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Project Instructions

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Project Number: DY-19-04 (OMAO)

Project Title: Eco-FOCI Spring Mooring Cruise and Hydrographic Survey - 2019

Project Dates: April 19, 2019 to May 02, 2019

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I. Overview

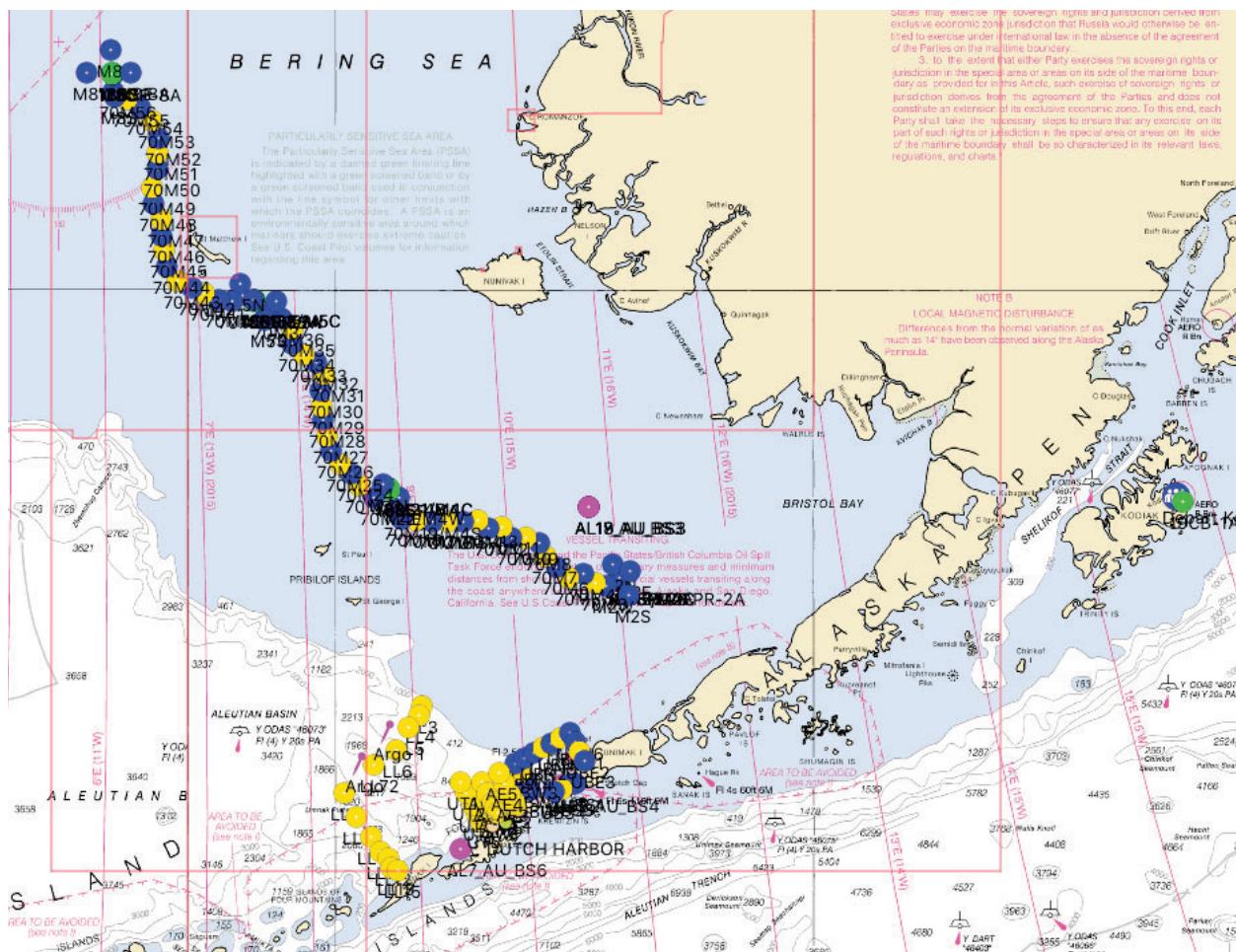
A. Brief Summary and Project Period

Eco-FOCI 2019 Spring Mooring cruise and hydrographic/biological survey in the Bering Sea, April 19 to May 02, 2019.

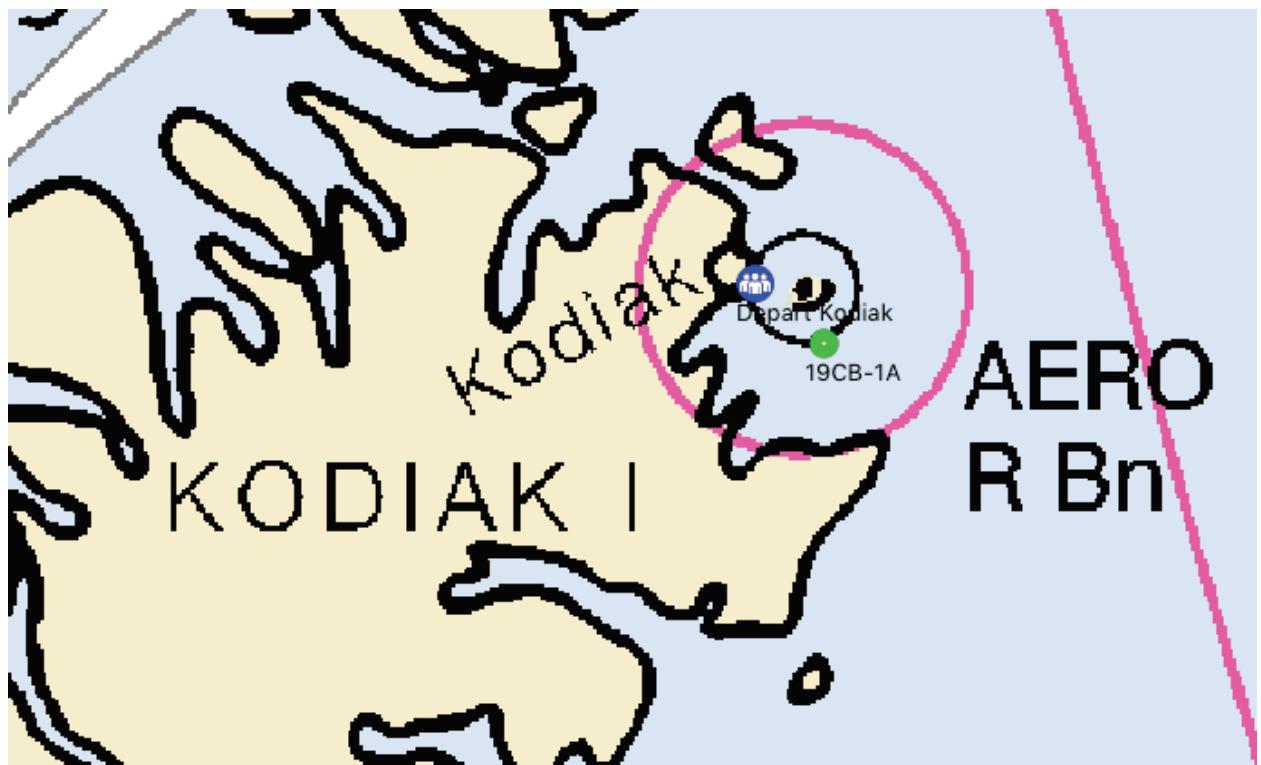
B. Days at Sea (DAS)

Of the 14 DAS scheduled for this project, 0 DAS are funded by an OMAO allocation, 14 DAS are funded by a Line Office Allocation, 0 DAS are Program Funded, and 0 DAS are Other Agency funded. This project is estimated to exhibit a High Operational Tempo.

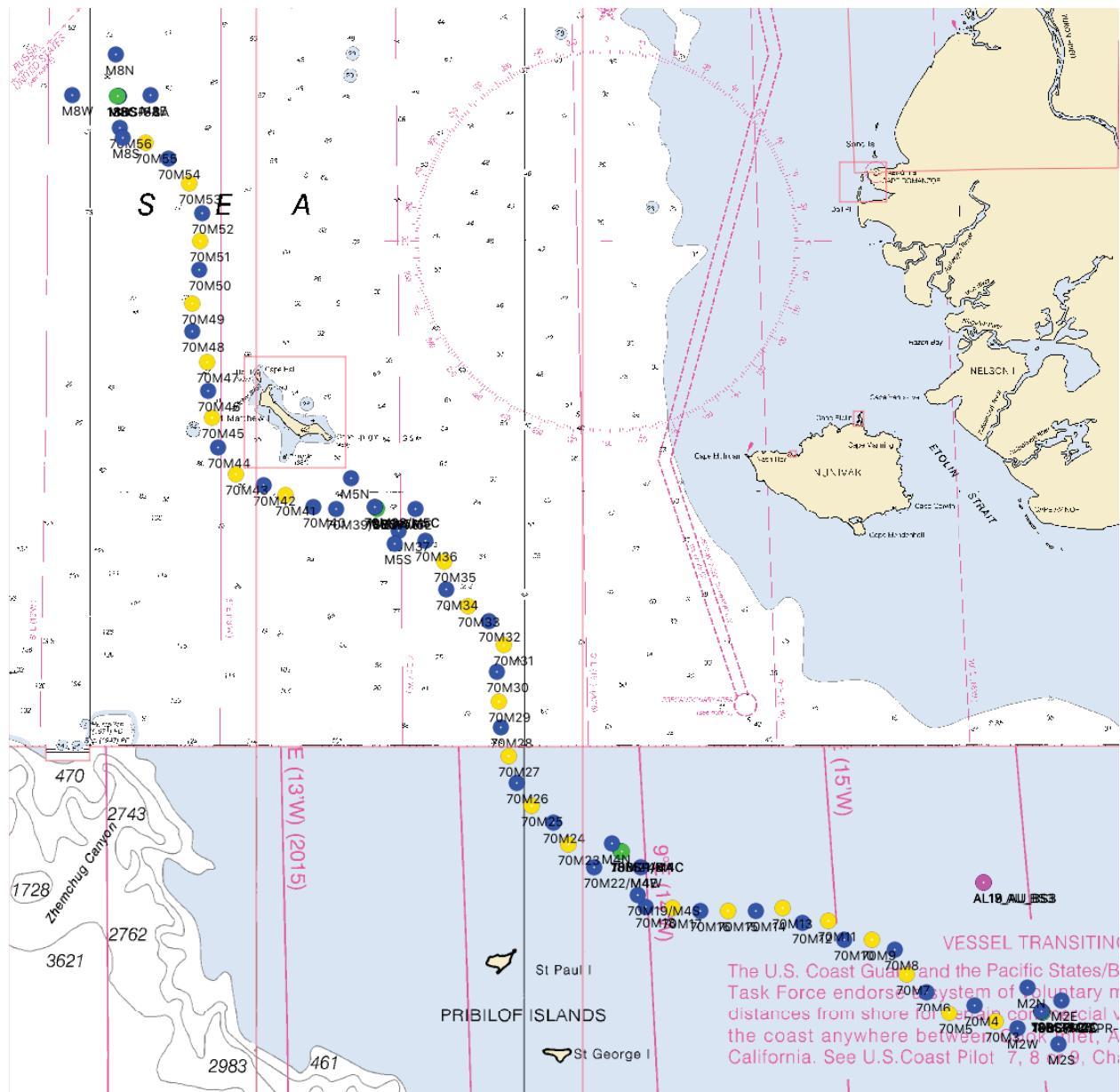
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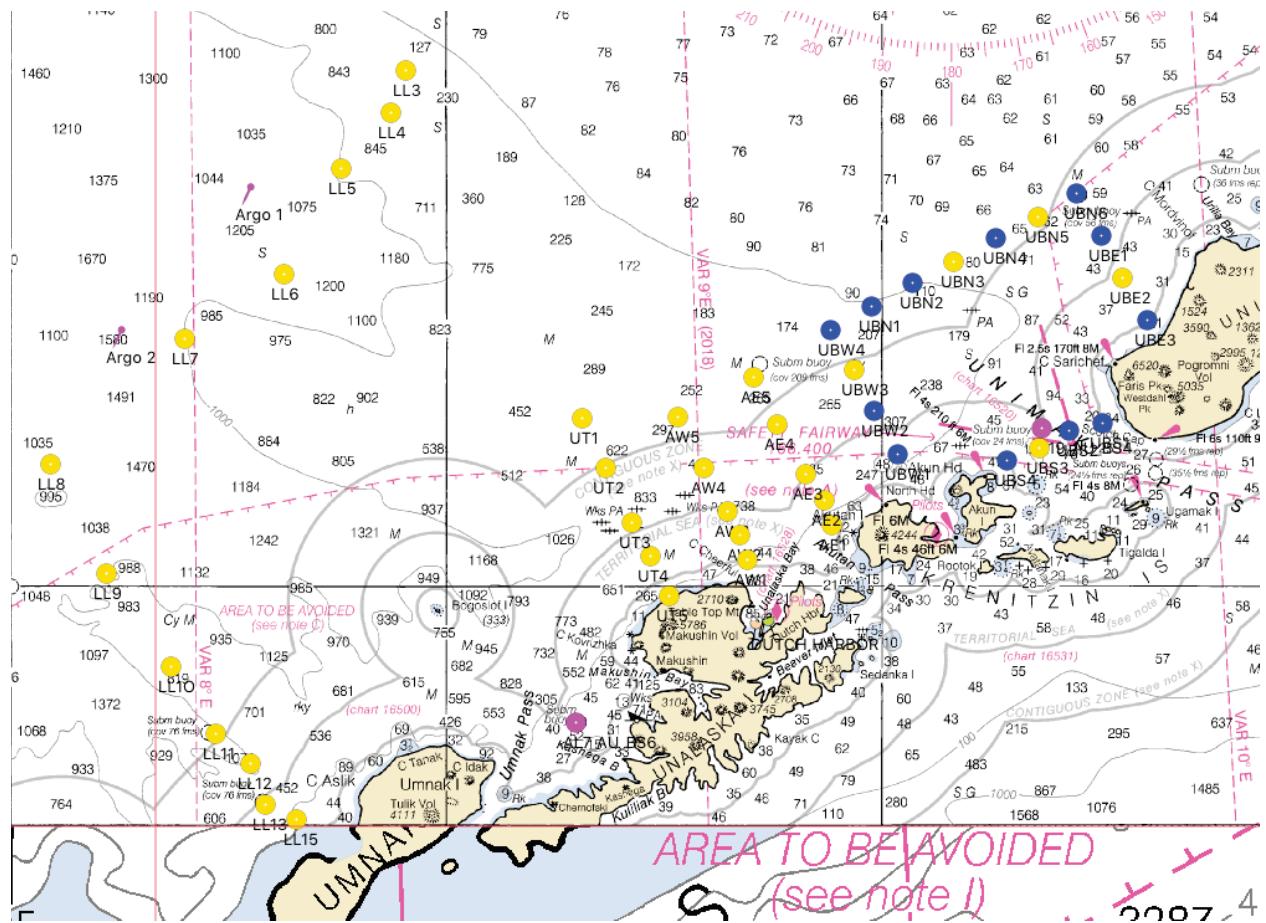
Overall Area of Operations



Kodiak Island and Chiniak Mooring Area



70-meter isobath area of operations



The Unimak Box, L-Line and Bering Canyon Transects

- CTD/Bongo
- CTD only
- Subsurface Mooring – Eco-FOCI
- Marine Mammal Mooring
- + Argo Float deployment

D. Summary of Objectives

This project is intended to recover and deploy a subsurface mooring at the Chiniak Canyon, deploy a marine mammal subsurface mooring in the Unimak Pass, recover two (2) subsurface moorings and deploy two (2) surface moorings and one (1) subsurface mooring in the Bering Sea at Mooring Site 2; recover four (4) and deploy three (3) Marine Mammal moorings in Bering Sea. Additionally, a

hydrographic/biological survey consisting primarily of Conductivity, Temperature, and Depth (CTD) casts; 20/60 cm Bongo tows and CalCOFI Vertical Egg Tows (CalVETs) in the Unimak Pass area, along the 70-meter isobath at selected stations and in boxes about the four (4) mooring sites along the 70-meter isobaths. Additionally, 96 Sonobouys, 2 Argo floats and an Oculus Glider will be deployed. The Oculus Glider will be deployed at the ice edge at the northern end of the 70-meter isobaths. If located, dragging for a Marine Mammal Mooring will also be attempted. If time permits, additional stations may be sampled along a line transecting the shelf break and transects of the Bering Canyon.

E. Participating Institutions:

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F. Personnel/Science Party: name, title, gender, affiliation, and nationality:

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2. Diplomatic Clearances

None Required.

3. Licenses and Permits

This project will be conducted under the Scientific Research Permit (U.S.) (SRP) #2019-B2 (US), effective April 19 to October 8, 2019. Issued to Robert Foy, Science and Research Director – AFSC.

II. Operations

The Chief Scientist is responsible for ensuring the scientific staff are trained in planned operations and are knowledgeable of project objectives and priorities. The Commanding

Officer is responsible for ensuring all operations conform to the ship's accepted practices and procedures.

A. Project Itinerary:

Load in Seattle, WA before transit to Kodiak, Date to be determined

Scientists Arrive in Kodiak, Wednesday, April 17, 2019

Load additional equipment from UAF

Set up Moorings and labs for project, Thursday, April 18, 2019

Departure: Kodiak, AK, Friday, April 19, 2019

Arrival: Dutch Harbor, AK, Thursday, May 02, 2019

B. Staging and Destaging:

The science party will load the majority of their equipment onto the ship at Pier 91 in the Seattle, WA harbor. The equipment will be trucked to the pier by the members of the party, however it is requested that the ship provide crane services and operators and the necessary deck department personnel to move equipment from the pier onto the ship.

Additional equipment will be shipped to Kodiak from UAF for loading on the ship. It is requested that the ship provide crane services and operators and deck department personnel in Kodiak for loading this equipment on to the ship.

The science party will provide their own transportation while in port in Kodiak and Dutch Harbor, for moving people and equipment as necessary. The science party will be responsible for the setting up of their equipment in the labs and on deck and assembling the moorings. A crane operator and possible deck crew assistance for assembling the moorings Kodiak is requested.

At the end of the project, the majority of the equipment will remain onboard the *Dyson* until the end of the subsequent project – DY1903 – when it will be offloaded and shipped to Seattle. Equipment will also be shipped to UAF at the end of project DY1902, assistance for offloading is requested, a crane operator and deck crew.

C. Operations to be Conducted:

- a. **Chiniak Canyon:** A subsurface mooring will be recovered and a new one deployed in the Chiniak Canyon. A CTD for calibration of the instruments will be conducted prior to recovery.
- b. **Unimak Box CTDs:** CTDs will be conducted at each of 18 stations in the "box" in and around Unimak Pass. At each station within the pass, UBS1-4,

and at alternating stations along the sides and across the top of the box, a 20/60 cm bongo tow will be also conducted.

- c. **FOCI Bering Sea Mooring Site 2:** Depending upon arrival time, the project will commence mooring operations at the mooring site, or the CTD “box” will be conducted. At the mooring site, the center of the box, pre- and post-deployment calibration CTD casts will be conducted. These will consist of one or possibly two casts as necessary to obtain the necessary water samples. The CTD box will consist of a CTD and a 20/60 cm bongo tow at each of the four corner stations; a CTD, 20/60 cm bongo tow, and three (3) CalVETs will be conducted at the center station. The center CTD will also be the calibration casts.
Two subsurface moorings will be recovered. Two surface moorings and one subsurface mooring will be deployed at this site.
- d. **Oculus Coastal Glider:** The Oculus Coastal Glider, an autonomous diving instrument will be deployed as close to the ice edge as possible, most likely near Mooring Site 4 or 5. It may be recovered later in the project if the Glider malfunctions. Deployment and recovery of the Glider will necessitate small boat operations. After deployment of the Oculus Glider, it will be necessary for the ship to loiter in the area for at least six (6) hours to ensure the Glider is functioning correctly and to recover it if necessary.
- e. **70-meter Isobath Survey Line:** A CTD cast with sampling for salinity, chlorophyll, nutrients and oxygen will be conducted at each of 56 stations along the 70-meter isobath. Alternate stations will consist of a CTD and a 20/60 cm bongo tow. Stations will commence at Mooring Site 2 and proceed as far north as time, weather and ice conditions permit.
CTDs will be conducted to within 5 meters of the bottom unless it is deemed prudent to go to only 10 meters due to weather conditions and ship motion. Winch speeds should be 30 meters/minute or less on the up and down cast.
- f. **Primary Production experiments:** Primary production experiments are planned for this project. Two - 3 ft long x 2 ft wide x 2 ft high live wells will need to be staged on the after deck in an area with minimal shading by the ship’s structure (near the fish table). A saltwater supply from the ship’s science salt water system will need to be provided.
- g. **FOCI Bering Sea Moorings, Sites 4, 5, and 8:** If weather and ice conditions permit access to these sites, using a sampling regime similar to that at **Mooring Site 2**; CTDs, 20/60 cm bongo tows, and CalVETs; will be conducted at each mooring site and the box about them.
- h. **Marine Mammal Moorings:** A marine mammal mooring will be deployed in the Unimak Pass. Two marine mammal moorings will be deployed in the vicinity of the 70-meter line and the Bering Canyon transects. Additionally, a

- lost mooring from 2017/8 will be searched for and recovery attempted if the mooring is located
- i. **L-Line:** Up to 12 stations may be sampled along the “**L-Line**” if time permits. CTDs will be to within 5 meters of the bottom or a maximum of 1500 meters. At depths greater than 200 meters, the speed of the CTD winch may be increased to a speed commensurate with safe operations.
 - j. **Bering Canyon transects:** As time permits, additional CTD only stations may be conducted along lines transecting the Bering Canyon.
 - k. **Argo Float Deployments:** Two Argo floats may be deployed when the ship is in water whose depth exceeds 2000 meters (along the **L-Line**). The floats are programmed to dive to a depth of 2000 meters, shallower deployment depths will result in the floats striking the bottom. These floats can be deployed over the side of the ship using a hand line and do not require any lifting equipment.
 - l. **Sonobuoys:** As time and conditions permit, sonobuoys
 - m. will be deployed to listen for whales.

D. Dive Plan

All dives are to be conducted in accordance with the requirements and regulations of the NOAA Diving Program (<http://www.ndc.noaa.gov/dr.html>) and require the approval of the ship’s Commanding Officer.

Dives are not planned for this project

E. Applicable Restrictions

Conditions which preclude normal operations:

Poor weather, ice coverage, unforeseen conditions, or equipment failure are among circumstances that may preclude operations. In the case of bad weather conditions, it will be necessary to wait it out, or change the project track to provide for the best chances of completing the project goals. Equipment failures, such as the A-frame or winches will need to be addressed immediately for the project to continue. Ice coverage, especially in the northern end of the 70-meter isobath survey would preclude CTD/bongo operations. Additionally, the surface floats will not be deployed if there is a chance of ice in their vicinity.

III. Equipment

A. Equipment and Capabilities provided by the ship (itemized)

Hydrographic winch with slip rings and 3-conductor cable, terminated for the CTD,

Sea-Bird Electronics' SBE 911 plus CTD system with stand and dual Temperature and Conductivity sensors; the CTD system should include underwater CTD, weights, altimeter, there should be a deck unit and interfacing computers for the system,

10-liter Niskin sampling bottles for use with the CTD rosette, (11 bottles plus 4 spares (the spares can be 5-liter bottles)); the bottles shall have Teflon coated metal or silicon rubber springs and have silicon O-rings for this project for the primary production experiments,

Hydrographic winch with slip rings and 3-conductor cable terminated for the SBE19 plus for net tow operations – bongos and CalVETs,

12 KHz hull mounted EdgeTech Acoustic Release transducer,

Scientific Computer System (SCS),

For meteorological observations: two anemometers (one R.M. Young system interfaced with the SCS), calibrated air thermometers (one wet- and one dry-bulb), and a calibrated barometer and/or barograph,

Freezer space for storage of biological and chemical samples (-20° and -80°C), turned on and operating,

SIMRAD ES-60 and Ek-60 echo sounders,

Removable stern platform in place,

Laboratory space with storage,

Underway flow-through system with TSG,

Seawater hoses and nozzles to wash down nets, and supply water for primary production experiments,

Adequate deck lighting for nighttime operations,

Navigational equipment including GPS and radar,

Safety harnesses and floatation equipment for working on the side platform and fantail,

Ship's cranes used for loading and unloading and/or recovering and deploying moorings,

Work boat for deployment of the Oculus glider,

B. Equipment and Capabilities provided by the scientists (itemized)

Sea-Bird Electronics SBE 19 plus SeaCAT system,
Fluorometer, light meter (PAR), and dual oxygen sensors to be mounted on the CTD (backup),
Surface mooring Peggy, 1820 lbs., instruments and chain, ~1500 lbs, anchor, 4110 lbs.
Surface mooring ITAE, ~1000 lbs., Instruments and chain, ~1500 lbs., Anchor, 3400 lbs.
Site 2 Subsurface mooring, floats, and instruments, ~1250 lbs., Anchor, 1600 lbs.
Three (3) Marine Mammal subsurface moorings, floats, and instruments, 3 x 750, 2250 lbs., Anchors; 3 x 1000 lbs., 3000 lbs.
Oceanic profiling floats – Argos; two (2); ~100 lbs
Oculus glider and related launch and recovery equipment, ~200 lbs
Equipment for deploying moorings,
Dragging gear as needed to drag for moorings that fail to release or surface,
96 Sonobuoys, ~2600 lbs

Equipment loaded by AFSC:
20/60 cm Bongo net system and supplies,
Manual wire angle indicator,
CalVET net sampling system,
Scientific sampling supplies and storage/preservation supplies,
~2000 pounds

Equipment loaded by UAF:
~1500 pounds

Equipment loaded by PMEL, i.e. moorings, anchors, etc, will be weighed before loading on the trucks at PMEL, these weights will be delivered to the ship at the time of loading.

IV. Hazardous Materials

A. Policy and Compliance

The Chief Scientist is responsible for complying with FEC 07 Hazardous Materials and Hazardous Waste Management Requirements for Visiting Scientific Parties (or the OMAO procedure that supersedes it). By Federal regulations and NOAA Marine and Aviation Operations policy, the ship may not sail without a complete inventory of all hazardous materials by name and quantity, MSDS, appropriate spill cleanup materials (neutralizing agents, buffers, or absorbents) in amounts adequate to address spills of a size equal to the amount of chemical brought aboard, and chemical safety and spill response procedures. Documentation regarding those requirements will be provided by the Chief of Operations, Marine Operations Center, upon request.

Per OMAO procedure, the scientific party will include with their project instructions and provide to the CO of the respective ship 30 days before departure:

- List of chemicals by name with anticipated quantity
- List of spill response materials, including neutralizing agents, buffers, and absorbents
- Chemical safety and spill response procedures, such as excerpts of the program's Chemical Hygiene Plan or SOPs relevant for shipboard laboratories
- For bulk quantities of chemicals in excess of 50 gallons total or in containers larger than 10 gallons each, notify ship's Operations Officer regarding quantity, packaging and chemical to verify safe stowage is available as soon as chemical quantities are known.

Upon embarkation and prior to loading hazardous materials aboard the vessel, the scientific party will provide to the CO or their designee:

- An inventory list showing actual amount of hazardous material brought aboard
- An MSDS for each material
- Confirmation that neutralizing agents and spill equipment were brought aboard sufficient to contain and cleanup all of the hazardous material brought aboard by the program
- Confirmation that chemical safety and spill response procedures were brought aboard

Upon departure from the ship, scientific parties will provide the CO or their designee an inventory showing that all chemicals were removed from the vessel. The CO's designee will maintain a log to track scientific party hazardous materials. MSDS will be made available to the ship's complement, in compliance with Hazard Communication Laws.

Scientific parties are expected to manage and respond to spills of scientific hazardous materials. Overboard discharge of hazardous materials is not permitted aboard NOAA ships.

B. Inventory

Fish/Zooplankton sampling chemicals:

Common name /Group Responsibility	Person responsible	Concentration	Amount	Spill Response	Notes
Ethanol – FOCI	Chief Scientist	100%	4 – 1 gallon plastic jugs	Spill Response E; Gloves, 3M absorbent pads, plastic bags	Store in Chem. lab, yellow flammable locker
Ethanol – FOCI	Chief Scientist	100%	12 – 1 liter plastic bottles	Spill Response E; Gloves, 3M absorbent pads, plastic bags	Store in Chem. lab, yellow flammable locker
Ethylene Glycol – FOCI	Chief Scientist	100%	1 – 500 ml	Gloves, paper towels, plastic bags	Not a regulated chemical, store in Spill Kit
Formaldehyde – FOCI	Chief Scientist	37%	8 – 2.5 gallon barrels	Spill Control F, Gloves, eye protection, Fan-Pads, Formalex, PolyForm-F, plastic bags	Store in Fish Lab Flammable cabinets. Will need to place 4 in each cabinet.
Sodium Borate Solution – FOCI	Chief Scientist	5-6%	1 – 5-gallon carboy	Gloves, paper towels, plastic bags	Not a regulated chemical. Working container will be secured on the Fish Lab bench.
Sodium Borate Powder – FOCI	Chief Scientist	100%	1 – 500 g bottle	Gloves, wet paper towels, plastic bags	Not a regulated chemical, store in Spill Kit.

Glycerol/Thymol – MACE	Chief Scientist	50%	2 – 5 gallon buckets	Gloves, paper towels, Kitty Litter, plastic bags	Not a regulated chemical/solution; store in Fish Lab, under the sink.
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Oxygen Analysis Chemicals, property of PMEL/Eco-FOCI

Common name	Person responsible	Concentration	Amount	Spill Response	Notes
Hydrochloric Acid HCl	Chief Scientist	10%	1 liter	Spill Control A	
Manganese Chloride	Chief Scientist	3M	2x 500 ml	Gloves, paper towels, Kitty Litter, plastic bags	Not a regulated chemical
Potassium Iodate	Chief Scientist	0.00167M	2x 500 ml	Spill Control PI	Store in Acid locker in Chem. Lab
Sodium Iodate/NAOH Solution	Chief Scientist	4M NaI, 8M NAOH	2x 500 ml	Spill Control B	Store in Acid Locker in Chem. Lab
Sodium Thiosulfate	Chief Scientist	0.11M	2x 500 ml	Spill Control ST	Store in Acid Locker in Chem. Lab
Sulfuric Acid	Chief Scientist	5M	2x 500 ml	Spill Control A	Store in Acid Locker in Chem. Lab

Lithium Batteries, Property of PMEL/Eco-FOCI:

Size	Person responsible	Number	Spill Response	Notes
9V	Chief Scientist	24	N/A	In SeaBird and WETlab Instruments
AA	Chief Scientist	64	N/A	In SeaBird Instruments and MicroCATs, SAFT LS14500
D	Chief Scientist	0	N/A	In RCM9 & Peggy Mooring
DD	Chief Scientist	2 x 12 each	N/A	In Argo Floats, stored outside on after deck
Battery Packs	Chief Scientist	2 x 3 2 x 1	N/A	In Oculus Gliders, 3 packs per glider, stored in the gliders on the after deck.
BCX85D	Chief Scientist	32	N/A	In Prowler Moored Instrument packages

SONABUOYS, property of National Marine Mammal Laboratory (NMML)

CO₂ cartridges and Lithium batteries:

Common Name	Concentration	Amount	Spill Response	Notes
2 cases of Sonabuoys, 48 buoys per case	1 CO ₂ cartridge/buoy	16 gm CO ₂ /cartridge 768 gm/case 1536gm total CO ₂	NA	Contained within buoy. Stored on deck in wooden case
2 cases of Sonabuoys, 48 buoys per case	1 Lithium battery/buoy	0.3 gm Li per battery 14.4gm Li/case 28.8 gm Li total	NA	Contained within buoy. Stored on deck in wooden case

UAF Chemicals and Lithium Batteries:

Common name	Person responsible	Concentration	Amount	Spill Response	Notes
Compressed Air	Chief Scientist	Calibration gas used in the CO ₂ system on the Peggy Buoy	2 tanks, roughly the size of dive tanks	N/A	
Mercuric Chloride	Chief Scientist	Saturated Solution	250 ml	Spill Control M	
Lithium D Batteries	Chief Scientist		18	N/A	In SeaCAT Instruments for Peggy Buoy

AFSC/FOCI Spill Kit Contents:

Common Name	Amount	Use	Total Spill Volume Controllable	Notes
Formalex	1 – 5 gallons 2 – 1 gallons	Formaldehyde cleanup, (all concentrations)	1:1 control	Formalex will be used in conjunction with Fan-Pads to reduce spill volumes
Fan-Pads	2 rolls (50 sheets per roll)	Formaldehyde cleanup, (all concentrations)	50 sheets = 50 -150 ml spills	Formalex will be used in conjunction with Fan-Pads to reduce spill volumes
Poly-Form-F	1 – 5-gallon bucket	Formaldehyde cleanup, (all concentrations)	1:1 control	Pour onto large spill immediately to deactivate formaldehyde
3M Pads	10 pads	Ethanol	10 pads = 10 -250	Pads may be

		Cleanup	ml spills	reused if dried out under fume hood
Nitrile gloves	8 pairs each: S, M, L, XL	For all cleanup procedures	NA	Gloves will be restocked by each research group
Eye Protection	4 pairs goggles, 1 face shield	Formaldehyde cleanup	NA	Eye protection will be cleaned before reuses
Tyvek Lab coats	2 coats	Formaldehyde cleanup	NA	Coats will be cleaned with Fan-Pads and Formalex before reuse
Plastic bags	2	Formaldehyde cleanup, Fan-Pads	NA	Bags may be packed full and sealed
Duct Tape	1 roll	To seal plastic bags	NA	

PMEL/Eco-FOCI Acid-Base Spill Kit Contents:

Common Name	Amount	Use	Total Spill Volume Controllable	Notes
Spilfyter Acid Neutralizer	1 Box	Clean up acid spill – H ₂ SO ₄	1.5 liters of 5M Sulfuric Acid	
Spilfyter Base Neutralizer	1 Box	Clean up base spill – NAOH	2.0 liters of NAOH	
Baking Soda	1 kg	Clean up acid spill	1 liter HCl/H ₂ SO ₄	
Vinyl gloves	1 box each: M, L, XL	Protect hands during cleanup	NA	
Foxtail/Dustpan	1 each	Pick up absorbed neutralizer	NA	
Rubber apron	1 each	Protect personnel during cleanup	NA	
Paper Towels	1 roll	Absorb small	NA	

		amounts of liquids		
Goggles	2 pair	Protect eyes during cleanup	NA	
Chemical Absorbent (Kitty Litter)	1 liter	Absorb Liquids	0.5 liters	
Plastic bags	2 each	Contain used absorbents/waste	NA	

B. Chemical safety and spill response procedures

A: ACID

- Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Keep upwind. Keep out of low areas.
- Ventilate closed spaces before entering them.
- Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Dike the spilled material, where this is possible.
- **Large Spills:** Dike far ahead of spill for later disposal. Use a non-combustible material like vermiculite, sand or earth to soak up the product and place into a container for later disposal.
- **Small Spills:** Wipe up with absorbent material (e.g. cloth, fleece). Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.
- Never return spills in original containers for re-use.
- Neutralize spill area and washings with soda ash or lime. Collect in a non-combustible container for prompt disposal.

B: BASE

- Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Keep upwind. Keep out of low areas.
- Ventilate closed spaces before entering them.
- Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Dike the spilled material where this is possible.
- **Large Spills:** Dike far ahead of spill for later disposal. Use a non-combustible material like vermiculite, sand or earth to soak up the product and place into a container for later disposal.
- **Small Spills:** Wipe up with absorbent material (e.g. cloth, fleece). Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.
- Never return spills in original containers for re-use.
- Neutralize spill area and washings with dilute acid such as 10% HCl if possible. Collect in a non-combustible container for prompt disposal.

E: Ethanol

- Ventilate area of leak or spill. Remove all sources of ignition.
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Isolate hazard area. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Contain and recover liquid when possible.
- Use non-sparking tools and equipment. Collect liquid in an appropriate container or absorb with an inert material (e. g., vermiculite, dry sand, earth), and place in a chemical waste container.
- Do not use combustible materials, such as saw dust.

F: Formalin/Formaldehyde

- Ventilate area of leak or spill. Remove all sources of ignition.
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Isolate hazard area. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Contain and recover liquid when possible.
- Use non-sparking tools and equipment. Collect liquid in an appropriate container or absorb with an inert material (e. g., vermiculite, dry sand, earth), and place in a chemical waste container.
- Do not use combustible materials, such as saw dust.

M: Mercury

- Spills: Pick up and place in a suitable container for reclamation or disposal in a method that does not generate dust. Sprinkle area with sulfur or calcium polysulfide to suppress mercury. Use Mercury Spill Kit if need be.

PI: Potassium Iodate

- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Avoid contact with combustibles (wood, paper, clothing, etc.)
- Absorb with kitty litter or vermiculite.
- Do not use combustible materials, such as saw dust.
- Keep substance damp with water spray.
- Vacuum or sweep up material and place into suitable disposable container (plastic bags).

ST: Sodium Thiosulfate

- Ventilate area of leak or spill.
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Use chemical safety goggles. Maintain eye wash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work area.
- Avoid contact with combustibles (wood, paper, clothing, etc.)
- Absorb with kitty litter or vermiculite.

- Do not use combustible materials, such as saw dust.
- Recover liquid or particulate in 5-gallon bucket.

