# **1-160 - B** Site Summary- Scat Beach

County:	Del Norte
USGS Quad:	Sister Rocks

## SITE DESCRIPTION:

This rugged shoreline is managed by State Parks as part of Del Norte Redwood State Park. The offshore rocks within a quarter mile of the shoreline are managed by the National Park Service (Redwood National Park). Exposed vertical seawall and offshore rocks. This area has extreme currents and high energy shoreline.

**Thomas Guide Location** 

CA Road Atlas NOAA Chart: 18603

## SEASONAL and SPECIAL RESOURCE CONCERN

Breeding seabirds will use these rocks for nesting in the spring. Offshore rocks provide roosting and nesting habitat for birds and haul out locations for marine mammals. Care should be taken so that response activities do not flush wildlife from these areas. The offshore rocks have cultural significance for local tribes.

## **RESOURCES OF PRIMARY CONCERN**

The rocks are sensitive to human intrusion year round, especially during nesting season (03-09) when the adults are on eggs and until the young have fledged from the nest.

Seabirds (01-12), nesting (03-09) marbled murrelets (FT,SE) forage in nearshore waters (01-12)

Marine mammals

## 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)

Туре	Name / Title	Organization	Phone	
Т		North Coast Redwoods District	(707) 445-6547	
0		Northern Communications (24hr)	(916) 358-0333	
Е		Del Norte County Sheriff's Dept	(707) 464-4191	
Т		Redwood National & State Parks	(707) 464-6101	
0	Troy Nicolini	National Weather Service Woodley Island	(707) 442-2171	
Т	Bob Pagliuco	NOAA/Nat'l Marine Fisheries Service	(707) 834-2215	
Т	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).

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Latitude N Longitude W 41 40' 23" 124 08' 22"

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County and Thomas Guide Location CA Road Atlas Del Norte

NOAA CHART 18603

#### CONCERNS and ADVICE to RESPONDERS:

The rugged coastline will prevent on shore response over most of this area. Off site measures including dispersants should be considered when a spill threatens to impact this area. Overflights should be careful to maintain flight path and altitude clearance distances that are large enough to prevent the flushing of birds and marine mammals from their nests, roosts, and haul outs sanctuaries on the offshore rocks in this area.

#### HAZARDS and RESTRICTIONS:

No access, see site description below. Extreme currents, offshore rocks, high energy shoreline, short steep beaches in some areas.

## 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	harbor	swamp	Other	sorb	Anchoring	Boom	Skiffs	Skim	mers		Special	Equipment or comment	staff	Staff
number	boom	boom	boom type	boom	no type and gear	boat	punts	No	Туре	No	and	kinds	deploy	tend

# LOGISTICS

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

None. This rugged shoreline is managed by State Parks as part of Del Norte Redwood State Park. The offshore rocks within a quarter mile of the shoreline are managed by the National Park Service (Redwood National Park).

LAND ACCESS:

#### WATER LOGISTICS:

Limitations: depth, obstruction Launching, Loading, Docking and Services Available:

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

COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS: Remote, limited communications

ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL COMMENTS: Most of this area is difficult to access

