

SEARCH EFFORT LOG GUIDELINES

The Beach Search Effort Log documents the search effort associated with finding live and dead birds. This assists DFG analyze the effectiveness of the response and well as estimate the full impacts of the spill.

California Department of Fish and Game
Office of Spill Prevention and Response

Beach Search Effort Log

Searchers: _____

Date: _____

Time Offset: _____

Datum Setting: _____

OSPR-NRDA Use Only
Search Number: _____

Book _____ of _____

Searchers
Enter the names of the search members.

Date
Enter the date search was conducted

Time Offset
Enter the time offset from GMT (Zulu Time).

Datum Setting
Enter GPS Datum Setting (should be set at NAD83).

OSPR-NRDA Use Only
Ignore Search Number in the upper right and letters in the first column; these are for "internal use only" (tracking purposes).

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	Beach Name and/or Divisions	Start Time	End Time	Lat / Long North Extreme
A				
B				
C				
D				

Beach Name and/or Divisions
Location or Descriptive Name.

Start Time / End Time
This should include all time spent on the beach with your eyes open. This includes time spent doubling back and retracing your steps. Think of it as the time from when you step onto the beach until the time you step off it.

Lat / Long North & South Extreme
This refers to the endpoints of your search area. Ideally, these should be GPS points. Thus, when you go as far as you are going and turn around, take a GPS point or otherwise describe the location. (Note that the North and South extremes may be West and East for south facing)

Total Distance Searched
If you entered GPS points above, you may leave this blank and we will calculate it later. If the beach is a well-defined cove beach with cliffs at each end, you may simply write "all". Do NOT write "all" for open continuous beaches. If you don't have a GPS, please estimate the length of the beach you searched (perhaps using a map).

Method
Describe your method any way you want. "Scan" or "spot" for short scoping searches is fine and we encourage you to write that if that's what you did.

Animals collected
Write "None" for no animals; otherwise list animals collected and GPS location or physical location noting whether the animal is live or dead. For live and dead animals collected a bird band or mammal tag should be placed on the animal and band/tag number noted here. If band/tag is not available (or not able to be put on live animal), a unique number must be designated on the animal container and noted here for chain of custody purposes. In addition, note any identifying marks from previous existing beach surveys such as toe or wing clips. Also note if a live/dead animal is observed but not collected (and note GPS location, etc as above).

Lat / Long South Extreme	Total Distance Searched	Method (ATV/Foot/Scan)	Animal Collected Note: Live/Dead, GPS Coordinate, Temp Band/Tag/Unique #, Toe/Wing-Clipped Y or N

PHOTO LOG

Photo Number	Date	Notes / Comments

Photo Number
Enter the picture number displayed on your digital camera or on the camera roll.

Date
Enter the date photograph was taken.

Notes / Comments
Brief description of photograph or any other comments worth noting.