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Estimated Costs

Condition 1: None

Condition 2:

Breeding program/relocation for 5 species	\$ 3,000,000
Education/enforcement to limit contact with injured species	800,000
Acquisition of timber rights (200,000 acres)	200,000,000
Acquisition of mineral rights	200,000,000

SUBTOTAL: \$ 403,800,000

Condition 3:

Breeding program	\$ 7,000,000
Education/enforcement to limit contact with injured species	2,000,000
Acquisition of timber rights	500,000,000
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SUBTOTAL \$1,009,000,000

BIRDS

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Estimated Costs

Condition 1: None

Condition 2:

Breeding program/relocation for 10 species \$	3,000,000
Education/enforcement to limit contact with injured species	800,000
Acquisition of timber rights ²	
Acquisition of mineral rights ³	
SUBTOTAL: \$	3,800,000

Condition 3:

Breeding program/relocation for 30 species \$	6,000,000
Education/enforcement to limit contact with injured species	800,000
Acquisition of timber rights ⁴	
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SUBTOTAL: \$	6,800,000

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FISH AND SHELLFISH

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Condition 3: The restoration approach under condition 3 is the same as under condition 2, but with a more intensive level of effort.

Estimated Costs

Condition 1: None

Condition 2:

Brooding program/relocation/hatcheries	\$ 15,000,000
Enforcement to limit commercial/sports fishing of injured species	3,000,000
Acquisition of timber rights ⁶	
Acquisition of mineral rights ⁷	
SUBTOTAL	\$ 19,000,000

Condition 3:

Brooding program/relocation	\$ 39,600,000
Education/enforcement to limit contact with injured species	4,000,000
Acquisition of timber rights ⁸	
Acquisition of mineral rights ⁹	
SUBTOTAL	\$

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HABITATS

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Assumed Level of

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Estimated Costs

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Condition 2:

Wetlands: excavation/replanting (150 acres \$300,000/acre)	\$ 450,000,000
SUBTOTAL	\$ 450,000,000

Condition 3:

Wetlands: excavation/replanting (200 acres \$300,000/acre)	\$ 600,000,000
Uplands: acquisition	100,000,000
Intertidal: reestablish food chain	200,000,000
Subtidal: establish marine parks	100,000,000
SUBTOTAL	

\$1,000,000,000

CULTURAL RESOURCES

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Condition 3: Many archeological sites and burial grounds were injured by the oil itself and by the cleanup efforts.

Restoration Approaches

Condition 1: No restoration.

Condition 2: Protect cultural sites from further degradation by controlling erosion. Return artifacts removed by archaeologists and cleanup workers after EVOS.

Condition 3: Same as condition 2, but with more intensive efforts.

Estimated Costs

Condition 1: None

Condition 2:

Erosion control	\$	100,000
Program to return artifacts		100,000
SUBTOTAL	\$	200,000

Condition 3:

Erosion control	\$	500,000
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SUBTOTAL:		700,000

RECREATIONAL RESOURCES

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SUMMARY OF ESTIMATED COSTS

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