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Isla de Lobos
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This is a 28-min edited video prepared on May 14 and 15 at NOAA from original material taken by Dr. Alberto Ponce de Leon (INAPE, Montevideo, UY). The oil originally spilled on February 8, 1997. The first six minutes are scenes from the first, second and third day following the arrival of San Jorge Canadon Seco oil on the southern shore of Isla de Lobos (February 12-13). The remaining portion of the video is intended to show various activities associated with cleanup, disposal of oily waste and disposal and treatment of dead pups (March 5 through March 18). This tape does not include material taken February 21 by Dr. Alan Mearns as part of the UNDP visit.

Min/Sec	Event
00.00	Begin Presentation
00.16	Uruguay Map, Geography
00.33	Day 1 of oiling (February 13, 1997). Bajo Grande and Oil Tankers
00.49	Piedra Alta: Sub-adult male with petrol
01.09	Piedra Alta, oily beach
01.20	Piedra Alta, oily rocks
01.36	Pools of liquid oil
02.07	Bajo Grande: Oily pups searching shade in crevasses
02.25	Bajo Grande: heavily oiled sub-adult, sick
02.38	Bajo Grande: oil coming in with waves
03.05	Plan Reynosa and Los Vinachas with oiled rocks
03.55	Las Vinachas: oil in water in front of site
04.21	Las Bovedas: view of the oiled places
05.32	Las Bovedas: pups in tide-pool with tar-balls
05.44	Heavily oiled ground in ???
05.55	Pure oil in pools
06.29	Landing Craft (LCV) coming to dock with Sphag-sorb (March 6)
06.43	Armada Nacional off-loading Sphag-sorb on pier
06.53	Single tractor used to transport supplies, wastes
07.08	Preparing a drift-wood fire to burn collected oil
07.24	Burning liquid oil in fire
08.20	Collecting liquid oil for burning
08.50	Bajo Grande: Spreading peat moss (Sphag-sorb). (March 5)
09.15	Brushing rocks with wire (iron) brushes
09.30	Dying pup under crevasse and tagged pups (March 5)
10.06	Cleaning oil with spatulas
10.30	Brushing oiled rocks
10.53	Piedra Alta: spreading Sphag-sorb (peat moss)(March 5)
11.36	Preparing bags of oiled sand and peat for disposal
11.53	Bajo Grande: Carrying bags of oily waste up canyon

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12.30	Preparing seal pup cleaning pool
13.08	Catching oiled pups for cleaning attempt
13.22	Oiled pups in the peat moss pool
15.30	Brushing oiled pups in peat moss pool
16.22	Releasing brushed pups
16.47	Las Vinachas: Shoveling oiled sphag-sorb (March 13).
17.43	Pile of disposal bags from tractor, temporary collection area
18.14	View of camp staging area from lighthouse tower
18.40	Loading waste material bags onto LCV
19.08	LCV departing Isla de Lobos for Punta del Este
19.25	Brushing rock; used brushes (March 18)
19.53	Scraping tools, used brushes
20.15	Pup cemetery with quick-lime. Cemeteries located only over bed-rock (not soil) (March 13).
20.57	Dissection (autopsy) of female (with E. Paez).
22.12	Pup Cemetery with quick-lime
22.35	Scene of waves, beach; big wave, shows surf washing rocks.
24.04	Aerial view of shoreline areas from lighthouse.
23.40	Bajo Grande rocks clean, view of sea (March 16)
24.02	Aerial view of the affected areas from lighthouse
24.46	Las Vinachas after cleaning
25.22	Aerial view of Bajo Grande cleaned.
26.18	Cleaned sand and gravel with pups (March 18)
26.45	Bajo Grande: live females and pups
27.20	Females and pups in Playa Reynosa
27.45	View from Piedra Alta
28.00	Oil tanker
28.20	end

General History

February 8	Tanker San Jorge strikes rock ca. 20 mi from Isla de Lobos
February 12	Oil comes ashore on Isla de Lobos and Punta del Este
February 13	Cleaning begins at Punta del Este
February 21	UNDP/NOAA site visit to Isla de Lobos
February 27	UNDP Report and Recommendations
March 1-5	Preparations for manual cleaning of Isla de Lobos
March 5-18	Manual and Sphag-sorb clean-up of Isla de Lobos
April 10	UNDP video and slides presented at Ft. Lauderdale
May 4-16	Uruguayan scientist and OSC visit NOAA, Seattle