D. Radioactive Materials

No Radioactive Isotopes are planned for this project

V. Additional Projects

A. Supplementary (“Piggyback”) Projects

No Supplementary Projects are planned

B. NOAA Fleet Ancillary Projects

No NOAA Fleet Ancillary Projects are planned

VI. Disposition of Data and Reports

Disposition of data gathered aboard NOAA ships will conform to NAO 216-101 *Ocean Data Acquisitions* and NAO 212-15 *Management of Environmental Data and Information*. To guide the implementation of these NAOs, NOAA’s Environmental Data Management Committee (EDMC) provides the *NOAA Data Documentation Procedural Directive* (data documentation) and *NOAA Data Management Planning Procedural Directive* (preparation of Data Management Plans). OMAO is developing procedures and allocating resources to manage OMAO data and Programs are encouraged to do the same for their Project data.

VII. Meetings, Vessel Familiarization, and Project Evaluations

- A. Pre-Project Meeting: The Chief Scientist and Commanding Officer will conduct a meeting of pertinent members of the scientific party and ship’s crew to discuss required equipment, planned operations, concerns, and establish mitigation strategies for all concerns. This meeting shall be conducted before the beginning of the project with sufficient time to allow for preparation of the ship and project personnel. The ship’s Operations Officer usually is delegated to assist the Chief Scientist in arranging this meeting.
- B. Vessel Familiarization Meeting: The Commanding Officer is responsible for ensuring scientific personnel are familiarized with applicable sections of the standing orders and vessel protocols, e.g., meals, watches, etiquette, drills, etc. A vessel familiarization meeting shall be conducted in the first 24 hours of the project’s start and is normally presented by the ship’s Operations Officer.
- C. Post-Project Meeting: The Commanding Officer is responsible for conducting a meeting no earlier than 24 hrs. before or 7 days after the completion of a project to discuss the overall success and shortcomings of the project. Concerns regarding safety, efficiency, and suggestions for future improvements shall be

discussed and mitigations for future projects will be documented for future use. This meeting shall be attended by the ship's officers, applicable crew, the Chief Scientist, and members of the scientific party and is normally arranged by the Operations Officer and Chief Scientist.

- D. Project Evaluation Report: Within seven days of the completion of the project, a Customer Satisfaction Survey is to be completed by the Chief Scientist or Principal Investigator, as appropriate. The form is available at <https://sites.google.com/a/noaa.gov/omao-intranet-dev/operations/marine/customer-satisfaction-survey> and provides a “Submit” button at the end of the form. It is also located at https://docs.google.com/a/noaa.gov/forms/d/1a5hCCkgIwaSII4DmrHPudAehQ9HqhRqY3J_FXqbJp9g/viewform. Submitted form data is deposited into a spreadsheet used by OMAO management to analyze the information. Though the complete form is not shared with the ships, specific concerns and praises are followed up on while not divulging the identity of the evaluator.

VIII. Miscellaneous

A. Meals and Berthing

The ship will provide meals for the scientists listed above. Meals will be served 3 times daily beginning one hour before scheduled departure, extending throughout the project, and ending two hours after the termination of the project. Since the watch schedule is split between day and night, the night watch may often miss daytime meals and will require adequate food and beverages (for example a variety of sandwich items, cheeses, fruit, milk, juices) during what are not typically meal hours. Special dietary requirements for scientific participants will be made available to the ship's command at least seven days prior to the project.

Berthing requirements, including number and gender of the scientific party, will be provided to the ship by the Chief Scientist. The Chief Scientist and Commanding Officer will work together on a detailed berthing plan to accommodate the gender mix of the scientific party taking into consideration the current makeup of the ship's complement. The Chief Scientist is responsible for ensuring the scientific berthing spaces are left in the condition in which they were received; for stripping bedding and linen return; and for the return of any room keys which were issued. Unless prior arrangements are made, the science party may move aboard the night before scheduled departure and must move off the ship the day after scheduled arrival (at the end of project). The Chief Scientist/Principal Investigator is also responsible for the cleanliness of the laboratory spaces and the storage areas utilized by the scientific party, both during the project and at its conclusion prior to departing the ship.

All NOAA scientists will have proper travel orders when assigned to any NOAA ship. The Chief Scientist will ensure that all non-NOAA or non-Federal scientists aboard also have proper orders. It is the responsibility of the Chief Scientist or Principal Investigator to ensure that the entire scientific party has a mechanism in place to provide lodging and food and to be reimbursed for these costs in the event that the ship becomes uninhabitable and/or the galley is closed during any part of the scheduled project.

All persons boarding NOAA vessels give implied consent to comply with all safety and security policies and regulations which are administered by the Commanding Officer. All spaces and equipment on the vessel are subject to inspection or search at any time. All personnel must comply with OMAO's Drug and Alcohol Policy dated May 17, 2000 which forbids the possession and/or use of illegal drugs and alcohol aboard NOAA Vessels.

B. Medical Forms and Emergency Contacts

The NOAA Health Services Questionnaire (NHSQ, NF 57-10-01 (3-14)) must be completed in advance by each participating scientist. The NHSQ can be obtained from the Chief Scientist or the NOAA website

<http://www.corporateservices.noaa.gov/noaforms/eforms/nf57-10-01.pdf>.

NHSQs must be submitted every 2 years for individuals under the age of 50 and every 1 year for ages 50 and above. NHSQs must be accompanied by NOAA Form (NF) 57-10-02 - Tuberculosis Screening Document in compliance with OMAO Policy 1008 (Tuberculosis Protection Program, which requires a yearly PPD or TB exam).

The completed forms should be sent to the Marine Health Services at the applicable Marine Operations Center. The NHSQ and Tuberculosis Screening Document should reach the Health Services Office no later than 4 weeks prior to the start of the project to allow time for the participant to obtain and submit additional information should health services require it, before clearance to sail can be granted. Please contact MOC Health Services with any questions regarding eligibility or completion of either form. Ensure to fully complete each form and indicate the ship or ships the participant will be sailing on. The participant will receive an email notice when medically cleared to sail if a legible email address is provided on the NHSQ.

The participant can mail, fax, or email the forms to the contact information below. Participants should take precautions to protect their Personally Identifiable Information (PII) and medical information and ensure all correspondence adheres to DOC guidance (http://ocio.os.doc.gov/ITPolicyandPrograms/IT_Privacy/PROD01_008240).

The only secure submission process approved by NOAA is Accellion Secure File Transfer which requires the sender to set up an account using a valid NOAA email address and password. Accellion's Web Users Guide is a valuable aid in using this service. As a cost-reduction measure under the DOC contract with Accellion, user

accounts expire after 30 days of inactivity. Simply re-register to send and receive files. Persons without a NOAA email account must fax or mail their forms.

Contact information:

Marine Health Services
Marine Operations Center – Pacific
2002 SE Marine Science Dr.
Newport, OR 97365
Telephone 541-867-8822
Fax 541-867-8856
Email MOP.Health-Services@noaa.gov

Prior to departure, the Chief Scientist must provide an electronic listing of emergency contacts to the Executive Officer for all members of the scientific party, with the following information: contact name, address, relationship to member, and telephone number.

C. Shipboard Safety

Hard hats are required when working with suspended loads. Work vests are required when working near open railings and during small boat launch and recovery operations. Hard hats and work vests will be provided by the ship when required.

Wearing open-toed footwear or shoes that do not completely enclose the foot (such as sandals or clogs) outside of private berthing areas is not permitted. At the discretion of the ship CO, safety shoes (i.e. steel or composite toe protection) may be required to participate in any work dealing with suspended loads, including CTD deployment and recovery. The ship does not provide safety-toed shoes/boots.

The ship's Operations Officer should be consulted by the Chief Scientist to ensure members of the scientific party report aboard with the proper attire.

D. Communications

A progress report on operations prepared by the Chief Scientist may be relayed to the program office. Sometimes it is necessary for the Chief Scientist to communicate with another vessel, aircraft, or shore facility. Through various means of communications, the ship can usually accommodate the Chief Scientist. Special radio voice communications requirements should be listed in the project instructions. The ship's primary means of communication with the Marine Operations Center is via email and the Very Small Aperture Terminal (VSAT) link. Standard VSAT bandwidth has increased, on average per ship, to 768 kbs and is shared by all vessel's staff and the science team at no charge to sailing personnel. Increased bandwidth in 7 day increments is available on the VSAT systems at increased cost to the scientific party. If increased bandwidth is being considered, program accounting is required and it must be arranged through the ship's Commanding Officer at least 30 days in advance.

Any computer that will be hooked into the ship's network must comply with the *OMAO Fleet IT Security Policy* 1.1 (November 4, 2005) prior to establishing a direct connection to the NOAA WAN. Requirements include, but are not limited to:

- (1) Installation of the latest virus definition (.DAT) file on all systems and performance of a virus scan on each system.
- (2) Installation of the latest critical operating system security patches.
- (3) No external public Internet Service Provider (ISP) connections.

Completion of the above requirements prior to boarding the ship is required.

Computer Operating Systems that the support vendor has identified as reaching “End of Life” for support will not be allowed on the shipboard network. Examples include Microsoft Windows XP and Vista as well as Windows Server 2003.

Non-NOAA personnel using the ship's computers or connecting their own computers to the ship's network must complete NOAA's IT Security Awareness Course within 3 days of embarking.

F. Foreign National Guests Access to OMAO Facilities and Platforms

Foreign National access to the NOAA ship or Federal Facilities is not required for this project.

G. Incidental Take

Summary of mitigation measures for compliance of MMPA and NEPA

These mitigation measures shall include but are not limited to:

- AFSC shall take all necessary measures to coordinate and communicate in advance of each specific survey with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) Office of Marine and Aviation Operations (OMAO) or other relevant parties on non-NOAA platforms to ensure that all mitigation measures and monitoring requirements described herein, as well as the specific manner of implementation and relevant event-contingent decision-making processes, are clearly understood and agreed upon.
- AFSC shall coordinate and conduct briefings at the outset of each survey and as necessary between ship's crew (Commanding Officer/master or designee(s), as appropriate) and scientific party in order to explain responsibilities, communication procedures, marine mammal monitoring protocol, and operational procedures.
- AFSC shall coordinate as necessary on a daily basis during survey cruises with OMAO personnel or other relevant personnel on non-NOAA platforms to ensure that requirements, procedures, and decision-making processes are understood and properly implemented.
- When deploying any type of sampling gear at sea, AFSC shall at all times monitor

for any unusual circumstances that may arise at a sampling site and use best professional judgment to avoid any potential risks to marine mammals during use of all research equipment. AFSC shall convey this requirement to IPHC.

- AFSC shall implement handling and/or disentanglement protocols as specified in the guidance that shall be provided to AFSC survey personnel.
- AFSC shall adhere to a final Communication Plan. In summary and in accordance with the Plan, AFSC shall: (i) notify and provide potentially affected Alaska Native subsistence communities with the Communication Plan through a series of mailings, direct contacts, and planned meetings throughout the regions where AFSC fisheries research is expected to occur;
 - meet with potentially affected subsistence communities to discuss planned activities and to resolve potential conflicts regarding any aspects of either the fisheries research operations or the Communication Plan;
 - develop field operations plans as necessary, which shall address how researchers will consult and maintain communication with contacts in the potentially affected subsistence communities when in the field, including a list of local contacts and contact mechanisms, and which shall describe operational procedures and actions planned to avoid or minimize the risk of interactions between AFSC fisheries research and local subsistence activities;
 - schedule post-season informational sessions with subsistence contacts from the study areas to brief them on the outcome of the AFSC fisheries research and to assess performance of the Communication Plan and individual field operations or cruise plans in working to minimize effects to subsistence activities

Trawl survey protocols:

- AFSC shall conduct trawl operations as soon as is practicable upon arrival at the sampling station.
- AFSC shall initiate marine mammal watches (visual observation) at least 15 minutes prior to beginning of net deployment, but shall also conduct monitoring during any pre-set activities including trackline reconnaissance, CTD casts, and plankton or bongo net hauls. Marine mammal watches shall be conducted by scanning the surrounding waters with the naked eye and range-finding binoculars (or monocular). During nighttime operations, visual observation shall be conducted using the naked eye and available vessel lighting.
- AFSC shall implement the move-on rule mitigation protocol, as described in this paragraph. If one or more marine mammals are observed and are considered at risk of interacting with the vessel or research gear, or appear to be approaching the vessel and are considered at risk of interaction, AFSC shall either remain onsite or move on to another sampling location. If remaining onsite, the set shall be delayed. If the animals depart or appear to no longer be at risk of interacting with the vessel or gear, a further observation period shall be conducted. If no further observations are made or the animals still do not appear to be at risk of interaction, then the set may be made. If the vessel is moved to a different section

of the sampling area, the move-on rule mitigation protocol would begin anew. If, after moving on, marine mammals remain at risk of interaction, the AFSC shall move again or skip the station. Marine mammals that are sighted shall be monitored to determine their position and movement in relation to the vessel to determine whether the move-on rule mitigation protocol should be implemented. AFSC may use best professional judgment in making these decisions.

- AFSC shall maintain visual monitoring effort during the entire period of time that trawl gear is in the water (i.e., throughout gear deployment, fishing, and retrieval). If marine mammals are sighted before the gear is fully removed from the water, AFSC shall take the most appropriate action to avoid marine mammal interaction. AFSC may use best professional judgment in making this decision.
- If trawling operations have been suspended because of the presence of marine mammals, AFSC may resume trawl operations when practicable only when the animals are believed to have departed the area. AFSC may use best professional judgment in making this determination.
- AFSC shall implement standard survey protocols to minimize potential for marine mammal interactions, including maximum tow durations at target depth and maximum tow distance, and shall carefully empty the trawl as quickly as possible upon retrieval.

IX. Appendices

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Appendix I: Station List

Note: the locations for the CalVETs and CTD/BON at the locations of the moorings are the actual locations of the moorings; CalVETs and CTDs should be approximately 0.25 nm from the location of the moorings, Bongos adjusted accordingly.

CTD casts will be to 5 meters from the bottom or 1500 meters max.

	Sta. Name	Activity	Water Depth (m)	Lat.dd	Lon.dd
Kodiak	Kodiak	DEPART		57.784	152.426
Chiniak Bay					
	19CB-1A	CTD	190	57.722	152.290
	18CB-1A	Recover subsurface mooring	190	57.722	152.290
	19CB-1A	Deploy subsurface mooring	190	57.722	152.290
	19CB-1A	CTD	190	57.722	152.290
Unimak Marine Mammal Mooring					
	AL18_AU_BS 4	Recover subsurface mooring	166	54.428	165.269

	AL19_AU_BS 4	Deploy subsurface mooring	166	54.428	165.269
Unimak Box					
	UBS1	CTD/BON	42	54.441	164.985
	UBS2	CTD/BON	110	54.419	165.141
	UBS3	CTD	203	54.375	165.277
	UBS4	CTD/BON	91	54.342	165.429
	UBW1	CTD/BON	91	54.358	165.929
	UBW2	CTD/BON	511	54.472	166.039
	UBW3	CTD	402	54.583	166.129
	UBW4	CTD/BON	329	54.688	166.237
	UBN1	CTD/BON	183	54.751	166.051
	UBN2	CTD/BON	168	54.813	165.858
	UBN3	CTD	153	54.868	165.671
	UBN4	CTD/BON	139	54.930	165.480
	UBN5	CTD	124	54.987	165.287
	UBN6	CTD/BON	110	55.049	165.107
	UBE1	CTD/BON	88	54.937	164.996
	UBE2	CTD	67	54.827	164.894
	UBE3	CTD/BON	46	54.716	164.784
BS Site 2					
	19BS-2	CTD	70	56.87	164.05
	18BS-2C	Recover subsurface mooring	70	56.868	164.055

	18BSP-2B	Recover subsurface mooring	70	56.878	164.054
	19BSM-2A	Deploy surface mooring	70	56.8	164.0
	19BS- ITAEPR-2A	Deploy surface mooring	70	56.8	164.0
	19BSP-2A	Deploy subsurface mooring	70	56.8	164.0
Mooring Site 2 Sampling					
	70M2/M2C	3 CalVETs	72	56.87	164.055
	70M2/M2C	CTD/BON	72	56.87	164.055
	M2N	CTD/BON	69	57.017	164.217
	M2E	CTD/BON	69	56.942	163.834
	M2S	CTD/BON	72	56.667	163.867
	M2W	CTD/BON	75	56.767	164.333
Marine Mammal Mooring					
	AL17_AU_BS 3	Drag for lost mooring	70	57.671	164.717
	AL18_AU_BS 3	Recover mooring	70	57.672	164.719
	AL19_AU_BS 3	Deploy subsurface mooring	70	57.672	164.719
70 m isobath					

	70M3	CTD	73	56.808	164.583
	70M4	CTD/BON	72	56.909	164.828
	70M5	CTD	73	56.859	165.123
	70M6	CTD/BON	72	56.994	165.378
	70M7	CTD	70	57.107	165.613
	70M8	CTD/BON	70	57.262	165.747
	70M9	CTD	70	57.321	166.011
	70M10	CTD/BON	70	57.322	166.326
	70M11	CTD	70	57.438	166.513
	70M12	CTD/BON	70	57.429	166.812
	70M13	CTD	70	57.522	167.038
	70M14	CTD/BON	71	57.499	167.344
	70M15	CTD	72	57.501	167.665
	70M16	CTD/BON	71	57.501	167.986
	70M17	CTD	79	57.520	168.304
	70M18	CTD/BON	78	57.524	168.614
Mooring Site 4 Sampling					
	70M19-M4S	CTD/BON	75	57.600	168.700
	M4E	CTD/BON	74	57.767	168.667
	18BS-4B	Mooring	72	57.869	168.893
	18BSP-4A	Mooring	72	57.866	168.884
	70M21/M4C	3 CalVETs	73	57.87	168.89
	70M21/M4C	CTD/BON	73	57.87	168.89
	70M22/M4W	CTD/BON	71	57.767	169.200
	M4N	CTD/BON	71	57.917	169.000
	70M23	CTD	70	57.907	169.500

	70M24	CTD/BON	69	58.042	169.673
	70M25	CTD	71	58.147	169.918
	70M26	CTD/BON	72	58.282	170.095
	70M27	CTD	73	58.446	170.186
	70M28	CTD/BON	72	58.617	170.276
	70M29	CTD	71	58.774	170.294
	70M30	CTD/BON	72	58.948	170.327
	70M31	CTD	69	59.107	170.247
	70M32	CTD/BON	68	59.247	170.412
	70M33	CTD	70	59.335	170.656
	70M34	CTD/BON	81	59.436	170.906
	70M35	CTD	80	59.595	170.923
	70M36	CTD/BON	79	59.716	171.140
	70M37	CTD/BON	78	59.777	171.450
Mooring Site 5 Sampling					
	18BS-5A	Mooring	71	59.904	171.702
	18BSP-5A	Mooring	71	59.900	171.707
	M5E	CTD/BON	81	59.898	171.258
	M5S	CTD/BON	80	59.700	171.500
	70M38/M5	3 CalVETs	79	59.91	171.73
	70M38/M5	CTD/BON	79	59.91	171.73
	M5N	CTD/BON	77	60.075	172.000
	70M39/M5W	CTD/BON	76	59.898	172.167
	70M40	CTD/BON	74	59.912	172.435
	70M41	CTD	68	59.978	172.746
	70M42	CTD/BON	70	60.037	173.007

	70M43	CTD	70	60.101	173.317
	70M44	CTD/BON	70	60.252	173.522
	70M45	CTD	60	60.425	173.592
	70M46	CTD/BON	68	60.572	173.640
	70M47	CTD	72	60.739	173.648
	70M48	CTD/BON	83	60.907	173.825
	70M49	CTD	79	61.066	173.829
	70M50	CTD/BON	75	61.250	173.741
	70M51	CTD	75	61.411	173.736
	70M52	CTD/BON	72	61.560	173.712
	70M53	CTD	71	61.727	173.855
	70M54	CTD/BON	71	61.862	174.094
	70M55	CTD	73	61.943	174.364
	70M56	CTD/BON	74	62.027	174.659
Mooring Site 8 Sampling					
	18BS-8A	Mooring	73	62.199	174.686
	18BSP-8A	Mooring	73	62.195	174.684
	M8S	CTD/BON	70	61.975	174.617
	M8C	CTD/BON	70	62.195	174.666
	M8C	3 CalVETs	70	62.195	174.666
	M8N	CTD/BON	80	62.422	174.700
	M8W	CTD/BON	80	62.200	175.200
	M8E	CTD/BON	70	62.200	174.300
L-Line					

	LL3	CTD	507	55.372	168.187
	LL4	CTD	1042	55.262	168.255
	LL5	CTD	1522	55.115	168.483
	LL6	CTD	1581	54.837	168.745
	LL7	CTD	1530	54.667	169.203
	DL7/LL8	CTD	1521	54.332	169.822
	DL6/LL9	CTD	1523	54.037	169.560
	DL5/LL10	CTD	1521	53.783	169.267
	DL4/LL11	CTD	1525	53.603	169.062
	DL3/LL12	CTD	1524	53.520	168.903
	DL2/LL13	CTD	998	53.410	168.835
	DL1/LL15	CTD	150	53.368	168.692
Argo Floats					
	A1	Deploy Float	2366	55.047	168.913
	A2	Deploy Float	2895	54.668	169.506
Marine Mammal Mooring					
	AL17_AU_BS 6	Recover subsurface mooring	94	53.634	167.404
	AL19_AU_BS 6	Deploy subsurface mooring	94	53.634	167.404

Bering Canyon Transects					
	UT5	CTD	100	53.978	166.976
	UT4	CTD	1300	54.085	167.067
	UT3	CTD	1700	54.175	167.150
	UT2	CTD	1100	54.322	167.267
	UT1	CTD	650	54.452	167.380
	AW5	CTD	550	54.458	166.938
	AW4	CTD	750	54.320	166.818
	AW3	CTD	1350	54.205	166.710
	AW2	CTD	900	54.140	166.652
	AW1	CTD	100	54.072	166.620
	AE1	CTD	90	54.168	166.233
	AE2	CTD	700	54.233	166.263
	AE3	CTD	900	54.305	166.350
	AE4	CTD	550	54.437	166.480
	AE5	CTD	450	54.562	166.593
	UBW4	CTD	300	54.688	166.237
	UBW3	CTD	400	54.583	166.129
	UBW2	CTD	500	54.472	166.039
	UBW1	CTD	460	54.358	165.929
	UBW0	CTD	110	54.310	165.883
	Dutch Harbor	ARRIVE!	650	53.900	166.545

CTD Niskin trip depths:

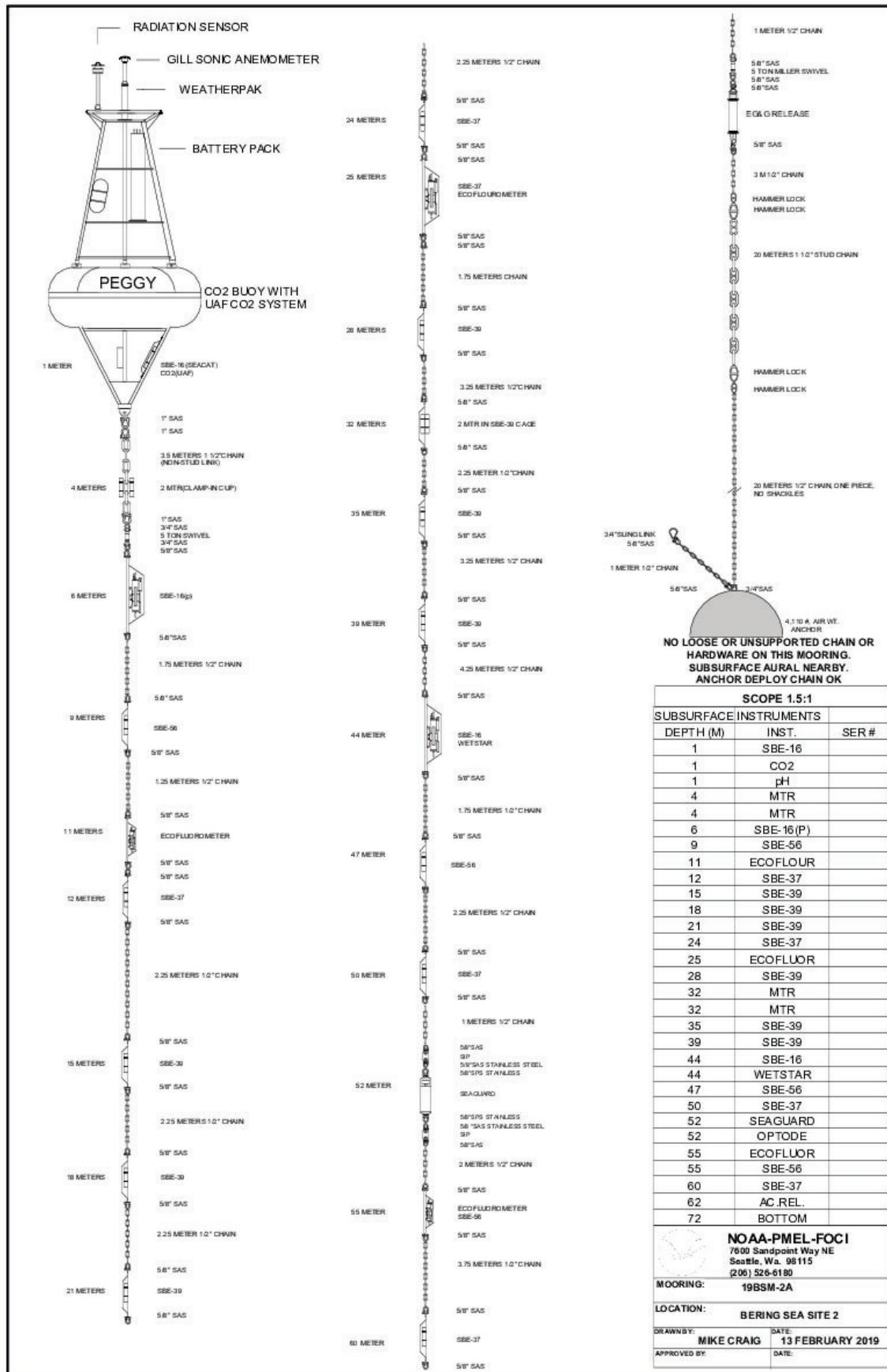
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30	30	30	30	30	30
40	40	40	40	40	40
50	50	50	50	50	50
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		150	200	500	1000
		Bottom	Bottom	Bottom	Bottom

