

**5-340 -A Site Summary- Newport Slough Wetland**

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County: **Orange Co.**  
 USGS Quad: **Newport Beach**

Thomas Guide Location: **888 E5**  
 NOAA Chart: **18746**

Latitude N Longitude W  
 Decimal Degrees: **33.63136 -117.95579**  
 ACP Division: **OR-B**

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**SITE DESCRIPTION:**

Coastal lagoon and wetlands complex connected to the Santa Ana River tidal gates.

**SEASONAL and SPECIAL RESOURCE CONCERN**

Rank A - Presence of listed species.

**RESOURCES OF PRIMARY CONCERN**

Coastal lagoon and wetlands complex.

California Least Tern (Federal and State endangered species), California Brown Pelican, Western Snowy Plover (Federal endangered species), Belding's Savannah Sparrow (State endangered species), wading birds, and shorebirds.

Intertidal mudflat.

**CULTURAL, HISTORIC, and ARCHEOLOGICAL SENSITIVITIES**

Contact the California Dept. of Parks and Recreation - Office of Historical Preservation at (916) 445-7000 and the South Central Coastal Information Center at (657) 278-5395 for specific information on historic or cultural resources in this area.

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

Type	Name / Title	Organization	Phone
E	Dept. of Public Works	County of Orange (24 hr)	(714) 628-7008
E	OC Watersheds	County of Orange (24 hr)	(877) 897-7455
E	Dept. of Public Works	County of Orange (8am - 5pm)	(714) 955-0200
E	Dept. of Public Works	County of Orange Facility Contact	(714) 448-1884
O		AES Power	(714) 374-1401
O		Newport Beach Fire Dept. (24 hr)	(949) 780-0981
O		Newport Beach Lifeguards (7am - 6pm)	(949) 644-3177
O		Newport Beach Police Dept. (24 hr)	(949) 644-3717
O		Orange County Sheriffs Dept. (24 hr)	(714) 288-6742
T	Nancy Frost CA Least Tern Survey	Calif. Dept. of Fish and Wildlife	(858) 467-4208
T		Calif. Dept. of Fish and Wildlife (24 hr)	(916) 358-1312
T		Calif. Dept. of Fish and Wildlife (Los Alamitos)	(562) 342-7100
T	OSPR Environmental Scientist	Calif. Dept. of Fish and Wildlife OSPR	(562) 598-6203
T	OSPR Environmental Scientist	Calif. Dept. of Fish and Wildlife OSPR	(562) 598-2849
T	OSPR Environmental Scientist	Calif. Dept. of Fish and Wildlife OSPR	(562) 342-7215
T	OSPR Technical Specialist	Calif. Dept. of Fish and Wildlife OSPR	(562) 598-4052
T	Orange Coast District	California State Parks	(949) 492-0802
T	Southern Comms Dispatch	California State Parks	(951) 443-2969
T		U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (24 hr)	(760) 607-9768
T		U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (8am - 4:30pm)	(760) 431-9440

**ADDITIONAL SITE SUMMARY COMMENTS:**

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**CONCERNS and ADVICE to RESPONDERS:**

To protect endangered and sensitive species and wetland habitat. Responders should watch for and avoid nesting birds and minimize disturbances to vegetation. Avoid the spread of oil into the wetland through response activities.

**HAZARDS and RESTRICTIONS:**

**SITE STRATEGIES**

Strategy 5-340.1 Objective: Exclusion of oil entry to wetland.

Close tidal gate 5-340.1a (downstream gate) and 5-340.1b (upstream gate). Call County of Orange, Dept. of Public Works phone numbers listed for assistance with closing gates. Workweek and 24 hr numbers are listed.

**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
5-340.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	

**LOGISTICS**

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

From northbound PCH in Newport Beach, turn right just before you reach the bridge over the Santa Ana River. There is a small place to park at the gate to the county access road.

**LAND ACCESS:** From parking area, procede on bicycle path a few yards to gates.

**WATER LOGISTICS:**

Limitations: depth, obstruction  
 Launching, Loading, Docking  
 and Services Available:

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

There is parking for 2 vehicles.

**COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS:** None.

**ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL COMMENTS:**

First responder may need bolt cutters for locks to tidal gates.

