1-400 -C Site Summary- Morgan Rock

		Thomas Guide Location	Latitude N	Longitude W
County:	Mendocino	CA Road Atlas	39 55'	123 55' 30"
USGS Quad:	Bear Harbor	NOAA Chart: 18620		

SITE DESCRIPTION:

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These offshore rocks are managed by the BLM as part of the California Coastal National Monument. The shoreline is within Sinkyone Wilderness State Park. Offshore rock. Lies about 500 feet offshore.

SEASONAL and SPECIAL RESOURCE CONCERN

Breeding seabirds will use these rocks for nesting in the spring. Offshore rocks provide roosting and nesting habitat for birds and haul out locations for marine mammals. Care should be taken so that response activities do not flush wildlife from these areas. The offshore rocks have cultural significance for local tribes.

RESOURCES OF PRIMARY CONCERN

The rocks are sensitive to human intrusion year round, especially during nesting season (03-09) when the adults are on eggs and until the young have fledged from the nest.

Seabirds

Pacific harbor seal haul-out areas (01-12)

CULTURAL, HISTORIC, and ARCHEOLOGICAL SENSITIVITIES

Cultural, Historical, and Archeological sites are known to exist in the area, however, the exact locations of these sites must be ascertained by contacting the Native American Heritage Commission at (916) 653-4082 and State Office of Historical Preservation (916) 445-7000, and/or Ms. Leigh Jordan, Coordinator of the Northwest Information Center (707) 588-8455.

KEY CONTACTS: Trustee (T); Entry/Owner/Access (E); Cultural (C); or Other Assistance (O)

Туре	Name / Title	Organization	Phone	
0		NORCOM State Parks Dispatch 24-hours	(916) 358-1300	
0		Mendocino County Sheriff's Dept.	(707) 463-4086	
0		Sinkyone Intertribal Wilderness Council	(707) 468-9500	
Т		California State Parks North Coast District	(707) 445-6547	
Т	Randy Brown	US Fish and Wildlife Service	(707) 822-7201	
Т	Rick Hanks Manager	California Coastal National Monument	(831) 915-4621	
0	Troy Nicolini	National Weather Service Woodley Island	(707) 442-2171	

ADDITIONAL SITE SUMMARY COMMENTS:

For further information about coastal access in this area, please refer to the California Coastal Commission's California Coastal Access Guide. For photos of the coastline in this area, please refer to the California Coastal Records Project (www.californiacoastline.org).

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CONCERNS and ADVICE to RESPONDERS:

The rugged coastline will prevent on shore response over most of this area. Off site measures including dispersants should be considered when a spill threatens to impact this area. Overflights should be careful to maintain flight path and altitude clearance distances that are large enough to prevent the flushing of birds and marine mammals from their nests, roosts, and haul outs sanctuaries on the offshore rocks in this area.

HAZARDS and RESTRICTIONS:

Extreme current, high energy shoreline, offshore rocks

SITE STRATEGIES

This site is best protected by preventing the oil from arriving here, when possible. Off site response options including dispersants should be considered.

Table of Response Resources

strategy	harbor	swamp	Other	sorb	Anchoring	Boom	Skiffs	Skim	mers		Special	Equipment or comment	staff	Staff
number	boom	boom	boom type	boom	no type and gear	boat	punts	No	Туре	No	and	kinds	deploy	/ tend

LOGISTICS

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

Inaccessible from land. Near Bear Harbor, about 10 miles south of Pt. Delgada. Nearest road is Bear Harbor Road off Usal Road. These offshore rocks are managed by the BLM as part of the California Coastal National Monument. The shoreline is within Sinkyone Wilderness State Park.

Remote, limited communications

LAND ACCESS:

WATER LOGISTICS:

Limitations: depth, obstruction

Launching, Loading, Docking Nearest launch is Shelter Cove and Services Available:

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

COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS:

ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL COMMENTS:

