

County: **Del Norte**
 USGS Quad: **Sister Rocks**

Thomas Guide Location
 CA Road Atlas
 NOAA Chart: **18603**

Latitude N Longitude W
 41 44' 50" 124 12' 05"N

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SITE DESCRIPTION:

Battery Point is a nearshore rock island that is accessible by foot only at lower tides and inaccessible at higher tides. Battery Point Lighthouse and Museum are located at the foot of "A" Street in Crescent City, California. This is an active lighthouse that serves as a private aid to navigation. Site is associated with BLM's California Coastal National Monument resources. Battery Point is currently a Maritime Museum and is operated by Del Norte County. The Cape Cod structure built of brick and granite offers visitors a look at the maritime history of the region and gives great insight to the life of a light keeper. Worn from storms and tidal waves, this 45 foot tower and attached lean-to still function today as an important navigational aid to seaward travelers along the northern Pacific coast.

SEASONAL and SPECIAL RESOURCE CONCERN

The rock and light house are largely a historical and cultural attraction.

RESOURCES OF PRIMARY CONCERN

Marbled murrelet (FT,SE)(01-12)
 -fledglings on water (07-09)
 -adults (01-12) AREA OF FREQUENT SIGHTINGS
 California brown pelican
 Harbor seals (01-12)
 California sea lions (01-12)
 Groundfish (EFH)
 Kelp beds (01-12)

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) 373-3710, the State Office of Historical Preservation (916) 445-7000, and/or Mr. Bryan Much, Coordinator of the Northwest Information Center (707) 588-8455.

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

Type	Name / Title	Organization	Phone
T		Del Norte County Parks	(707) 464-7230
E		Battery Point Light House	(707) 464-3089
E		Del Norte County Sheriff's Dept	(707) 464-4191
T	Charlie Helms Harbor Master	Crescent City Harbor District	(707) 464-6174
E/T	David Ledig Manager	BLM California Coastal National Monument	(831) 630-5006
O	Troy Nicolini	National Weather Service Woodley Island	(707) 442-2171
T	Bob Pagliuco	NOAA/Nat'l Marine Fisheries Service	(707) 834-2215
T	Bill Pinnix	USFWS Arcata Field Office	(707) 845-6858

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).

1-150 -A Site Strategy - Battery Point

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CONCERNS and ADVICE to RESPONDERS:

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HAZARDS and RESTRICTIONS:

Offshore rocks and kelp beds. Extreme current and high energy shoreline. This is a commercial and recreational harbor, and heavy equipment may be in operation around the area.

SITE STRATEGIES

This site is best protected by preventing the oil from arriving here, when possible. Off site response options including dispersants should be considered.

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
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LOGISTICS

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

Go north on U.S. Hwy 101 into Crescent City. Turn left (W.) onto Front Street and continue to its end. Turn left (S.) and continue to parking lot at Battery Point. Boats may be launched from several locations within Crescent City harbor. (Citizen's Dock off Citizen's Dock Road exiting from U.S. Hwy 101; also at the end of Anchor Way exiting from U.S. Hwy 101). Battery Point is a nearshore rock island that is accessible by foot only at lower tides and inaccessible at higher tides. Battery Point Lighthouse and Museum are located at the foot of "A" Street in Crescent City, California. This is an active lighthouse that serves as a private aid to navigation. Site is associated with BLM's California Coastal National Monument resources.

LAND ACCESS: Parking area at Battery Point accessible to 2WD, 4WD, and trucks

WATER LOGISTICS:

Limitations: depth, obstruction

Launching, Loading, Docking Boats may be launched from Crescent City harbor.
and Services Available:

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

This area may also serve as a good staging area for large amounts of equipment.

COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS:

ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL COMMENTS:

