

4-650-C Site Summary - Goleta Point & Campus Lagoon**4-650-C***County:* Santa Barbara **ACP Division/Segment:** SB - O - S01 SB - P - S01*NOAA Chart:* 18721 *Map Book:* 494 B-C x 5-6 *Decimal Degrees:* 34.406525 -119.844585**Site Description:**

Goleta Point and Campus Lagoon are on the SE area of the UCSB campus near the Marine Science Institute. Goleta Point is a combination of fine-grained sand beach and wave-cut rock platforms. The western portion of the beach, below the UCSB campus, is backed by rock riprap. (NE of the point is a popular recreational beach.) Campus Lagoon is a 25-30 acre brackish water pond adjacent to Goleta Point, on the UCSB campus. Sea water is pumped into the lagoon at the eastern side (near the marine science institute) and discharges into the ocean on the southwest side. This lagoon is not subject to marine spills. Grunion spawning occurs during the spring and summer high tides. Southern sea otters have been observed offshore. Common pacific littleneck clam and pismo clams are found on the beach. Goleta Point and Campus Lagoon occur within the boundaries of the Campus Point Marine Conservation Area.

Resources at Risk:

- ESI and Habitat:* 10A Salt - and brackish-water marshes
 6B Riprap
 3A Fine- to medium-grained sand beaches
 2A Exposed wave-cut platforms in bedrock, mud, or clay

List of Resources at Risk:

	Resource Name	Status	Presence	Sensitivity
Birds	Western snowy plover	FT, SSC	Oct-Feb	
Birds	shorebirds		Year-round	
Fish	California grunion		Mar-Aug	
Invertebrates	rocky intertidal invertebrates		Year-round	
Plants	eelgrass		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	/	Central Coast Information Center	(805) 682-4711
C	/Coordinator	Native American Heritage Commission	(916) 373-3710
E	/Campus Emergency Manager	University of California Santa Barbara	(805) 450-1437
E	Dispatch 24 Hr./Campus Police	University of California Santa Barbara	(805) 893-3447
O	UCSB/Environmental Health and Safety	University of California Santa Barbara	(805) 893-8533
T	Steve Wertz/Senior Env. Scientist Supervisor	California Department of Fish and Wildlife, MPAs	(562) 343-3808
T	/Spill Response Coordinator	US Fish and Wildlife Service, Federal T&E Species	(805) 644-1766

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

Additional Site Summary Comments:

Wintering western snowy plovers can be found on this beach from Oct-Feb.

Concerns and Advice to Responders:

High use public beach.

Hazard and Restrictions:

A. Unhealthy levels of coliform bacteria have been found intermittently in streams and on beaches in the Santa Barbara County area. Use appropriate PPE, safety procedures, and include reference to potential health problems in any site safety plan.

B. Safety Considerations- Roads, trails, beach cliffs and hillsides may be unstable in wet weather. Beware of pedestrians, ticks, poison oak, and rattlesnakes. Care must be taken when working on beaches backed by high cliffs. Safe entries and exits from beaches in this area are related to tides and beach sand levels. Sand surface may be soft.

Site Strategies:

Site Validation Level: II

Strategy: 4-650.1 Objective: Shoreline Pre-Clean: Resource Specialist Supervision Required

Strategy: Consult with resource trustees regarding wildlife issues before undertaking this activity. Hand crews to move and store kelp, driftwood, vegetative debris, trash, and other materials above high-tide line. Dispose of trash. Replace unholed debris in its former location once the threat of oiling is past.

Table of Response Resources

Equipment	Sub-Type	Size	Unit	QTY	Unit	Last Page Update
Vehicle	ATV			1		
Staff				5		
Misc.	Trash Bags					

Logistics:

Directions: Goleta Point Beach at the end of Lagoon Road on the UCSB campus near the Marine Science Institute.

Land Access: Access through UCSB campus. Must coordinate with campus police department.

On-Water Limitations: Santa Barbara Harbor is the nearest full service civilian harbor for full-service berthing, launching and fueling.

Facilities, Staging Areas, Command Posts, Available Equipment: Potential staging at Goleta County Beach Park.

Communications Problems: None

Additional Operational Comments: Due to the probable occurrence of western snowy plovers and/or California least terns at this site, please review the Sandy Beach Site Summary and Strategies (Site 4-000-A) for information on response operations when dealing with these sensitive species. Protect the Marine Protected Area (MPA) boundaries.



CDFW - OSPR & USCG Site: 4-650 Name: Goleta Point & Campus Lagoon

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**No shoreline strategies;
consider offshore strategies**