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| **British Columbia Beached Bird Survey –** **Beach Description Form** |
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| Beach Name:       | Date:       | Beach Length (m.):      |
| Surveyor(s):       | Phone:       |
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| 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.) |
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| **Start Point** | **End Point** |
| Latitude:     | Latitude:       |
| Longitude:       | Longitude:       |
| Description:        | Description:        |
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| **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[ ]  Unconsolidated Cliff | [ ]  Wooded[ ]  Dunes | [ ]  Marsh[ ]  Inlet/Lagoon | [ ]  Other (Explain):      |
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| **Shoreline Classification** (Check one each of topography and substrate): |
| **Topography:** |  | **Substrate:**  |  |
| [ ]  Cliff | [ ]  Headland | [ ]  Rock Platform | [ ]  Sandy Beach |
| [ ]  Cliff with Platform | [ ]  Pocket Beach | [ ]  Boulder/Coble Beach | [ ]  Mixed Sediment Beach |
| [ ]  Cliff with Platform and beach | [ ]  Open Beach | [ ]  Gravel Beach | [ ]  Mudflat |
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| **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°):     % |
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| **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)      |
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| **Directions to Beach/Access Restrictions/Projected Accessibility** (sketch on back if necessary):      |