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**Subject:** Snowy Plover Found at Oceano Dunes SVRA 8-28-2019  
**Date:** Friday, August 30, 2019 12:41:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [Photo 3.jpg](#)  
[plover3.jpg](#)  
[Photo 1.jpg](#)  
[Plover190828sur0020.pdf](#)

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Chris and Laura,

On August 28, 2019 our staff found an banded dead adult snowy plover in an area of the park where street legal vehicles are allowed (north of Post Marker 1, near Arroyo Grande Creek). This bird was banded BB:VG and hatched from Oceano in 2017. We had two birds with this band combination, a male that is a confirmed breeding bird from 2019 and a female that is a confirmed breeding bird from 2018 and 2019. The female was last seen alive on August 10 at the site.

The bird was found in an older vehicle track, was observed to be flattened, but was also in an advanced state of decay with evidence of it being scavenged.

I am attaching photos of the area and close up photos of the bird as found. I adjusted the size of the photos for this e-mail, but I can send larger sized files that show more detail if you would like them. I am also attaching a public safety report (190828SUR-0020).

As our breeding season winds down, we have observed birds starting to form non-breeding flocks throughout the park. We have been monitoring these flocks on a daily basis. We place speed limit and educational signs around the flocks and adjust throughout the day as conditions change. We have also increased our law enforcement activities around the flocks and other areas deemed sensitive. Finally, we continue to provide educational materials to our visitors to advise them of the sensitive species in the park and the measures that they can take to support our endangered species management program.

We have placed this bird in the freezer with our field notes if you determine a necropsy is necessary.

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**Subject:** Snowy Plover Found at Oceano Dunes SVRA September 24 2019  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 27, 2019 12:07:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [IMG\\_0631.jpg](#)  
[IMG\\_0635.jpg](#)  
[IMG\\_0636.jpg](#)  
[190824sur0020 Plover.pdf](#)

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Chris and Laura,

On August 24, 2019 our staff found an unbanded dead adult snowy plover in an area of the park where street legal vehicles are allowed (southwest of CXT D near the Search and Rescue Base and east of the camping area). The bird was in an area with multiple vehicle tracks but was not in recent vehicle tracks.

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**PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT**

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<input type="checkbox"/> <b>CRIME</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>INCIDENT</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>FIRE</b>	EVENT NUMBER 190823SUR-0017	PARK UNIT NAME ODSVRA	PARK UNIT NO. 264	DISTRICT NAME Oceano Dunes District	
	CODE SECTION AND DESCRIPTION, OR TYPE OF INCIDENT Deceased Snowy Plover				
	LOCATION 50 yds NE CXT G		COUNTY San Luis Obispo		
DATE OCCURRED UNK		TIME OCCURRED From UNK To		DATE REPORTED 8.23.19	TIME REPORTED 0830
OTHER AGENCY NA		OTHER AGENCY REPORT NO. NA		FILE CONTROL NO. NA	
<b>PARTY 1</b>	DRIVER LICENSE/IDENTIFICATION CARD NO.			STATE	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>VICTIM</b>	NAME (FIRST, MI, LAST) California State Parks Oceano Dunes District			<input type="checkbox"/> Reporting Party	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>WITNESS</b>	STREET ADDRESS 340 James Way, Ste 270				
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>INVOLVED</b>	CITY / STATE / ZIP CODE Pismo Beach, CA 93449				
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>SUSPECT</b>	SEX	HAIR	EYES	HEIGHT	WEIGHT
					BIRTHDATE (M/D/YYYY)
					RACE
					OTHER
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>ARRESTED</b>	HOME PHONE		BUSINESS PHONE (805) 773-7170		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>INJURED</b>	VEHICLE YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	COLOR	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>FATAL</b>	VEHICLE TYPE	LICENSE NO.	STATE	ADDITIONAL VEHICLE IDENTIFIERS	
<b>PARTY 2</b>	DRIVER LICENSE/IDENTIFICATION CARD NO.			STATE	
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<b>SPECIAL HANDLING/STATUS</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Hate Crime <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Confidentiality <input type="checkbox"/> State Assets Lost/Stolen (copy to Audits Office)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence <input type="checkbox"/> PC 293 Confidentiality <input type="checkbox"/> Attorney General Notified					
<input type="checkbox"/> Outside Agency Assist <input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety Section Review <input type="checkbox"/> Copy to Local Law Enforcement					
SIGNATURE A Diepenbrock		TITLE SPPOL		BADGE NO. 1656	DATE 8.23.19
SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISOR <i>A. Park</i>		TITLE SPPoS		BADGE NO. 1487	DATE 8/23/19

☐ Additional Code Sections  
(see attached)

