

**4-787 -A Site Summary- Laguna Point****4-787 -A**

County: **Ventura**  
 USGS Quad: **Point Mugu**

Thomas Guide Location  
 583  
 NOAA Chart: **18725(a)**

Latitude N  
 34.095  
 Longitude W  
 119.10806

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**SITE DESCRIPTION:**

THIS SITE IS LOCATED IN VENTURA COUNTY DIVISION H: Approximately 3.5 miles (from Arnold Rd south to Laguna Point). Medium to coarse grained sand beaches backed by low dunes. Also several rip-rap structures at Laguna Point and 1 mile south of Arnold Road. This area lies within Naval Base Ventura County Point Mugu.

**SEASONAL and SPECIAL RESOURCE CONCERN**

Spring and Summer for California least terns and western snowy plovers nesting.  
 Spring and summer for grunion spawning.  
 All year for bird concentrations and pismo clams.

**RESOURCES OF PRIMARY CONCERN**

Various shorebirds and seabirds including California least terns (Apr-Sep), and Western snowy plovers (Mar-Sep).

California grunion (Apr-Aug), Surfperch

Pismo clams (Jun-Sep)

Salt Marsh Bird's-beak

**CULTURAL, HISTORIC, and ARCHEOLOGICAL SENSITIVITIES**

Cultural, historical, and archeological sites are known to exist at the Naval Base Ventura County, however, the location of this site must be ascertained by, first, contacting Dan Shide, Director of Environmental Division (805) 989-3805. Information may also be found at the Native American Heritage Commission at (916) 373-3710, and State Office of Historical Preservation (916) 445-7000 and the South Central Coastal Information Center (657) 278-5395.

**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	Stacy St. James Coordinator	South Central Coastal Information Center	(657) 278-5395
T	Kai Lampson Marine Biologist	CDFW - (Nearshore Species)	(805) 965-7216
E	Naval Base Ventura County Port Hueneme Informati	US Navy	(805) 989-1110
E	Naval Security (24hr)	Naval Base Ventura County Point Hueneme	(805) 982-4591
T	Elizabeth Petras Biologist	National Marine Fisheries Service	(562) 980-3238
E	Martin Ruane Biologist	Naval Base Ventura County (T/E species)	(805) 989-3808
E	Dan Shide Director of Env. Division	Naval Base Ventura County	(805) 989-3805
T	Justin Viezbicke Biologist	National Marine Fisheries Service-Stranding Coordi	(562) 506-4315
E	Robert Zaragoza	Naval Base Ventura County - (Spill Program)	(805) 989-3556

**ADDITIONAL SITE SUMMARY COMMENTS:****REFERENCES:**

1. RPI-ESI MAPS (SOUTHERN CALIF ATLAS)

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## CONCERNS and ADVICE to RESPONDERS:

Primary spill threat from marine source. The best response options for protecting this shoreline are to collect and/or disperse oil in offshore areas before it reaches inshore areas and to pre-clean debris from beaches. Should oiling occur, cleanup oiled shorelines. The dunes and upper beaches provide critical nesting habitat for Threatened/Endangered birds. These animals can be killed and habitat can be damaged by oil and response/cleanup activities unless responders avoid disturbing the dunes and upper beaches; drive vehicles on wet sand, and follow protective conditions from IC and resource biologists.

## HAZARDS and RESTRICTIONS:

Beach Safety Considerations - Beware of people and animals on the beach, pedestrians, waves, slips, trips and falls, and water hazards. Safe entries to, and exits from shorelines and facilities in and around the the beach are related to tides, sea conditions, and beach sand levels. When using a vehicle on the beach, sand surface may be soft. YOU MAY GET STRANDED ON THE BEACH - Plan accordingly.

## 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 4-787.1 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 tvpe and gear	Boom boat	Skiffs punts	Skimmers No Type	Special Equipment or comment No and kinds	staff deploy	Staff tend
4-787.1									203 2- Vehicle (4wd), 200 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.)**

Going southbound US 101, exit #60/Rice Rd in Oxnard for 0.3 mi, turn right on Rice Rd for 4.1 mi, continue on Hwy 1 for 3.5 mi, exit Wood Rd for 0.2 mi, turn left onto Naval Air Rd for 0.5 mi, turn right into NBVC Point Mugu.

Going northbound US 101, exit #55/Las Posas Rd in Camarillo for 0.2 mi, turn left on Las Posas Rd for 7.7 mi, turn right at Naval Air Rd for 1.0 mi, turn left into NBVC Point Mugu. THIS SITE IS LOCATED IN VENTURA COUNTY DIVISION H:

**LAND ACCESS:** Access for foot traffic, ATV, 4-WD, and heavy equipment on beach. Keep below high tide line on wet sand, keep vehicle speed under 5mph, and maintain radio communication with all vehicles on beach. All beach access will be approved by IC under recommendation from agency resource biologist.

## WATER LOGISTICS:

Limitations: depth, obstruction

Launching, Loading, Docking and Services Available: In the northern portion of the area (Seacliff to McGrath State Beach) contact Ventura Harbor for full service berthing, launching, and fueling. For sites south of CIH, Port of Hueneme and Channel Islands Harbor (CIH) both support full service berth, launching, and fueling.

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

## COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS:

## ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL COMMENTS:

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.

High energy coastline with considerable sand movement possible.



Imagery: NAIP 2010 (Summer) 4-Band