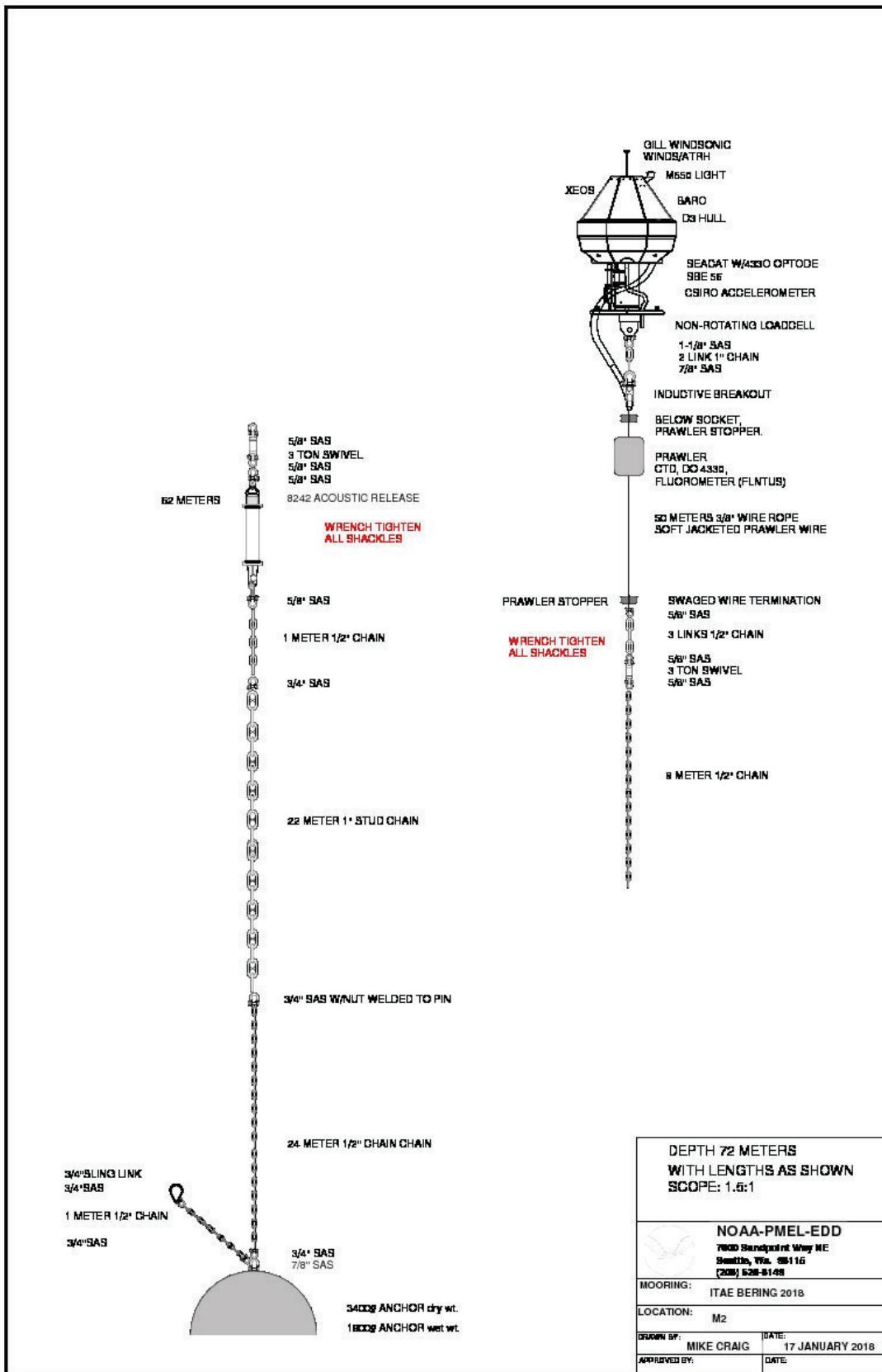
Conduct all CTDs to within 5 meters of the bottom, or 1500 meters if depth is greater than 1500 meters. If sea conditions are rough, the maximum depth may be adjusted to only go to 10 meters above the bottom.

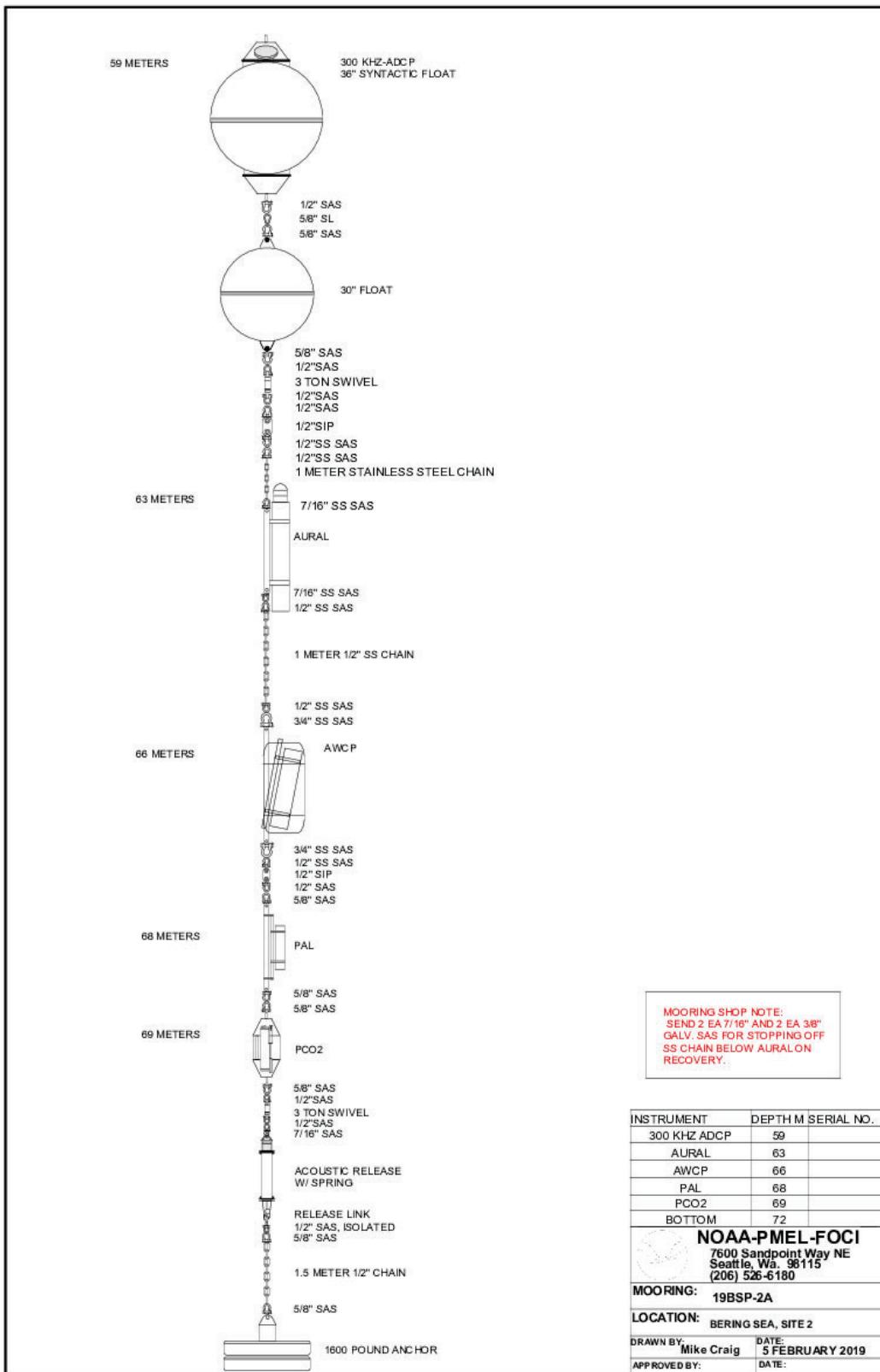
Winch speeds should be 30 meters/minute on the down cast and up cast when less than 200 meters. At depths below 200 meters the winch speed may be increased to a higher rate, usually what the ship deems a safe operating speed. When operating at higher speeds, it is prudent to have the winch operator slow the speed of the winch to 30 meters/minute about 50 meters before the required stop depth. This should be done on both the down cast when approaching maximum depth, and on the up cast when approaching Niskin trip depth.

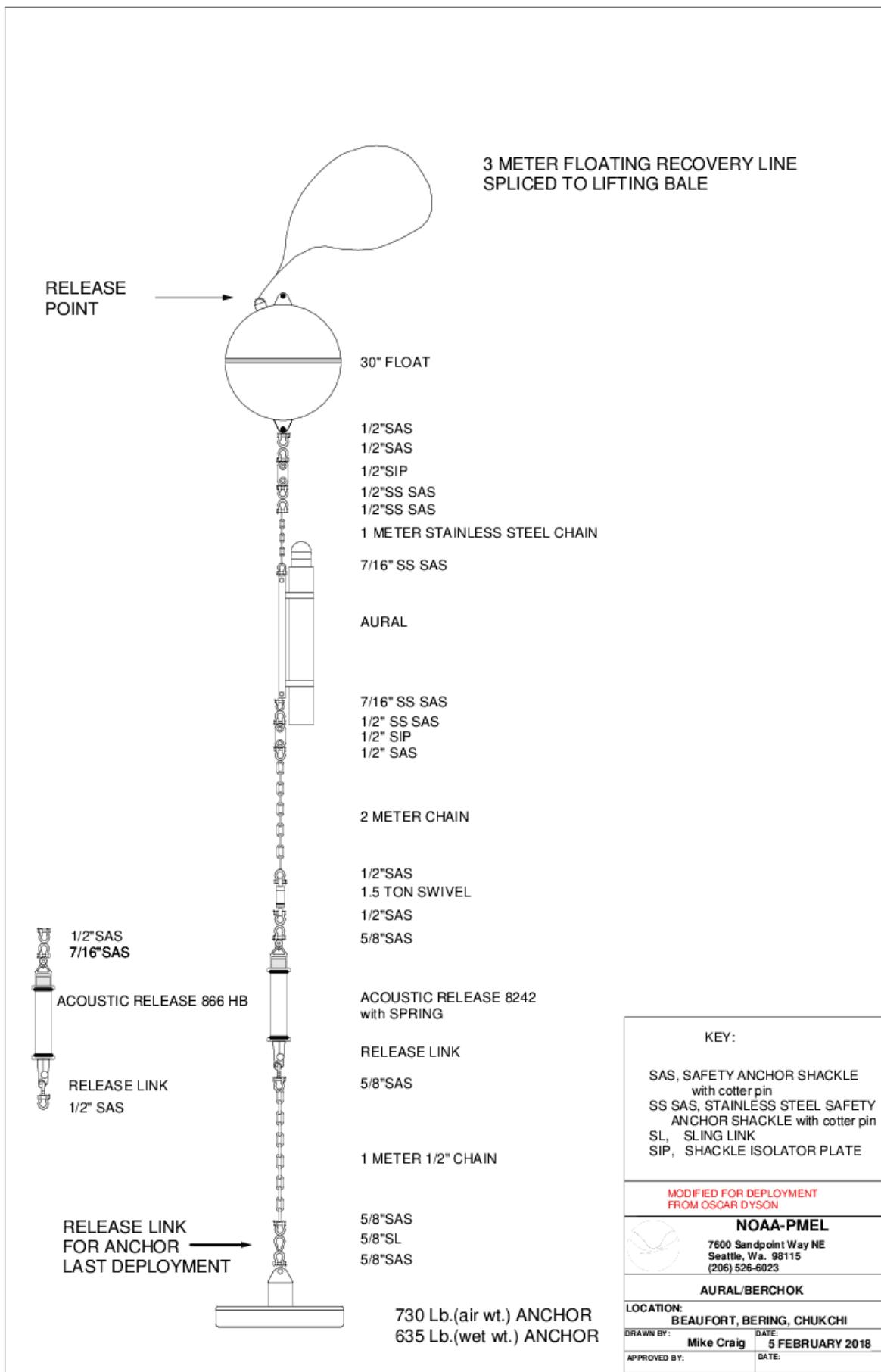
Appendix II: Mooring Diagrams

NOTE: These diagrams are from the previous year's deployments and are offered as a reference until the diagrams for the 2019 deployments are available.

