

**2-960-A Site Summary - Mildred Island/Latham Slough****2-960-A****County:** San Joaquin **ACP Division/Segment:****NOAA Chart:** 18661 Sacramento & San Joaquin River **Map Book:** SF Bay and Delta **Decimal Degrees:** 37.986292 -121.517513**Site Description:**

This site includes Mildred Island and adjacent Latham Slough from Empire Cut to Connection Slough. The flooded Mildred Island is surrounded by severely deteriorating levees which has dense freshwater marsh vegetation. Latham Slough has several in-channel marsh islands and berms.

**Resources at Risk:***ESI and Habitat:* 6B Riprap

9B Vegetated low banks

10B Freshwater marshes

**List of Resources at Risk:**

	Resource Name	Status	Presence	Sensitivity
Birds	California black rail	FP, ST		Mar-Aug
Birds	Swainson's hawk	FP, ST		Mar-Sep
Birds	migratory waterfowl	FP		
Fish	delta smelt	FT, SE		Mar-May
Fish	longfin smelt	ST		Nov-May
Fish	steelhead - Central/Northern California	FT		Nov-Apr
Plants	Mason's lilaeopsis	SR		Apr-Nov
Reptiles	giant garter snake	FT, ST		Jul-Oct

FT-Federally Threatened, FE-Federally Endangered, FP-Federally Protected, SE-State Endangered, ST-State Threatened, SP -State Protected, SR-State Rare, SSC-Species of Special Concern, BGEPA-Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act, SSSP-State Special Status Species

**List of Key Contacts:**

Type	Name/Title	Organization	Phone
C	/Coordinator	Native American Heritage Commission	(916) 373-3710
C	/Coordinator	Northwest Information Center	(707) 588-8455
E	/Manager	Central Delta Water Agency	(209) 969-7755
E	/Engineer	Lower Jones Tract Reclamation District	(209) 969-7755
E	/Office	Mandeville Island Reclamation District	(209) 946-0268
E	/Office	McDonald Island Reclamation District	(209) 956-9940
O	/Dispatch, 24-hr	California Department of Water Resources	(916) 574-2714
S	/Dispatch, 24-hr	San Joaquin Office of Emergency Services	(209) 953-6200
T	/Environmental Program Manager	CA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife, Bay Delta Region	(707) 576-2837
T	/Restoration Ecologist	US Department of Agriculture	(530) 304-2304
T	/Spill Response Coordinator	USFWS, SF Bay-Delta Office	(916) 799-0588

C – Cultural, Historic, Archaeological; E – Entry/Owner/Access; O – Other; S – Safety; T – Trustee; X – Exclusion or Security

**Additional Site Summary Comments:**

Several sensitive plant species occur in the area.

**Concerns and Advice to Responders:**

The concern is two-fold: first, that oil will be transported through this site to other parts of the delta; and second, that marsh islands will be come oiled. These marsh areas are sensitive and habitat to many sensitive species. There is always the concern of impacts from response and cleanup: trampling vegetation, disturbing wildlife, and tracking oil into marshes and into sediments.

**Hazard and Restrictions:**

Shallow water. Numerous tree snags inside flooded Mildred Island.

**Site Strategies:****Site Validation Level: 0**

**Strategy: 2-960.1 Objective:** Exclude by executing adjacent strategies. No specific strategy for this site. See Old River Quimby Island (2-910); Middle River: Bacon Island Reach (2-965-A); Middle River: Mandeville Reach (2-950-A), and Turner/Empire Cuts (2-963-A).

**Strategy:** For oil coming from outside this site, deploy appropriate strategies from among the following to exclude oil: Old River Quimby Island (2-910); Middle River: Bacon Island Reach (2-965-A); Middle River: Mandeville Reach (2-950-A), and Turner/Empire Cuts (2-963-A).

Table of Response Resources

**Last Page Update****Logistics:**

**Directions:** Highway 4 east past Middle River to Bacon Island Road. Turn left on Bacon Island Road out to Middle River Follow along Lower Jones Tract levee.

**Land Access:** Good access from levees when dry, avoid when saturated.

**On-Water Limitations:** Marina services at Tiki Lagoon Resort Marina and Turner Cut Resort on Turner Cut are closest.

**Facilities, Staging Areas, Command Posts, Available Equipment:** Staging at marinas or along Bacon Island Road. Tiki Lagoon Resort Marina and Turner Cut Resort on Turner Cut are closest.

**Communications Problems:** Cell reception varies.

