

British Columbia Beached Bird Survey - Beach Description

Beach Name: _____

Surveyor(s): _____

Phone No.: _____ Date: _____

Fill out this form once and return it with your first set of survey forms but keep a copy for your own reference. Please mark the start and end point of your survey on the map provided. If you have a GPS (optional), please indicate the latitude and longitude of your start and end points using NAD 83. Use the back of this page to sketch any other details of your beach (access roads, important landmarks, etc.)

Description of Start Point

Latitude: _____

Longitude: _____

Description of End Point

Latitude: _____

Longitude: _____

Backshore Type (i.e., upper zone of beach above the high tide line). Check all that apply to major sections of the beach.

- Rock Cliff Wooded Marsh Other (Explain): _____
 Unconsolidated Cliff Dunes Inlet/Lagoon _____

Shoreline Classification (check one each of topography and substrate):

Topography:

- Cliff Headland
 Cliff with Platform Pocket Beach
 Cliff with Platform and Beach Open Beach

Substrate:

- Rock platform Sandy Beach
 Boulder/Cobble Beach Mixed Sediment Beach
 Gravel Beach Mudflat

Slope of Land (identify the percentage of beach characterized by each slope category. Please be sure that the total sums 100%):

Low (30° or less): _____%

High (61-90°): _____%

Medium (31-60°): _____%

Vertical (greater than 90°): _____%

Comment on any site-specific factors which might affect the deposition of dead birds on the beach (i.e., Prevailing winds, wave action, currents, tidal variation)

Directions to Beach/Access Restrictions/Projected Accessibility (sketch on back if necessary):

