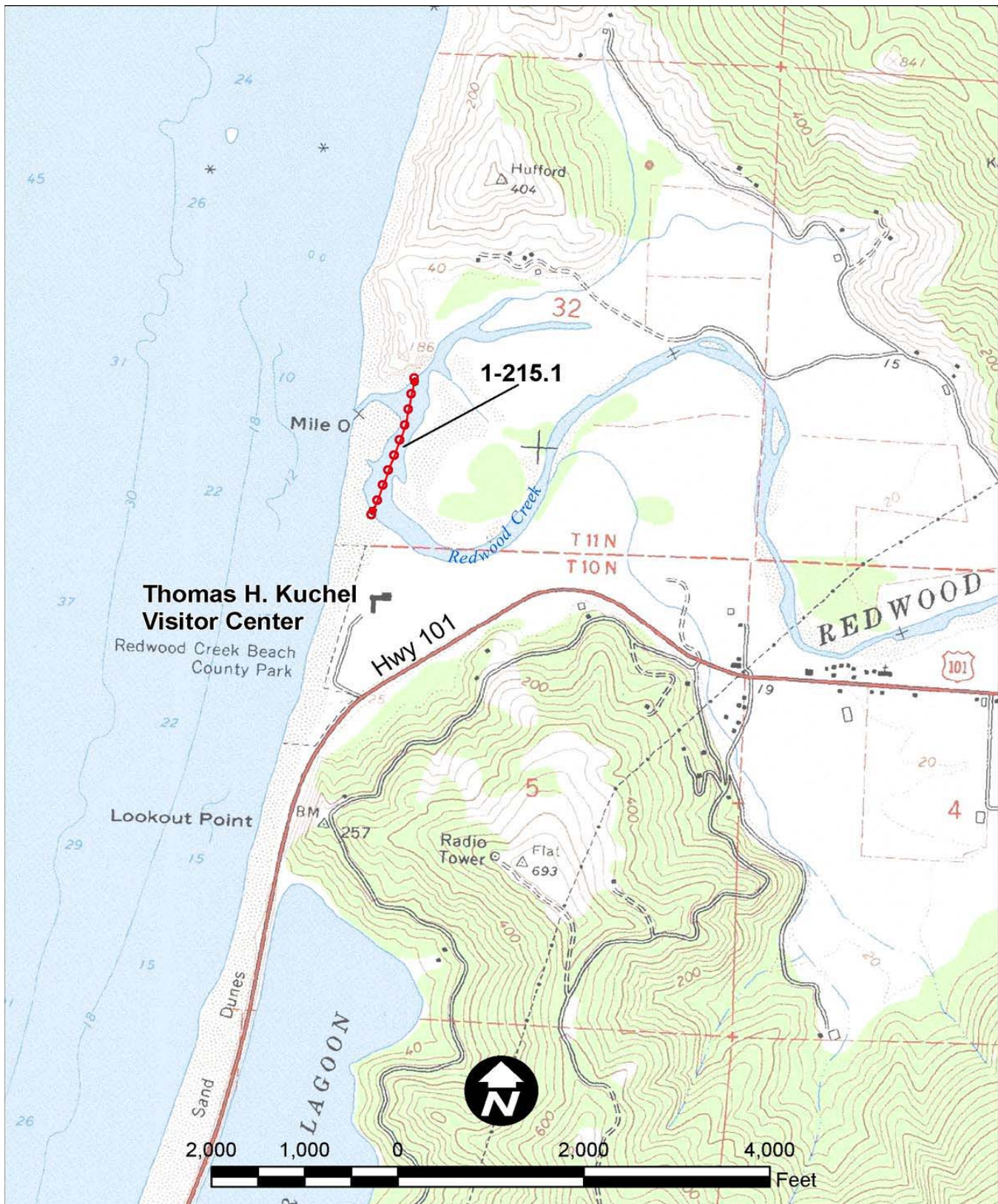
and Services Available:

FACILITIES, STAGING AREAS, POSSIBLE FIELD POSTS AND EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE:

The parks visitor center & parking lot could be used to provide the best large scale staging area between Eureka & Crescent City. Phones and restrooms are available in the center, and fuel, a small grocery store can be found just north on HWY 101 in the town of Orick. Lodging is very limited.

COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS:

ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL COMMENTS:



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH & GAME (OSPR) and UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
 Site: 1-215 Site Name: Redwood Creek

Jeff Dayton (OSPR) & Greg Ewing (OSPR)
 Date: March 8, 2011

