

County: **Santa Barbara**  
 USGS Quad: **Goleta**

Thomas Guide Location  
 994 D-E x 4  
 NOAA Chart: **18721**

Latitude N Longitude W  
 34.416667 119.825

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**SITE DESCRIPTION:**

THIS SITE IS LOCATED IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY DIVISION P. Goleta beach county park, just east of the UCSB campus. A wide, fine to coarse-grained sand beach backed by low bluffs or a long grass picnic area and parking lot. Goleta pier and the beachside restaurant are also located here. A grunion spawning area extends from about the pier, west to and around the campus point. Kelp beds are common offshore.

**SEASONAL and SPECIAL RESOURCE CONCERN**

March through August for grunion spawning on beach (see local tide book for dates and times of grunion runs).

**RESOURCES OF PRIMARY CONCERN**

Western snowy plovers (Oct-Feb), Brown pelicans, Shorebirds.

A few southern sea otters were observed in 2008.

California grunion (Mar-Sep).

Giant kelp, extensive eelgrass bed.

**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) 373-3710 and State Office of Historical Preservation (916) 445-7000, and/or the Central Coast Archeological Information Center (805) 893-7341.

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

Type	Name / Title	Organization	Phone
T	Federally listed T/E species - Ventura Office	USFWS	(805) 644-1766
C	Lynn Gambell Coordinator	Central Coast Archeological Information Center	(805) 893-7341
T	Kai Lampson Marine Biologist	CDFW - (Nearshore Species)	(805) 965-7216
C	Office of Historic Preservation (SHPO)	California State Parks (Sacramento Office)	(916) 445-7000
E	Santa Barbara County Parks Department	Santa Barbara County	(805) 568-2461
O	SB County Sheriff's Dispatch (24 Hrs)	Santa Barbara County	(805) 683-2724

**ADDITIONAL SITE SUMMARY COMMENTS:**

REFERENCES: RPI-ESI MAPS SOUTHERN CALIF. ATLAS

# 4-652 -C Site Strategy - Goleta Beach

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## CONCERNS and ADVICE to RESPONDERS:

Primary spill threat from marine source. Inshore waters and shorelines contain sensitive habitat for invertebrates, birds, and marine mammals which can be injured or killed by oil. Because there are no practicable onshore response strategies for protecting these resources, it is best to collect and/or disperse oil offshore, before it reaches inshore areas or the shoreline. During pre-cleaning and/or cleanup, responders should minimize disturbance in the dunes and on upper beaches; drive vehicles on wet sand, and follow protective conditions from IC and resource biologists.

## HAZARDS and RESTRICTIONS:

Water Contamination - Unhealthy levels of coliform bacteria have been found intermittently in streams and on beaches in the Santa Barbara County area. Check with the Santa Barbara Ocean Quality Hotline, 805-681-4949, regarding health conditions prior to engaging in any activities which would require direct water contact. Use appropriate PPE, safety procedures, and include reference to potential health problems in any site safety plan.

## SITE STRATEGIES

Onshore response strategies for protecting onshore and nearshore resources in this area are extremely limited. Whenever possible, attempt to collect and/or disperse oil in offshore locations before it reaches inshore areas or the shoreline.

Strategy 4-652.1 Objective: Shoreline Precleaning - Prevent oiling of wrack, trash, and other materials to reduce collateral contamination and disposal problems.

Shoreline Precleaning - 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 unoiled debris in its former location once the threat of oiling is past. If heavy equipment is required for this operation, request trustee consultation and IC for authorization.

## Table of Response Resources

strategy number	harbor boom	swamp boom	Other boom type	sorb boom	Anchoring no type and gear	Boom boat	Skiffs punts	Skimmers No Type	Special Equipment or comment No and kinds	staff deploy	Staff tend
4-652.1									102 1- Vehicle (4wd), 100 Trash Bags, 1 Hand Tools	5	

## LOGISTICS

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

From U.S. 101 north-bound, take hwy 217, to Sand Spit Road, and follow signs to Goleta Beach County Park. Beach access (for heavy equipment) is excellent all along the parking lot.

### LAND ACCESS:

A. Access - Goleta Beach and south margin of Goleta Slough are accessible only through permission from SB County Parks. Beach access roads may require regrading before vehicles can enter or exit beaches. Barriers to longshore movement are variable according to tide and sand levels. Upstream areas and tributaries of the Slough are accessible at Fairview and Patterson Ave. Access for vehicles and heavy equipment may be obtained through SB Co Flood Control.  
B. Access for ATV, 4-WD, and Heavy Equipment on beach.

### WATER LOGISTICS:

Limitations: depth, obstruction

Launching, Loading, Docking and Services Available:

Santa Barbara Harbor is the nearest full service civilian harbor for full service berthing, launching and fueling. Response vessels could be loaded and small boats can be launched at Gaviota Pier with permission from State Beaches and Parks. Larger vessels can be loaded at Ellwood Pier with permission from Venoco and at Goleta Pier with permission from Santa Barbara County Parks.

### FACILITIES, STAGING AREAS, POSSIBLE FIELD POSTS AND EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE:

The parking lot makes an excellent staging area and access to the beach is excellent from several sites along the parking lot.

Heavy equipment for beach pre-cleaning may be available via the county.

Goleta Beach County Park ranger residence is located at the park.

### COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS:

### ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL COMMENTS:

### SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Due to the probable occurrence of Snowy plovers and/or 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.

1. This is a high use recreational beach (consider public health and safety and security issues).
2. Santa Barbara Airport is very close by (consider air restrictions).



Imagery: NAIP 2010 (Summer) 4-Band