**LOCATION TYPE/POINT OF ORIGIN**

- ☐ Outside of Park  
☒ OHV Area  
☐ Ocean/Bay  
☒ Beach (Sand or Rock)  
☐ Tide Pool  
☐ Cliff  
☐ Paved Walkway  
☐ Designated Trail (Single track)  
☐ Undesignated Trail (Volunteer)  
☐ Unpaved Service or Fire Road  
☐ Paved Bike Trail (Multiuse Path)  
☐ Public Road  
☐ Bridge  
☐ Parking Lot  
☐ Developed Campsite  
☐ Undeveloped Campsite  
☐ Corporation Yard  
☐ Residence Area  
☐ Other Developed Area  
☐ Other Undeveloped Area  
☐ Vehicle

**Lake/Reservoir**

- ☐ Designated Swim Area  
☐ Non-Designated Swim Area

**River/Pond/Slough**

- ☐ White Water  
☐ Moving  
☐ Non-Moving

**Building/Structure**

- ☒ Concession Facility  
☐ Historic Building  
☐ Stairway  
☐ Restroom  
☐ Other Building/Structure

**TRANSPORTED BY (check one)**

- ☐ Self ☐ Ambulance  
☐ Friend/Family ☐ Other Agency  
☐ Paramedics ☒ DPR

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	PARK UNIT NAME <b>Oceano Dunes SVRA</b>			PARK UNIT NO. <b>264</b>

**NARRATIVE:**



On Thursday, 8.23.19 at about 0830 hours, I was on duty at the Oceano Dunes in the area of Post 3 on the beach. At this time, State Park Resource Ecologist Jessica Wagner requested an officer to take a report of a Snowy Plover that was found deceased on the beach. I responded to area of CXT G. Wagner showed me where the plover was laying on the sand After I spoke with Wagner and examined the scene, Wagner collected the bird to be sent for necropsy.

**SCENE:**

The bird was found approximately 50 yards North East of CXT G. The bird had been split in half. The upper portion of the Snowy Plover was on the West side of a tire track and the bottom half was on the East side of the tire track. The tire track was running North to South or vice versa. The entrails of the bird were found on the East side of the tire track just North of the lower half. The area was open to the public including vehicles at the time the bird was found. On this day, the weather was foggy with a light breeze and low visitation. Park visitation on the 23<sup>th</sup> and the preceding four days were as follows:

Date	Day Use	OHV (Incoming)	Camping
8.19.19	519	24	183
8.20.19	450	27	84
8.21.19	508	20	73
8.22.19	502	71	83
8.23.19	Data no collected as	Of 8.23.19 1003 hrs	185

Nothing further to report.

PREPARER NAME  A. Diepenbrock	BADGE NO. 1656	MO. 8	DAY 23	YR. 19	REVIEWER NAME 	BADGE NO. 1487	MO. 8	DAY 23	YR. 19
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1 **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 2 Please forward a copy of this report to Oceano Dunes District Superintendent and Senior  
3 Environmental Scientist.

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A. Diepenbrock	1656	8	23	19	J. Paul	1487	8	23	19

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<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT	DATE OF ORIGINAL INCIDENT <b>08/19/19</b>	TIME OCCURRED <b>0719 HRS</b>	EVENT NUMBER <b>190819SUR0014</b>	PAGE <b>1 of 1</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> VESSEL ACCIDENT REPORT	DISTRICT NAME <b>Oceano Dunes</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> TRAFFIC COLLISION	PARK UNIT NAME <b>Oceano Dunes SVRA</b>			PARK UNIT NO. <b>264</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INCIDENT REPORT				

## SUMMARY:

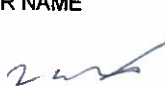

On 08/19/19, at about 0740 hours, I was on duty, in full uniform, in a marked patrol vehicle at the Oceano Dunes Ranger Station. I received a report from Environmental Services Intern, M. MARTINEZ of a deceased Snowy Plover in the area East of Post 6, at the Oceano Dunes SVRA.

At 0810 hours, I met M. MARTINEZ about 300 yards ESE of POST 6, long/lat of 35.061483, -120.626554. I observed the carcass of a deceased Snowy Plover (please see attached photos). The following is a summary of M. MARTINEZ's statement:

*I first observed the Snowy Plover carcass at about 0719 hours. It appears it may been a victim of predation based on the age of the carcass and detached wing. I have not disturbed the carcass or the sand surrounding it since the time of first observation.*

Photos 1 – 4 are of the carcass in its original place. M. MARTINEZ removed the carcass from the sand, which exposed the entire carcass. Photo 5 is the carcass in this position.

After the investigation, M. MARTINEZ, took the carcass with her.

PREPARER NAME	BADGE NO.	MO.	DAY	YR.	REVIEWER NAME	BADGE NO.	MO.	DAY	YR.
M. Cueto 	1632	08	19	19	M. Lack 	1082	8	19	19