5-470-A/B Site Summary - Seal Rocks - Catalina Island

County: Los Angeles **ACP Division/Segment:**

NOAA Chart: 18757 **Map Book: Decimal Degrees:** 33.3071 -118.3059

Site Description:

Nearshore rock and shoreline relief areas for harbor seal and California sea lion haul-out and pupping.

Resources at Risk:

ESI and Habitat: 1A Exposed Rocky Shore

5 Mixed sand and gravel beaches

List of Resources at Risk:

	Resource Name	Status	Presence	Sensitivity
Invertebrates	black abalone	FE	Year-round	
Mammals	harbor seal	FP	Year-round	
Mammals	California sea lion	FP	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
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С	/	South Central Coast Information Center	(657) 278-5395
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Т	Steve Wertz/Senior Env. Scientist Supervisor	California Department of Fish and Wildlife, MPAs	(562) 343-3808
Τ	Justin Viezbicke/Marine Mammal Stranding	NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service	(562) 506-4315
Т	Melissa Neuman/Marine Biologist	NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service	(562) 481-4594
Т	/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 sensitive species breeding and foraging habitat.

Hazard and Restrictions:

Watch weather and sea conditions.

Site Strategies:

Site Validation Level: 0

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Strategy: 5-470.1 Objective: No Onsite Options: Consider Offshore Containment/Recovery/ART **Strategy:** This site is difficult to protect. Mechanical shoreline protection techniques are not likely to be effective because of high wave energy and rocky conditions at the site.

- a) Recommended response strategy is on-water containment and recovery (e.g. towed boom arrays).
- b) Pursue feasibility of alternative response technologies (e.g. dispersants and in-situ burning) to reduce the volume of oil reaching the site.

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Logistics:

Directions: Access best by boat.

Land Access: Access best by boat.

On-Water Limitations: Limited services available at Avalon, Two Harbors and Catalina Harbor.

Facilities, Staging Areas, Command Posts, Available Equipment:

Communications Problems:

Additional Operational Comments: Small aircraft can fly to Catalina Island.

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CDFW - OSPR & USCG Site: 5-470 Name: Seal Rocks - Catalina Island

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No shoreline strategies; consider offshore strategies