

**4-657-B Site Summary - More Mesa & Goleta Rocks****4-657-B****County:** Santa Barbara **ACP Division/Segment:** SB - Q - S01**NOAA Chart:** 18721**Map Book:** 994 E-J x 4**Decimal Degrees:** 34.4161 -119.80837**Site Description:**

This site is east of Goleta Beach County Park and is backed by More Mesa cliffs. The shoreline is fine-grained sand beach backed by the More Mesa bluffs. Offshore are the Goleta Rocks where harbor seals haul out.

**Resources at Risk:***ESI and Habitat:* 3A Fine- to medium-grained sand beaches

2A Exposed wave-cut platforms in bedrock, mud, or clay

1A Exposed Rocky Shore

**List of Resources at Risk:**

	<b>Resource Name</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Presence</b>	<b>Sensitivity</b>
Birds	Western snowy plover	FT, SSC	Oct-Feb	
Birds	shorebirds		Year-round	
Invertebrates	rocky intertidal invertebrates		Year-round	
Mammals	harbor seal	FP	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:**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name/Title</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Phone</b>
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	Justin Viezbicke/Marine Mammal Stranding	NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service	(562) 506-4315
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:**

Dec through May for harbor seal pupping and breeding and year round for harbor seal haul out. Harbor seal maximum count to date is 70. Wintering western snowy plovers may occur from Oct-Feb. Surfperch, common pacific littleneck clams and pismo clams may be present.

**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.

**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.

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

**Strategy: 4-657.1 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 unoiled 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
Misc.	Trash Bags					
Staff				5		
Vehicle	ATV			1		

**Logistics:**

*Directions:* Beach access from Goleta Beach County Park to the west. Land above the site is private property, access from there uncertain.

*Land Access:* Goleta Beach and south margin of Goleta Slough are accessible only through permission from SB County Parks. Beach access roads may require regarding before vehicles can enter or exit beaches. Barriers to longshore movement are variable according to tide and sand levels.

*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:*

*Communications Problems:*



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**No shoreline strategies;  
consider offshore strategies**