

County: **San Joaquin**
 USGS Quad: **Bouldin Island**

Thomas Guide Location
 SF Bay and Delt
 NOAA Chart: **18661 SACRAMENTO / SAN JOAQUIN RIVER**

Latitude N
 38 05.6
 Longitude W
 121 29.5

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SITE DESCRIPTION:

This site extends from its junction with Little Potato Slough two miles south of Terminous, six miles easterly to its end, and includes the side channels Telephone, Honker and Bishop Cuts. The Slough is designated a Significant Natural Area (CDFW-NHD) and also a Natural Resource Area with Significant Habitat Value in the DMRP. The Slough is laced with channels among its many berm and channel islands which remain in natural marsh/shrub-scrub condition. Levee banks are ripped but with pockets of emergent marshy/riparian growth.

SEASONAL and SPECIAL RESOURCE CONCERN

The marsh and riparian vegetation here are of "A" concern year-round. Many Special Status Species occur here: winter-run chinook (F/SE) are a considerable concern from Oct 15- May 31; the California black rail (ST) and the burrowing owl; four species of rare plants.

RESOURCES OF PRIMARY CONCERN

Extensive and ecologically rich marshy margins, islands and riparian growths. Diversified aquatic community including T/E species and migrant fish.

Site is rich in bird life typical of marshy and riparian species including: waterfowl and marsh birds. The California black rail (ST) and burrowing owl occur within or near this site.

Other vertebrates are typical riverine species. This may be habitat for western pond turtle.

Fish life are typical warm water species of the Delta. Area is a prime fishing area for black bass and striped bass. Juvenile winter-run chinook can be of great concern here.

Rare plants occurring here include California hibiscus, Suisun marsh aster, Mason's lilaeopsis, and Delta mudwort. Islands and margins are emergent marsh and shrub-scrub. Occasional riparian growth.

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:

2-080 -A Site Strategy - White's Slough

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CONCERNS and ADVICE to RESPONDERS:

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Penetration into marshy areas, woody cover, riprap, and animal and invertebrate burrows in levees, islands and uplands. Emergent and marsh vegetation cleaning issues.

HAZARDS and RESTRICTIONS:

Aerial traffic beware of high wires. Boats beware of shallows and snags at margins and terminal ends. Poison Oak. Slips trips and falls.

SITE STRATEGIES

Strategy 2-080.1 Objective: Exclude/Contain boom at the junction with Little Potato Slough on each side of Devil's Isle.

Set booms across both channels of slough mouth. Anchor one boom end near adjacent riprap levees. Anchor other end near Devil's Isle, the channel island in the mouth, leaving a trailing boom length for a tidal seal. (See impact note) Back with sorbent boom.

Strategy 2-080.2 Objective: Exclude/contain booming at Honker Cut.

At the intersection of Honker cut and White Slough anchor one end of 4X4 boom at King Island levee and the other at Empire Tract, leaving trailing boom ends for tidal seal. This strategy can be deployed nearer 8 Mile Road if circumstances are favorable.

Strategy 2-080.3 Objective: Exclude/contain booming at Bishop Cut.

At the intersection of Bishop Cut and White Slough anchor one end of 4X4 boom at Rio Blanco levee and the other at King Island, leaving trailing boom ends for tidal seal. This strategy can be deployed nearer 8 Mile Road if circumstances are favorable.

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
2-080.1	0	400		400	4 4/15/DANFORTH	0	1				
2-080.2	0	200			2 2/15lb/danforth	0	1			2	
2-080.3	0	200			2 2/15lbs/danforth	0	1				

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 Stockton Deep Water Channel at marker G11 or from end of 8-mile road, north up Little Potato Slough or down same from Terminous. Private levee roads are accessible on north from Hwy 12 via Correia Rd or on south from I-5, via 8-mile Rd to Correia Rd, Rio Blanco Rd, and King Isl. and Empire Tract levees. This site extends from its junction with Little Potato Slough two miles south of Terminous, six miles easterly to its end, and includes the side channels Telephone, Honker and Bishop Cuts.

LAND ACCESS: LEVEE ROADS good unless wet

WATER LOGISTICS: depth problems only near shore

Limitations: depth, obstruction

Launching, Loading, Docking and Services Available: Marina service is available at Terminous, end of 8-mile Rd, and Disappointment Slough ends of Bishop and Empire Cuts.

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

Deployment is possible from nearby levees. Also from nearby marinas. Consider using the end of 8-mile Rd or terminus as a major deployment site for this section of the delta.

COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS: none known

ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL COMMENTS:

