3-550-A Site Summary - Partington Creek

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County: Monterey **ACP Division/Segment:** MT - I - S001

NOAA Chart: 18680, 18700 **Map Book:** B **Decimal Degrees:** 36.17539 -121.69723

Site Description:

Partington Creek emanates from Partington Canyon and meets the ocean at the base of Partington Point. The creek bed topography prevents tidal influence but heavy surf could splash oil from the intertidal zone into riparian habitat and a shallow freshwater pool that forms near the creek mouth.

Resources at Risk:

ESI and Habitat: 6A Gravel Beach

2A Exposed wave-cut platforms in bedrock, mud, or clay

List of Resources at Risk:

	Resource Name	Status	Presence	Sensitivity
Amphibians	California red-legged frog	FT, SSC	Year-round	Nov-Mar
Birds	California condor	FE, SE	Year-round	
Birds	peregrine falcon	FP, SP	Year-round	Apr-Aug
Fish	steelhead - Central/Northern California	FT	Year-round	Nov-Apr
Insects	Smith's blue butterfly	FE	Year-round	
Invertebrates	black abalone	FE	Year-round	Apr-Sep
Mammals	Southern sea otter	FT, SP	Year-round	

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:

Туре	Name/Title	Organization	Phone
С	/Coordinator	Native American Heritage Commission	(916) 373-3710
С	/Coordinator	Northwest Information Center	(707) 588-8455
Т	/Dispatch, 24-hr	California State Parks (Dispatch)	(916) 358-1300
Т	/Emergency Responder, 24-hr	Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary	(831) 236-6797
Т	/Agency Representative	NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service	(707) 575-6050
T	/Spill Response Coordinator	US Fish and Wildlife Service	(805) 644-1766

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

Additional Site Summary Comments:

Moderate recreational use. SCUBA diving area.

Concerns and Advice to Responders:

SCUBA diving area.

Hazard and Restrictions:

Vehicle access to creek area via gated, steep, narrow dirt road. Creek mouth access via footpath. Limited space for one or two vehicles only.

Site Strategies: Site Validation Level: ||

Strategy: 3-550.1 Objective: Deploy Sorbent Boom

Strategy: Creek bed topography prevents tidal influence but heavy surf could splash oil from the intertidal zone into riparian habitat. Deploy sorbent boom in the creek pool above the intertidal zone. This strategy is only applicable during moderate to low creek outflows.

Table of Response Resources

Equipment	Sub-Type	Size Unit	QTY Unit	Last Page Update
Boom	Sorbent		50 feet	Strategy Updated: 3/18/2022
Stakes			4	Last Test:
Staff			2	

Logistics:

Directions: Site is 7.4 miles south of the Big Sur U.S. Postal Service Office on Highway 1. Parking area on shoulder of Highway 1 southbound lane (36.177058°, -121.693825°), Postmile: Route 1 MON 37.9; 26 parking spaces.

Land Access: Vehicle access for equipment transport via gated, steep, narrow dirt road with tight switchback corners (0.28 mile). Limited space for one or two vehicles only and limited space to turn around. Remining access to creek mouth via narrow footpath (530 feet).

On-Water Limitations: Nearest vessel launch site is Monterey Harbor (38 nautical miles). Pfeiffer Point has anchorage affording fair protection in north and northwest weather for small vessels; 0.9 miles ESE of Pfeiffer Point and 0.28 miles offshore in 8 fathoms.

Facilities, Staging Areas, Command Posts, Available Equipment: None.

Communications Problems: No cell phone signal.

