

**5-120-A Site Summary - Venice Beach****5-120-A****County:** Los Angeles**ACP Division/Segment:** LA - D - S008**NOAA Chart:** 18744**Map Book:** 701 J2**Decimal Degrees:** 33.9659 -118.4566**Site Description:**

Feeding site at fore beach; fenced nesting site on upper portion of beach north of Ballona Creek entrance (Marina Del Rey). Medium-grained sand beach. Western snowy plovers and California least terns both nest above high tide line. Western snowy plover chicks move to wave wash zone after hatching. California least terns forage in offshore waters. Grunion runs from late February to early September. Grunion lay eggs in sand at highest high tide line. Eggs are vulnerable to oil and beach cleanup.

**Resources at Risk:****ESI and Habitat:** 3A Fine- to medium-grained sand beaches**List of Resources at Risk:**

|       | Resource Name         | Status  | Presence   | Sensitivity |
|-------|-----------------------|---------|------------|-------------|
| Birds | California least tern | FE, SE  | Apr - Sep  |             |
| Birds | Western snowy plover  | FT, SSC | Apr - Sep  |             |
| Fish  | California grunion    |         | Feb - Sep  |             |
| Fish  | intertidal fish       |         | 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:**

| Type | Name/Title                                 | Organization                                   | Phone          |
|------|--|--|----------------|
| C    | /Coordinator                               | Native American Heritage Commission            | (916) 373-3710 |
| C    | /  | South Central Coast Information Center         | (657) 278-5395 |
| O    | /  | Los Angeles County Lifeguard, Big Rock to Ball | (310) 394-3261 |
| T    | Hans Sin/California least tern Coordinator | California Department of Fish and Wildlife     | (858) 539-9022 |
| T    | /Spill Coordinator (24hr)                  | US Fish and Wildlife Service                   | (760) 607-9768 |

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

**Additional Site Summary Comments:****Concerns and Advice to Responders:**

To protect endangered species nesting and feeding habitat. Responders should avoid fenced bird nesting area.

**Hazard and Restrictions:****Site Strategies:****Site Validation Level: II****Strategy: 5-120.1 Objective:** Other: See Strategy Box**Strategy:** Mark nesting area, avoid disturbances, and look out for oiled birds.

Table of Response Resources

| Equipment | Sub-Type                    | Size | Unit | QTY | Unit |
|-----------|-----------------------------|------|------|-----|------|
| Staff     | Natural Resource Specialist |      |      | 1   |      |

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

**Directions:** From Lincoln Blvd. (Highway 1) to Marina Del Rey go west on Washington Blvd. and south on Pacific Ave. until you reach the terminus at Via Marina where there will be a parking lot.

**Land Access:** Go west from parking area until you reach the fenced least tern area. Access beach from Pacific Ave.

**On-Water Limitations:**

**Facilities, Staging Areas, Command Posts, Available Equipment:** Parking at Pacific Ave. and Via Marina.

**Communications Problems:**

**Additional Operational Comments:** Access to beach from Pacific Ave.



