#### 2-403-A Site Summary - Crissy Field Tidal Marsh

*County:* San Francisco ACP Division/Segment: SF - H - S010

**NOAA Chart:** Entrance to San

Map Book: AAA - San Franc

Decimal Degrees: 37.805507 -122.454274

Francisco Bav 18649

# Site Description:

Crissy Field Tidal Marsh is a restored wetland at the east end of Crissy Field and includes a tidal channel which opens to San Francisco Bay at the east end of the salt-marsh. This wetland lies within Golden Gate National Recreational Area (GGNRA), under jurstiction of US National Park Service (NPS). It was constructed and opened to tidal exchange in 1999. It is being revegetated with native species. It is an uncommon habitat for waterbirds and shorebirds in an urban habitat, thus, has great value as a resting/foraging area. The tidal inlet has silted in remarkably and has not yet scoured a low flow channel. There is a large community focus and investment in this salt-marsh habitat restoration area.

## **Resources at Risk:**

ESI and Habitat: 3A Fine- to medium-grained sand beaches

10A Salt - and brackish-water marshes

8B Sheltered solid man-made structures

### List of Resources at Risk:

|        | Resource Name                      | Status   | Presence   | Sensitivity |
|--------|------------------------------------|----------|------------|-------------|
| Birds  | California black rail              | FP, ST   | Year-round | Mar - Jul   |
| Birds  | Western snowy plover               | FT, SSC  | Year-round | Mar - Sep   |
| Fish   | longfin smelt                      | ST       | Year-round | Nov - May   |
| Plants | Pt. Reyes bird's-beak              | SSSP     | Year-round | Jul - Oct   |
| Plants | California seablite                | FE, SSSP | Year-round | Jul - Oct   |
| Plants | San Francisco lessingia            | FE, SE   | Year-round | Jul - Nov   |
| Plants | congested-headed hayfield tarplant | SSSP     | Year-round | Apr - Nov   |
| Plants | San Francisco Bay spineflower      | SSSP     | Year-round | Apr - Jul   |

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 Kev Contacts:

| Name/Title             | Organization   | Phone   |
|------------------------|--|---|
| /Coordinator           | Native American Heritage Commission  | (916) 373-3710  |
| /Coordinator           | Northwest Information Center   | (707) 588-8455  |
| /Duty Officer (24hr)   | San Francisco Dept. of Emergency Management  | (415) 260-2591  |
| /Dispatch, 24-hr       | The Marine Mammal Center   | (415) 289-7350  |
| /Agency Representative | US National Park Service, Golden Gate  | (415) 561-4731  |
| /Dispatch, 24-hr       | US National Park Service, Golden Gate NRA  | (415) 561-5505  |
|                        | /Coordinator<br>/Coordinator<br>/Duty Officer (24hr)<br>/Dispatch, 24-hr<br>/Agency Representative | /CoordinatorNative American Heritage Commission/CoordinatorNorthwest Information Center/Duty Officer (24hr)San Francisco Dept. of Emergency Management/Dispatch, 24-hrThe Marine Mammal Center/Agency RepresentativeUS National Park Service, Golden Gate |

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

### **Additional Site Summary Comments:**

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# **Concerns and Advice to Responders:**

The concern is to keep oil from entering the marsh by excluding it at the tidal entry channel. Avoid disturbing wildlife and tracking oil around the site. This is a high visibility site with a lot of public awareness. Golden Gate National Recreational Area to advise of response activities 415-561-4620 (park police dispatch).

## Hazard and Restrictions:

Be aware of swift currents directly offshore tidal channel mouth.

# Site Strategies:

## Site Validation Level: V

# *Strategy:* **2-403.1** *Objective:* Primary: Exclude oil from entering the mouth

*Strategy:* Exclude oil from entering the mouth of the tidal channel using a shallow lopsided chevron boom deployment. Anchor boom to shore west of the tidal mouth and angle out at about 45 degrees with 100 ft boom and then angle back to shore east of mouth using 200 ft of boom. Be sure to provide for a boom seal which will keep oil from getting around the shore boom ends at low tides.

Table of Response Resources

| Equipment | Sub-Type        | Size Unit | QTY Unit | Last Page Update |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------|----------|------------------|
| Boom      | Harbor          | 6x6 inch  | 300 feet |                  |
| Anchor    | Danforth        | 22 lb     | 3        |                  |
| Vessel    | Skiff or Punt   |           | 1        |                  |
| Staff     | Staff to Deploy |           | 2        | _                |

*Strategy:* **2-403.2** *Objective:* Back-up: exclude / collect: capture of oil which excapes past primary protection

*Strategy:* Deploy deflection to shoreside collection in the tidal channel. Currents in the tidal channel are swift (can exceed 2 knots). Deploy swamp boom (300') at a very slight angle to collect oil on the east bank of the channel. Use mid boom anchor(s) and lines to keep boom from forming catenary curves (and promoting entrainment of oil). Establish a skimming pocket and backup collection boom (100' swampboom) to confine accumulating oil and allow collection. Back with sorbent. This deployment should be done from land: with the permission of NPS Personnel, you may drive right to the location. There is a foot bridge across the channel, and the channel is very shallow or empty at some tides.

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| Equipment | Sub-Type        | Size Unit | QTY Unit | Last Page Update |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------|----------|------------------|
| Boom      | Swamp Boom      | 6x6 inch  | 400 feet |                  |
| Boom      | Sorbent         |           | 300 feet |                  |
| Anchor    | Danforth        | 22 lb     | 3        |                  |
| Vac truck |                 |           | 1        |                  |
| Staff     | Staff to Deploy |           | 2        | _                |

*Strategy:* **2-403.3** *Objective:* Exclude by berming with onsite substrate

*Strategy:* Using sand at the mouth of the channel and seaward of rip-rap, construct a berm with a culvert to permit tidal exchange. Make provision to block-off culvert if oil threatens. Contact NPS Personnel about frontend loader and culvert which may be available in the park.

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| Skiploader |                 |           | 1        |                  |
| culvert    |                 |           | 1        |                  |
| Staff      | Staff to Deploy |           | 3        |                  |

## Logistics:

*Directions:* By land, Crissy Field is just east of the Golden Gate Bridge and is just north of Hwy 101. The wetland is at the east end of Crissy Field. By boat, the opening to the wetland is about a half mile west of Marina Park.

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On-Water Limitations: Nearest marina is Gas House Cove a mile to the east.

*Facilities, Staging Areas, Command Posts, Available Equipment:* Crissy Field is a possible staging area for local activities - contact National Park Service (NPS).

Communications Problems: Good cell reception.