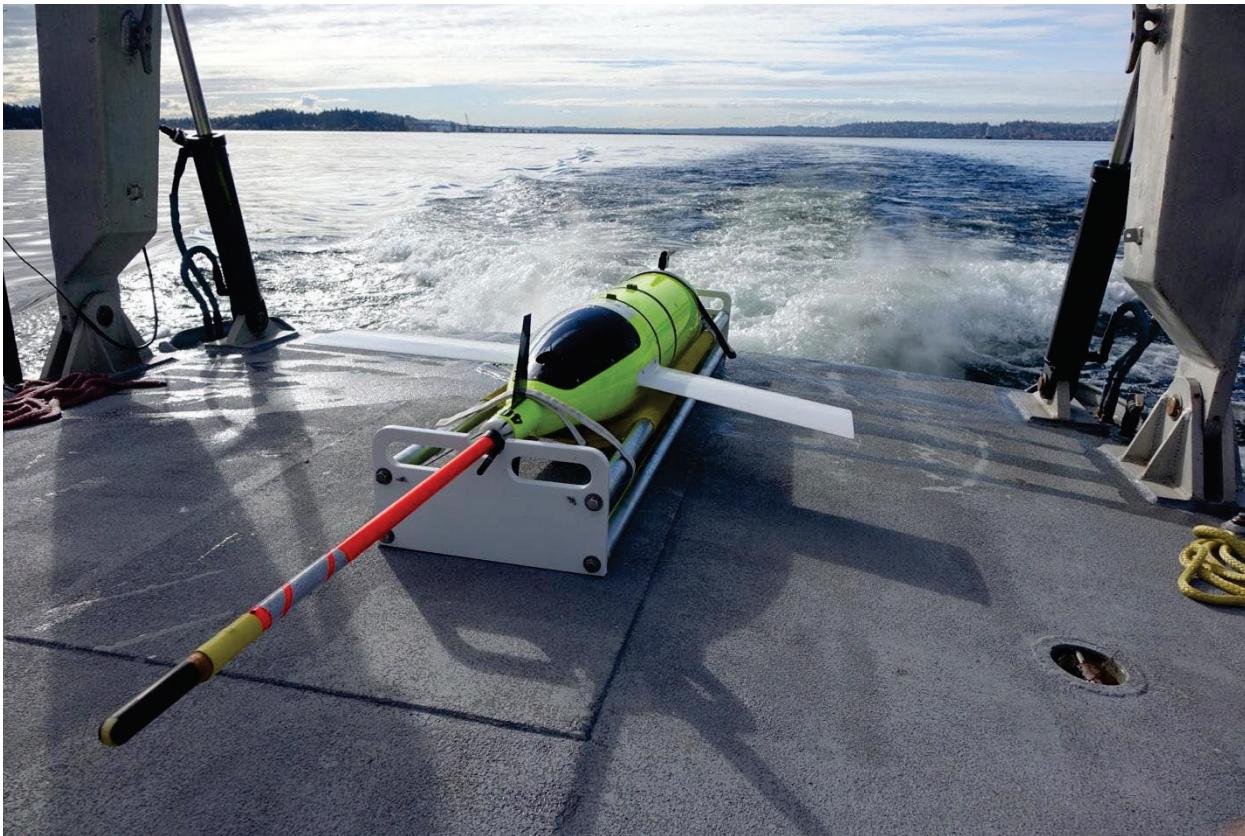








Appendix III: Oculus Coastal Glider



The Oculus Coastal Glider in its cradle

The Oculus coastal glider is an autonomous underwater vehicle (AUV) catered to the shallow depths of the Arctic. By using a rapid buoyancy system this glider can change buoyancy states 20 times faster and achieve speeds 3 times faster than legacy gliders - allowing for a more efficient and adaptive Arctic survey, but transferable to a variety of markets.

The vehicle moves through the water in a saw-tooth like pattern and surfaces often to determine its position. Navigation is accomplished using a combination of GPS fixes while on the surface and internal sensors that monitor the vehicle heading, depth and attitude during dives. External sensors are constantly scanning the ocean to determine environmental properties.

Technical Specifications:

Weight and Dimensions

- Length: 2.1 meters
- Diameter: 11.675 inches
- Weight: 70 kg

Shipping and Storage

- 2-4 boxes of 92x24x24
- Weight: ~200 lbs

Battery

- 1 - 4.4 MJ
- 2 - 'science batteries' at 3.9 MJ each
- 1 - main 24-volt battery at 12.2 MJ

Deployment:

The Oculus coastal glider will be deployed similarly to legacy gliders. Small boat operations are the preferred method by which to do this, not only for vehicle but personnel safety. Each glider will be packaged in a stretcher/cradle for ease of deployment, mobility to and from deployment/recovery point, and safety. Though not preferred, the Oculus glider, like legacy gliders, can be deployed and recovered from the R/V using standard lifting procedures and an additional 'lasso' to ensure safety of the glider and crew. The lifting point is under two black 'wings' in the tail section. Please see photos below as an example from a test mission in Lake Washington.



Appendix IV: Argo Floats



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Navis Autonomous Profiling Float

The Navis float has a traditional layout, with the sensor head at the top, and the buoyancy bladders at the bottom. The Navis buoyancy engine uses a positive displacement piston pump to transfer silicon oil from internal to external reservoirs to increase the float volume and cause it to rise. This system provides improved energy efficiency, better parking stability, and increased depth range over existing floats.

The Navis buoyancy engine is augmented at the sea surface by inflation of an air reservoir. This surface-following function provides excess buoyancy to improve surface communications. The open-loop air buoyancy system uses a seamless, natural-rubber, external bladder and oil-augmented bladder crush prevention.

At the surface, Navis uses a Garmin 15xL-W GPS to acquire positional information. It then transmits the acquired data via an Iridium Transceiver 9523. The Iridium antenna is mounted on the CTD end cap, and is supported by the CTD cell guard.

The Navis aluminum hull has a smaller diameter and length than existing floats, providing a lightweight and cost-effective package that requires less energy to operate. The float is powered by twelve lithium DD batteries in a Sea-Bird battery pack. The battery pack provides sufficient power for 300 CTD profile cycles to 2000 dbars.

Features

- Sufficient power for 300 CTD profile cycles to 2000 dbars.
- SBE 41CP CTD; Argo standard
 - Pump-controlled, T-C ducted flow minimizes salinity spiking
 - Anti-foulant devices provide effective bio-fouling protection
- Iridium continuous circuit switched, 2-way communications for low-cost download of large amounts of data
- Self-ballasting, 1 day to equilibrate; ballasting and setup done at Sea-Bird prior to shipment
- Easy-to-use interface for mission programming, and for reprogramming while deployed
- Firmware based on field-proven Argo firmware
- Lightweight and easy to deploy (< 18.5 kg)
- Expandable and scalable design for future missions, such as biogeochemical floats, deep floats
- Warranty — 100 profiles at 100% of purchase price, pro-rated thereafter



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CTD Operation

The SBE 41CP CTD measures temperature, conductivity, and pressure continuously at 1 Hz through ascent and provides high accuracy, resolution, and stability. The pump-controlled, T-C ducted flow configuration minimizes salinity spiking caused by mismatch of temperature and conductivity measurements. The carefully engineered anti-foul protection includes anti-foulant devices, a U-shaped flow path, and an integral pump. On the float's ascent, as it approaches 10 to 5 dbars beneath the ocean surface, the pump turns off. The U-shaped flow path prevents sea surface oils and contaminants from being ingested while proceeding through the ocean surface skin and sitting at the surface during data transmittal. Between profiles, the pump is off. The U-shaped flow path prevents water flow through the system caused by waves or currents; minute amounts of anti-foulant concentrate inside the conductivity cell to minimize bio-fouling.

Science Data (SBE 41CP CTD)

Temperature	Initial accuracy \pm 0.002 °C; Stability 0.0002 °C/year
Salinity	Initial accuracy \pm 0.002 PSS-78; Stability 0.001 PSS-78/year
Pressure	Initial accuracy \pm 2 decibars; Stability 0.8 decibars/year



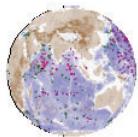
Float Operation

Depth Rating	2000 decibars
Communications	Iridium Transceiver 9523 — RUDICS, circuit switched
Position	GPS, Garmin 15xL-W
Park Interval	1 - 15 days
Materials	Aluminum hull, seamless natural-rubber external bladders
Ballasting	Self-ballasting, 1 day to equilibrate
Weight in air	Less than 18.5 kg
Self-Activation	Starts operating automatically on deployment, when pressure reaches user-programmable setpoint
Internal batteries	4 packs of 3 DD lithium sulfuryl chloride cells (cannot ship in passenger aircraft; Class 9 Dangerous Goods).
Power Endurance	10 years or 300 2000-dbar cycles
Memory	CTD stores one 2000-dbar CTD profile; Navis stores 64 2000-dbar CTD profiles
Dimensions	Hull diameter 14 cm, Ring diameter 24 cm, Total length 159 cm

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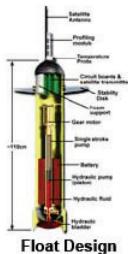
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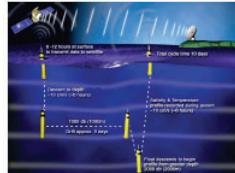
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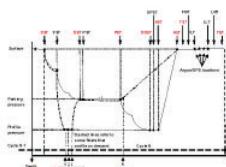
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Float Design



Park & Profile Mission Operation



Argo Cycle Timing Variables

Argo Floats

Argo is an international collaboration that collects high-quality temperature and salinity profiles from the upper 2000m of the ice-free global ocean and currents from intermediate depths. The data come from battery-powered autonomous floats that spend most of their life drifting at depth where they are stabilised by being neutrally buoyant at the "parking depth" pressure by having a density equal to the ambient pressure and a compressibility that is less than that of sea water. At present there are several models of profiling float used in Argo. All work in a similar fashion but differ somewhat in their design characteristics. At typically 10-day intervals, the floats pump fluid into an external bladder and rise to the surface over about 6 hours while measuring temperature and salinity. Satellites or GPS determine the position of the floats when they surface, and the floats transmit their data to the satellites. The bladder then deflates and the float returns to its original density and sinks to drift until the cycle is repeated. Floats are designed to make about 150 such cycles.

Argo Mission

The standard Argo mission is a park and profile mission where the float descends to a target depth of 1000m to drift and then descends again to 2000m to start the temperature and salinity profile. In 2015, 80% of floats profile to depths greater than 1500m. Another 12% profile to between 1000 and 1500m.

Argo Cycle Timing Variables

Each Argo float cycle is composed of programmed events. Depending on float type, some of these events can be dated and sent back by the float to aid in the calculation of velocities. The Argo Program has highlighted several cycle timing variables that it would prefer that floats send back timing information. This cycle timing document explains the variables and how they fit into the trajectory file.

Argo Float Models

The Argo array is currently comprised of several float models:

- the PROVOR and the new generation PROVOR, the **ARVOR** built by NKE-INSTRUMENTATION in France in close collaboration with IFREMER
- the APEX float produced by Teledyne Webb Research
- the SOLO and the new generation SOLO, the **SOLO-II** float designed and built by Scripps Institution of Oceanography
- the S2A float is produced by MRV Systems in the USA who bought the rights to the SOLO-II and manufactures it under the rebranded name of the S2A float
- the NAVIS built by Sea-Bird in the USA

The **SBE** temperature/salinity sensor suites is now used almost exclusively. In the beginning, the **FSI** sensor was also used. The temperature data are accurate to a few millidegrees over the float lifetime. For discussion of salinity data accuracy please see the Data FAQ.

Argo Data Transmission

As the float ascends, a series of about 200 pressure, temperature, salinity measurements are made and stored on board the float. These are transmitted to satellites when the float reaches the surface. For floats using high speed communications with more bandwidth capabilities, measurements are taken more frequently, often up to every 2db, resulting in several hundred measurements per profile.

