

**County:** San Joaquin **ACP Division/Segment:****NOAA Chart:** 18661 Sacramento & San Joaquin River **Map Book:** SF Bay and Delta **Decimal Degrees:** 37.963255 -121.468195**Site Description:**

This dead-end slough extends from its mouth at junction of Turner Cut and Empire Cut about 3 miles to its terminus. A fairly narrow, shallow water slough with margins mostly rip-rapped but with pockets of emergent freshwater marsh vegetation. There are multiple channel islands. Snags and shallows are common in this low energy slough.

**Resources at Risk:***ESI and Habitat:* 6B Riprap

9B Vegetated low banks

10B Freshwater marshes

**List of Resources at Risk:**

	Resource Name	Status	Presence	Sensitivity
Birds	waterfowl			
Fish	delta smelt	FT, SE		Mar-May
Fish	chinook salmon - Winter-run	FE, SE		Oct-May
Reptiles	giant garter snake	FT, ST		Jul-Oct

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	/Coordinator	Northwest Information Center	(707) 588-8455
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E	/Engineer	Lower Jones Tract Reclamation District	(209) 969-7755
E	/Office	McDonald Island Reclamation District	(209) 956-9940
E	/Engineer	Terminus Tract Reclamation District	(209) 649-4555
E	/Engineer	Terminus Tract Reclamation District	(209) 465-5883
O	/Dispatch, 24-hr	California Department of Water Resources	(916) 574-2714
S	/Dispatch, 24-hr	San Joaquin Office of Emergency Services	(209) 953-6200
T	/Environmental Program Manager	CA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife, Bay Delta Region	(707) 576-2837
T	/Restoration Ecologist	US Department of Agriculture	(530) 304-2304
T	/Spill Response Coordinator	USFWS, SF Bay-Delta Office	(916) 799-0588

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:**

The concern is two-fold: first, that oil will be transported though this site to other parts of the delta; and second, that marsh islands and margins will be come oiled. These marsh areas are sensitive and habitat to many sensitive species. There is always the concern of impacts from response and cleanup: trampling vegetation, disturbing wildlife, and tracking oil into marsh sediments.

**Hazard and Restrictions:**

Aerial hazard of high wires. Slips, trips and falls on riprap and steep levees. Regarding boat handling, beware of shallows, snags and mud bars. Beware of Poison Oak.

**Site Strategies:****Site Validation Level: II**

**Strategy: 2-964.1 Objective:** Exclude oil at mouth on Turner Cut

*Strategy:* Set boom across slough mouth. Anchor one boom end near Roberts Island riprap levee. Anchor other boom end diagonally up-slough on Lower Jones Tract levee, leaving a trailing boom length to maintain seal during tidal vacillations. If collection is opportune, shoreside skimmer at appropriate side for collection/removal. Back with sorbent.

Table of Response Resources

Equipment	Sub-Type	Size	Unit	QTY	Unit	Last Page Update
Boom	Swamp	6x6 inch		400	feet	
Boom	Sorbent			300	feet	
Anchor	Danforth	25 lb		4		
Vessel	Skiff or Punt			1		
Staff	Staff to Deploy			3		

**Logistics:**

*Directions:* Key access to site is from southerly side via I-5 to Hwy 4 to Roberts Island Road to Upper Jones Tract Road. Private levee roads also border north side. Water access is from Turner or Empire Cuts from Ship Channel.

*Land Access:* Levee roads good when dry, avoid when saturated.

*On-Water Limitations:* Shallow waterway, watch for snags. Marinas nearby have wide range of facilities including launch, rental boats, fuel: Whiskey Slough Resort, Tiki Lagun Resort & Turner Cut Resort.

*Facilities, Staging Areas, Command Posts, Available Equipment:* Local marinas are possible area deployment sites and have most facilities including restaurants, water, toilets and some camping. If roads are passable, deploy from adjacent levees. Otherwise transport material by skiff.

*Communications Problems:* Cell reception varies.

