Appendix E Wildlife Management Plan

SLC Red Butte incident Wildlife Management Plan Updated: June 23, 2010 rjas

Objective(s):

1. To coordinate and manage oiled wildlife, care, and rehabilitation activities.

Overview:

Responders and the public are advised to contact Utah Department of Wildlife Resources and/or local Animal Control for oiled wildlife rescue and rehab.

Expected wildlife impacts include:

Oiled aquatic and shorebirds (Canada geese, various ducks, etc)

Fish

Small mammals (raccoons, etc)

Agency notifications and contacts made:

Federal:

US DOI Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS);

John Isanhart (consultation on impacts) 801 975 3330 ext 144

Chris Cline (consultation on impacts) 801 975 3330 x145

Bonnie Bell (enforcement; wildlife impact count) 435 590 4660

State:

Utah State Division of Wildlife Resources;

- Ray Loken 801 243 8618;

- Mike Roach 801 243 3813

Local:

Salt Lake County Animal Services (Animal Control);

- Matthew Hurtes 801 550 2721

Wildlife capture:

Procedure for Dead Fish:

- Field crews are to report to the agency any deceased fish that are less than 6 inches in length (a unified decision by US Fish & Wildlife and UT Division of Wildlife Resources). Once reported, Wildlife Management Contact in UC is contacted and the fish is photo documented along with date, time, location, and contact for witness. The fish is bagged and then taken to Liberty Park staging area to be put on ice. UT Division of Wildlife Resources is contacted to officially identify and take custody of the fish.
- The four fish that are primary species of concern (a unified decision by US Fish & Wildlife and UT Division of Wildlife Resources), that will be documented in the ICS 209, are:
 - o June Sucker, Chasmistes liorus
 - Speckled Dace, Rhinichthys osculus
 - Bonneville Cutthroat, Oncorhynchus clarki utah
 - o Mottled Sculpin, Cottus bairdii

Procedure for Dead Birds:

 Birds, with the exception of sparrows and starlings, found by crews are called into the Wildlife Management Contact in IC. It is photo documented along with date, time, location, and contact for witness. UT Division of Wildlife Resources is contacted.

Procedure for Live Wildlife:

 For capture and rehab of oiled wildlife, contact Salt Lake County Animal Services, 801-743-7045.

Contact (Birds and Small Mammals): Salt Lake County Animal Services; 801 743 7045

Contact (All): Utah State Division of Wildlife Resources; 801 491 5678 or contacts listed for State above

Wildlife rehab:

- 1. Hogle Zoo (as of 6/15/10, resources full and not accepting new birds)
- Salt Lake County Animal Services is coordinating with state and federal agencies for current wildlife rescue and rehab (operational as of Monday June 14, at 1:00pm)

Additional contact phone numbers:

- 1. Nancy Carpenter DVM; Hogle Zoo; 801 584 1795
- 2. Jared Zierenberg; USDA; 801 440 5083

Additional resources if needed:

- 1. Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education; http://wrande.org/;
- 2. International Bird Rescue Research Center: (707) 207-0380
- 3. TriState Bird Rescue and Research: (302) 737-9543

Checklist:

- 1. Notify federal (e.g., USFWS, NMFS) and state (e.g., Department of Fish and Game) regulatory agencies.
- 2. Establish a clear line of communication with the regulatory authorities.
- 3. Delineate wildlife management responsibilities between Chevron and the government authorities.
- 4. Determine if an oiled wildlife response program is necessary or warranted.
- 5. Determine necessary collection and holding permits and contact appropriate federal and state regulatory agencies.
- 6. Coordinate rehabilitation facility needs with logistics.
- 7. Additional support may be needed for wildlife "hotline."
- 8. Collection permits are likely to be needed.
- 9. Identify appropriate professionals and/or organizations needed for rescue/rehabilitation efforts.
- 10. Identify/utilize local experts to assist.

- 11. Consider hazing to help deter sensitive species from the impact area.
- 12. Identify suitable facilities to serve as rehabilitation centers.
- 13. Develop logistical plans to secure needed equipment for rehabilitation center(s).
- 14. Plan for housing and feeding of rehabilitation center staff.
- 15. Train capture and rehabilitation center staff appropriately for their duties.
- 16. Develop documentation procedures for all animals brought to rehabilitation centers/morgues.
- 17. Coordinate with Public Relations Office in dealing with the media and public concerns.