

4-677-C Site Summary - Loon Point & Toro Canyon Creek**4-677-C***County:* Santa Barbara **ACP Division/Segment:** SB - S - S02*NOAA Chart:* 18725(a)*Map Book:* 997 F-G x 5*Decimal Degrees:* 34.41278 -119.57528**Site Description:**

Loon Point lies about 6 miles east of Santa Barbara harbor. The point itself is a mixed sand and gravel beach (fine to medium-grained sand with 50% cobble-boulder cover). The beaches to the east and west are fine to medium-grained sand backed by cobble-boulder sand berms and by steep bluffs approximately 50 feet high. Toro Canyon Creek is a small lagoon at the upper beach about 75 ft from the mean tide line. The upper end of the lagoon is fenced off by a chain-linked fence.

Resources at Risk:

- ESI and Habitat:* 10A Salt - and brackish-water marshes
 9B Vegetated low banks
 6B Riprap
 5 Mixed sand and gravel beaches
 3A Fine- to medium-grained sand beaches

List of Resources at Risk:

	Resource Name	Status	Presence	Sensitivity
Amphibians	California red-legged frog	FT, SSC	Variable	
Birds	shorebirds		Year-round	
Fish	tidewater goby	FE, SSC	Variable	

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	Jeff Bozarth/Park Manager- South	Santa Barbara County Park Department	(805) 686-5059
O	24 Hr./Dispatch	Santa Barbara County Sheriff	(805) 683-2724
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:

Concerns and Advice to Responders:

The lagoon and stream provide habitat for both sensitive and T/E species (fishes, amphibians) which can be killed or injured by oil, response and clean-up activities. Responders should minimize disturbances in the stream, lagoon, and associated vegetation and avoid trampling oil into the sediments. Protective conditions should be followed by the IC and resource biologists.

Hazard and Restrictions:

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

Access and exits to and from beaches are related to tides and beach sand levels- YOU MAY GET STRANDED ON THE BEACH - Plan accordingly.

Site Strategies:**Site Validation Level: II****Strategy: 4-677.1 Objective:** Build Sandbag Dam

Strategy: Build a sandbag exclusion/containment dam using onsite materials or imported materials as directed by CDFW biologist. Use clean low silt content sand. If using onsite materials obtain only from un-vegetated areas and have a cultural specialist onsite to monitor. Install underflow pipes and/or a spillway to regulate water flows as conditions dictate. Closely regulate water levels to reduce collateral oiling. If there is recoverable oil on-water, deploy sorbents and contact the IC immediately regarding the use of skimmers.

Table of Response Resources

Equipment	Sub-Type	Size	Unit	QTY	Unit	Last Page Update
Boom	Sorbent Boom			40	feet	
Stakes				5		
Staff				5		
Sandbags				50		

Strategy: 4-677.2 Objective: Erect Filter Fence

Strategy: Construct a filter fence across the front of the channel where the inlet is narrowest, water flows are low or dry, the ground can receive and hold metal stakes, and the spill is heavy oil. Monitor barrier and replace pom-poms as necessary to maintain effectiveness.

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Equipment	Sub-Type	Size	Unit	QTY	Unit	Last Page Update
Fence	Construction Fencing	4 x 100	feet	1	Rolls	
Misc.	Oil Snare (pom-pom)			300		
stakes	T-posts	6	feet	10		
Misc.	Stake Driver			1		
Staff				5		

Strategy: 4-677.3 Objective: Shoreline Pre-Clean: Resource Specialist Supervision Required

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

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Staff				5		
Misc.	Trash Bags					

Logistics:

Directions: From Hwy 101, take the Padaro Lane exit towards the ocean; dirt trail goes to the beach about 0.3 mile west of Loon Point. This is a relatively remote stretch of beach with limited vehicular access.

Land Access: Beach access road from Loon Point will likely require regarding for vehicle access; contact the SB County Parks for information. High tide will restrict longshore movement. Beach and access roads are suitable for foot traffic and ATVs.

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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: Minimal staging at Loon Point/Padaro Lane Parking lot.

Communications Problems: none



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