2-030 -A Site Summary- San Joaquin River, Roberts Island Reach

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Thomas Guide Location Latitude N Longitude W 37 59.7 121 25.7 County: San Joaquin SF Bay and Delt USGS Quad:

NOAA Chart: 18661 SACRAMENTO / SAN JOAQUIN RIVER

SITE DESCRIPTION:

Holt

Site is from intersection of San Joaquin River and Deep Water Channel at the Port of Stockton (R 48) to Turner Cut at Aker Island, and includes Walters Island. Adjacent sites are Calaveras River, Burns Cutoff, and Fourteenmile Slough. This section of the Stockton Deep Water Channel is heavily ripped and modified. Some mature trees and pockets of emergent vegetation line the edges. Walters Island remains in a more natural condition with emergent marsh and riparian shrub scrub.

SEASONAL and SPECIAL RESOURCE CONCERN

Marshy areas like Walters Island are "A" priority at all times. Special Status Species include: Delta smelt (FT/SE) in modest numbers during fall/winter; Swainson's hawk (ST) and burrowing owl.

RESOURCES OF PRIMARY CONCERN

The habitat on Walters Island is natural marsh to riparian. Aquatic environment supports freshwater community. Low dissolved oxygen can stress this community in late summer. Most of the channel length is riprap and supports life which can utilize extremely disturbed areas.

Walters Island supports a rich diversity of bird life. Swainson's hawk (ST) and burrowing owl nest and forage north of and along the harbor.

During fall/winter Delta smelt (FT/SE) occur in modest numbers. Juvenile and adult striped bass are typical as are warm water species.

Freshwater invertebrates are those typical of low salinity delta waters.

CULTURAL, HISTORIC, and ARCHEOLOGICAL SENSITIVITIES

Contact the California Dept of Parks and Recreation - Office of Historic Preservation (Eric Allison (916) 653-9125), and the Northwest Information Center, (Bryan Much, Sonoma State College (707) 332-1117) for specific information on historic or cultural resources in this area.

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

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ADDITIONAL SITE SUMMARY COMMENTS:

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CONCERNS and ADVICE to RESPONDERS:

Oil issues are penetration and cleanup of marshy vegetation, riprap, pilings and collection behind seawalls and under wharves.

HAZARDS and RESTRICTIONS:

SF Bay and Delt San Joaquin

Waters are deep draft except in margins and side channels of SJ River. Aerial traffic beware of power wires.

SITE STRATEGIES

Strategy 2-030.1 Objective: Diversion/Collection/exclusion/containment boom to halt oil movement in Stockton Channel

Set 1200' 9x9+ boom in a long diagonal boom across the Stockton Deep Water Channel from light G27 to natural collection "point" on Roberts Island (best access). Depending on prevailing conditions and oil movement Rindge Tract may be alternate collection site. Use 50ft of Oil Snare (OS), 100 ft of sorbent boom to collect any oil that may accumulate.

Strategy 2-030.2 Objective: Exclusion/protection booming of openings and marshy margins Walters Island to keeping oil from backside channel and cover Deep Water frontage with sorbent.

Set two exclusion booms. One at each end of Island. 800 ft at east end and 1200 at west across backside slough opening. Anchor near riprap levee and with long Island overlap on Channel side. Leave a trailing boom length to maintain seal during tidal vacillations. Put sorbent across remainder of exposed channel side. Wind wash can be a problem here.

Strategy 2-030.3 Objective: Oil Recovery by skimming

Deploy skimmer if oil accumulates in skimmable quantities. Consult with IC prior to initiating this strategy.

Table of Response Resources

strategy	strategy harbor swamp		Other	sorb	Anchoring	Boom	Skiffs	Skimmers			Special	Equipment or comment	staff	Staff	
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2-030.2	2000			3000	9	9/25/DANFORTH	2	1						9	
2-030.3	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	1 SSS	3	0				

LOGISTICS

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

Key access to site by boat accessible is from Windmill Cove Marina and marinas at Stockton Harbor. Excellent access from Roberts Island (to south) from Hwy 4. Also access from private levee roads on Rindge Tract and Wright Tract from I-5 via 8-mile Road and March Lane. Site is from intersection of San Joaquin River and Deep Water Channel at the Port of Stockton (R 48) to Turner Cut at Aker Island, and includes Walters Island. Adjacent sites are Calaveras River, Burns Cutoff, and Fourteenmile Slough.

ROADS:PAVED SOUTH, SEASONAL NORTH SIDE LAND ACCESS:

WATER LOGISTICS:

deep draft, except near shore

Limitations: depth, obstruction Launching, Loading, Docking

A full range of marine facilities are at Stockton harbor. Windmill Cove Resort on Roberts

and Services Available:

Island on south side of site has fuel, launch and docks.

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

Good major deployment site on Roberts Island at light R 32 (mouth of Turner Cut): Dock and crane available. Deployment from near side Rindge Tract levee is also possible.

COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS: none known

ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL COMMENTS:

