



Refugio Beach Oil Spill: Natural Resource Damage Assessment Restoration Project Information Sheet

Background

As a result of the Refugio Beach Oil Spill, State and Federal trustee agencies (trustees), in cooperation with local cities, counties, and other organizations, are working to assess the ecological injuries and human use losses caused by the spill. Through this process, known as a natural resource damage assessment (NRDA), the trustees intend to quantify the injuries to wildlife, habitat, and lost use of those resources, and to develop a restoration plan. The trustees will ultimately make a claim for funds from the responsible party to implement restoration projects designed to both restore and compensate for the injured resources and human activities.

One of the steps within the NRDA process is to identify potential restoration ideas that will then be evaluated within the Damage Assessment Restoration Plan (DARP). The trustees work with the public to select and implement restoration projects which are best suited to recover damages to injured wildlife, habitats or lost services. Examples of restoration include replanting wetlands, improving fish access sites, and restoring bird habitat.

Criteria for restoration project selection are drawn from the federal regulations and include:

- Relationship to Injured Resources and/or Services
- Likelihood of Success
- Time to Provide Benefits
- Duration of Benefits
- Multiple Resource and Service Benefits
- Comprehensive Range of Projects
- Opportunities for Collaboration
- Educational/Research Value
- Cost-Effectiveness

While many projects have research value and most will have a monitoring component, projects must provide tangible benefits in the form of increased wildlife, enhanced habitat, or improved recreational use.

The trustees would like to start soliciting potential restoration ideas for the Refugio Beach oil spill. If you are interested in proposing a project, please fill out this form or download a fillable form online at <https://darrp.noaa.gov/oil-spills/refugio-beach-oil-spill> and e-mail to RefugioRestoration@fws.gov or fax to (805) 644-3958. Any and all restoration ideas are encouraged, even if they don't include all of the specific details requested in the form.

Your Contact Information

Organization (If Applicable)

The name of the organization or agency submitting the information.

Organization Web Page (If Applicable)

The web page of the above organization or agency.

Contact Name

The name of a person who can be contacted for additional information.

Contact Title (If Applicable)

The title of the above individual.

Contact Address

The mailing address of the above individual.

Contact Phone

The Phone number, Fax and E-mail of the above individual.

Proposed Project Information

Project Name:

The common name of the project, usually a combination of location and restoration activity, for example the China Camp Wetland Restoration project.

Project Location

The location where the restoration activity will take place, for example China Camp State Park.

Latitude and Longitude:

The project location in Degrees/Minutes/Seconds (e.g. 38 25 22, -120 22 44) or Decimal Degrees (38.2543, -120.4456)

Latitude:

Longitude:

Project Type:

Indicate the type of project (can be multiple)

- Restoration
- Creation
- Enhancement
- Protection
- Recreational
- Other:

Target Habitat of Project

Indicate the type of habitat the project will improve or enhance (can be multiple)

- Beach
- Intertidal
- Subtidal
- Seagrass
- N/A
- Other:

Target Resource of Project

Indicate the group or specific animal(s) the project will benefit (can be multiple)

- Bird
- Fish
- Marine Mammal
- Reptile
- N/A
- Other:

Project Description and Overall Benefits

Project Status

Project Status

What is the current status of this project?

- In-progress
- Permitting
- Planning
- Conceptual
- Other:

Project Partners (If Applicable)

Partner Organization

Other agencies or entities who are partners on an existing project.

Partner Contact Information

Organization, Name, Phone Number, Email