

## 2-128 -A/C Site Summary- Blind Beach

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County: **Sonoma**

USGS Quad: **7.5" Quad: Duncan Mills, CA**

Thomas Guide Location

Sonoma County

NOAA Chart: **18640**

Latitude N

3 8 26

Longitude W

123 07

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### SITE DESCRIPTION:

Blind Beach is located within the Sonoma Coast State Park and is managed by California State Parks. Beach extends from Goat Rock south to next rocky headland at Peaked Hill. Site is associated with the following BLM Ca Coastal National Monument Site: Arched Rock. Fine to medium-grained sand beach.

### SEASONAL and SPECIAL RESOURCE CONCERN

Priority "A" site from May through July during smelt spawning. Remainder of year (August - April) this is a priority "C" site.

### RESOURCES OF PRIMARY CONCERN

During spring and summer surf (Day) smelt use the beach to lay their eggs and spawn.

Shorebird use greatest during spring and fall migrations.

Surf (Day) smelt spawning spring and summer.

### CULTURAL, HISTORIC, and ARCHEOLOGICAL SENSITIVITIES

Historically, a rich area of human inhabitation. 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)

Type	Name / Title	Organization	Phone
E/T		CA State Parks Russian River District Office	(707) 865-2394
E/T		CA State Parks, Northern Comms Center (Dispatch)	(916) 358-0333
T	David Ledig	BLM Ca Coastal Monument	(831) 630-5006
T	James Weigand	BLM Ca Coastal Monument	(916) 978-4656

### ADDITIONAL SITE SUMMARY COMMENTS:

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### CONCERNS and ADVICE to RESPONDERS:

During smelt spawning oil and cleanup activities may damage eggs in beach sand.

### HAZARDS and RESTRICTIONS:

Extreme surf and strong currents.

### SITE STRATEGIES

Strategy 2-128.1 Objective: Minimize oiling and cleanup response vehicle traffic through intertidal zone of beach from May through August.

Because of high wave energy conditions at this site, mechanical shoreline protection techniques (booming) may not be possible. On-water containment and recovery efforts are the best available protection strategy.

- a) Pursue feasibility of alternative response technologies (e.g. dispersant and in-situ burning)
- b) Booming is generally unfeasible due to wave energy. As water conditions permit, divert oil toward fine grain sand beaches for collection.
- c) Inspect shoreline for possible precleaning.

Can also use offshore skimming, manual removal, cold water flush and wash to remove pooled oil.

### Table of Response Resources

strategy number	harbor boom	swamp boom	Other boom type	sorb boom	Anchoring no	tvpe and gear	Boom boat	Skiffs punts	Skimmers No	Type	Special Equipment or comment No and kinds	staff deploy	Staff tend
2-128.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	On-water Recovery / ART	0	

### LOGISTICS

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

Off Hwy 1 south of Goat Rock State Park, north of Bodega Bay. Blind Beach is located within the Sonoma Coast State Park and is managed by California State Parks. Beach extends from Goat Rock south to next rocky headland at Peaked Hill. Site is associated with the following BLM Ca Coastal National Monument Site: Arched Rock.

**LAND ACCESS:** Large trucks okay

**WATER LOGISTICS:** Large surf and breakers

Limitations: depth, obstruction

Launching, Loading, Docking None local. Bodega Bay is closest  
and Services Available:

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

County Park parking areas available at ends of beach. Nearest facilities at Bodega Bay and Jenner.

### COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS:

### ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL COMMENTS:

