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- 1) Recommend updating all references to the Wildlife Protection Guidelines (WPG) for Oil Spill Response in Alaska to the most current version (2020.2)
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- 5) Page 3-41 section 3.9.1. Many of the bird colonies included here are far from the facilities. recommend updating this list with bird colony information from the North Pacific Seabird Database: Third full paragraph: recommend updating with bird colony data from https://axiom.sesabirds.net/maps/js/seabirds.php?app=north_pacific#z=3&11=55.00000,-170.00000.
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