For 60% of floats in the Argo array the data are transmitted from the ocean surface via the **Système Argos** location and data transmission system. The data transmission rates are such that to guarantee error free data reception and location in all weather conditions the float must spend between 6 and 12 hrs at the surface. Positions are accurate to ~100m depending on the number of satellites within range and the geometry of their distribution.

An alternative system to Argos using positions from the Global Positioning System (GPS) and data communication using the **Iridium** satellites now comprises 40% of the Argo array. Iridium is becoming a more attractive option as it allows more detailed profiles to be transmitted with a shorter period at the surface and two-way communication with the float. In 2014, 55% of floats were deployed with Iridium antennas and 45% with Argos antennas.

An Argo float weighs 42 pounds in air; 110 pounds on deck in its wooden shipping crate. Launching is relatively straight forward with two persons handling a line fed through a hole in the collar of the float. Once the ship has come to about 1-2 knots the float is lowered over the side and the line retrieved. Position of the release is marked on the ships SCS system, usually via a button on the CTD computer. The float will self-actuate when it reaches its programmed depth.

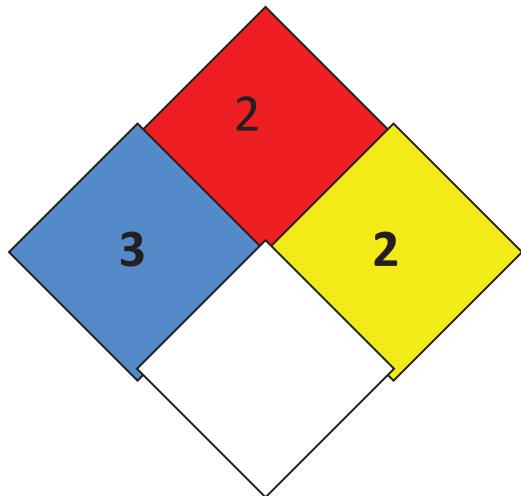
Appendix V – Chemical Hygiene Plan

Previous sections of the Project Instructions include a list of hazardous materials by name and anticipated quantity. Chemicals will be transported, stored and used in a manner that will avoid any spills and adequate containment, absorbents and cleanup materials will be available in the event of a chemical spill.

The scientific chemicals to be used for this project are: (1) ethyl alcohol (100%) and (2) formaldehyde (37%) and reagent chemicals for the preservation and analysis of oxygen samples. Other chemicals brought aboard are consumer products in consumer quantities. Dilutions of the scientific chemicals will be used to preserve *in faunal* organisms collected with towed zooplankton nets (bongos and CalVETs) as described in the Operations section of these Project Instructions and for the pickling and analysis of oxygen samples for calibration of the oxygen sensors on the CTD. Use of these chemicals and the specified dilutions will only occur in exterior locations on the ship away from air intakes. Scientific chemicals shall not be disposed over the side.

Standard Operating Procedures and Information Sheets are provided here for the scientific chemicals. Included are details concerning personal protective equipment, work area precautions, special handling and storage requirements, spill and accident procedures/first aid, waste disposal and other pertinent information. Both small and large spills are of particular concern; in both cases, the spill response is intended to first contain the spill and then neutralize it. This may be easily accomplished for small spills depending on the degree of vessel motion and the prevailing environmental conditions. In all cases, the first responder should quickly evaluate the risks of personal exposure versus the potential impacts of a delayed response to the spill and act accordingly. For example, if the spill is small and it is safe to do so, a neutralizing agent should be rapidly applied to encircle/contain the spill and then cover it. However, a large formaldehyde spill ($> 1 \text{ L}$) is extremely hazardous and individuals at risk of exposure should immediately leave the area. The CO or OOD should be notified immediately so that a response team with self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) can be deployed to complete the cleanup operation or dispense the hazard with a fire hose directed overboard. The vessel's course should be adjusted to minimize exposure of personnel to wind-driven vapors and to limit spread of the spill due to vessel motion. The reportable quantity (RQ) of formaldehyde is 1,000 pounds and the RQ for ethyl alcohol is 5,000 pounds which greatly exceed the quantities brought aboard for this project.

Standard Operating Procedures – Formaldehyde At-Sea



Chemical Name: 37% Formaldehyde

UN Number: 1198

Hazard Ratings: (on a scale of 0 to 4)

Health (blue): 3 Flammability (red): 2

Reactivity (yellow): 2 Special (white):

Personal Protection Gear Needed

*gloves

*goggles or face shield

Special Handling Instructions

* If a ventilation hood is not available, then pouring of chemical must be done outside. At least two people should be involved with large chemical transfers in case of an emergency.

* Chemical must be stored at temperatures above 15° c to prevent polymerization of paraformaldehyde.

First Aid

* If swallowed, give large amounts of drinking water and induce vomiting.

*If vapors inhaled, get out into fresh air immediately. Give oxygen if breathing is difficult.

* If spilled on skin or splashed in eyes, flush with water for at least 15 minutes.

Spill Cleanup Procedures

For small spills (500-1000 ml):

Cover spill quickly with a Fan Pad and spray on Formalex to deactivate and absorb chemical. Let material sit for 10 - 15 minutes. Dispose of materials in plastic bag.

For large spills (>1000 ml):

Use a combination of Fan Pads and Formalex as quickly as possible to contain spill and deactivate it. Vacate area and try to ventilate room, if possible. Call Bridge immediately (x101).

Deactivation/Disposal Procedures at Sea

*Formalex is a greenish liquid that is to be used to insure proper chemical deactivation. Formalex should also be used in conjunction with Fan Pads. Place used Fan Pad in plastic bag, seal, and put in bottom of Spill Kit.

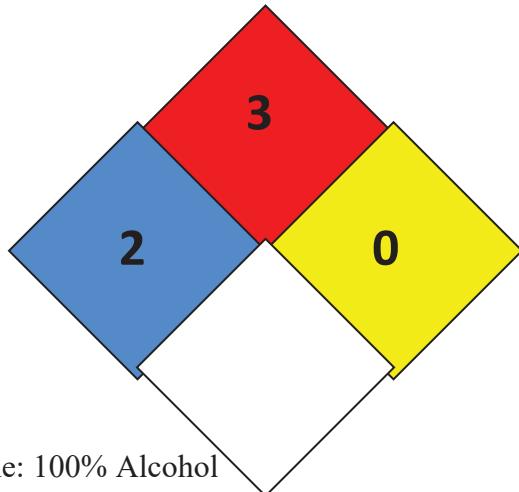
*Fan Pads may be used to absorb small spills alone but these pads work best when used with Formalex to immediately control the vapor layer.

Shipping Procedures and Restrictions

37% formaldehyde cannot be ship by air due to its flammability rating.

All quantities should be over-packed with absorbency material in case the original container is damaged. When shipping by barge or land, labels are not required for quantities under 110 gallons by D.O.T. but the container should have MSDSs and the UN number readily available.

Standard Operating Procedures – Ethanol At-Sea



Chemical Name: 100% Alcohol

UN Number: 1170

Hazard Ratings: (on a scale of 0 to 4)

Health (blue): 2 Flammability (red): 3

Reactivity (yellow): 1 Special (white):

Personal Protection Gear Needed

*gloves

*goggles or face shield when pouring

Special Handling Instructions

* Keep away from heat, flame, and other potential ignition sources.

* Store in a well ventilated area or in a flammable cabinet.

First Aid

* If swallowed, give large amounts of drinking water and induce vomiting.

* If vapors inhaled, get out into fresh air immediately. Give oxygen if breathing is difficult.

* If spilled on skin or splashed in eyes, flush with water for at least 15 minutes.

Spill Cleanup Procedures

Absorb ethanol with 3M Sorbent Pads and allow to dry in a well ventilated area away from

ignition source.

Deactivation/Disposal Procedures at Sea

Use 3M Sorbent Pads to absorb the ethanol. Put used pads outside to dry (secure from blowing overboard and exposure to flame). Once dry, the pads may be reused or burned.

Shipping Procedures and Restrictions

Due to the flammability rating of 95% ethanol, this chemical cannot be shipped by air. Transportation by barge or land vehicle will require the ethanol container to be over-packed with absorbent materials such as clumping kitty litter or shredded paper. Include MSDS and the UN number with the shipment for reference in the event of a spill.

Appendix VI: 2019 AFSC Mitigation Measures Cheat Sheet

2019 AFSC Mitigation Measures Cheat Sheet Assistance for Compliance with Federal conservation laws

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Goal

To prevent, avoid, or minimize interactions with marine mammals, ESA listed species, seabirds, essential fish habitat, and artifacts of historical or cultural significance in Alaska waters while conducting AFSC research, by adhering to the mitigation measures described.

NOTE: The following mitigation measures are for our current surveys – any modifications to current surveys that could affect ESA listed species in a manner not previously considered, such as, new gear types, increase in effort with current gear, using gear in a new geographic region – must be reviewed by AFSC compliance coordinator and AKRO PRD staff.

What Species? All Marine Mammals plus Listed Species

Marine Mammals	Seabirds
Species covered by NMFS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Whales• Seals• Sea lions• Especially: NPRW, Humpbacks, CI Beluga, SSL and ice-associated seals	
Species covered by UWFWS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Walrus• Polar bear• Sea otters	Short-tailed Albatross Spectacled and Steller's eiders

*Other ESA Listed Species: Sea turtles, salmon, and green sturgeon plus migratory Birds

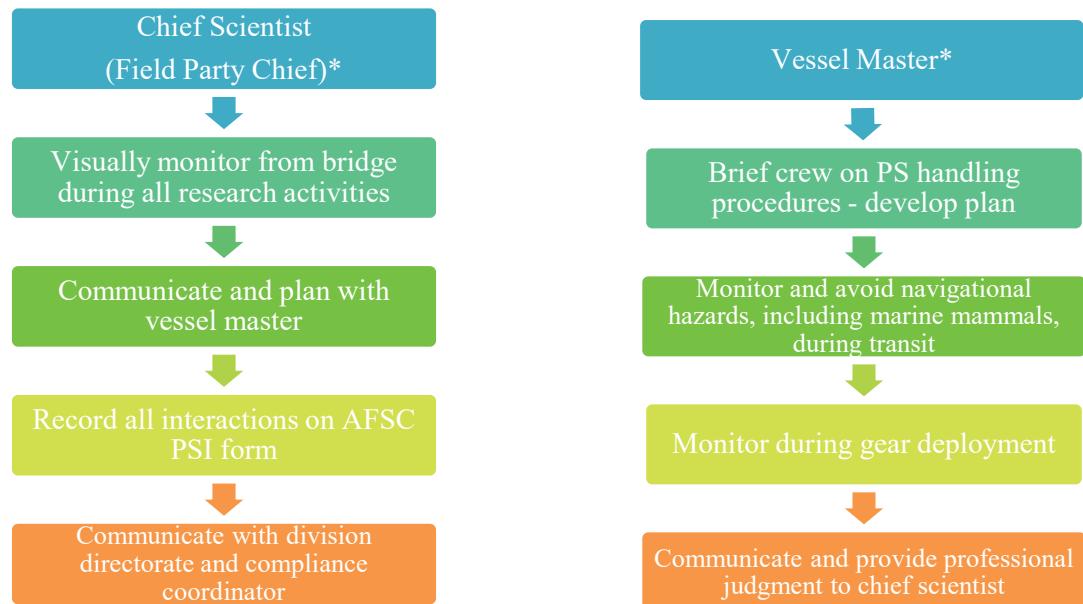
Materials for Visual Monitoring

- Best viewing area (bridge or outside of bridge)
- GPS (vessel or other)
- Email system (vessel or other)
- Mitigation Kit (provided and updated prior to survey season)
 - Range-finding binoculars (coming in FY19, for FY18 best visual estimates of range)
 - Reporting Form (AFSC PS form – fillable PDF or other comparable collection method)
 - ID manuals (Marine Mammals of Alaska, Seabird ID sheets, NPRW ID sheet)
 - Entanglement Flyer
 - Compliance cheat sheets
 - Permits (digital copies of SRP, LOA, LOC, and BiOp ITS)
 - Manual – Currently Appendix D of DPEA (digital)

Communication tree



At Sea: Who is responsible?



*or other designated member of scientific or vessel crew with mitigation training or guidance from individual with training.

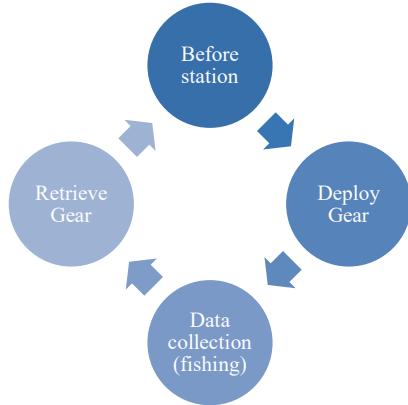
Avoidance

During transiting

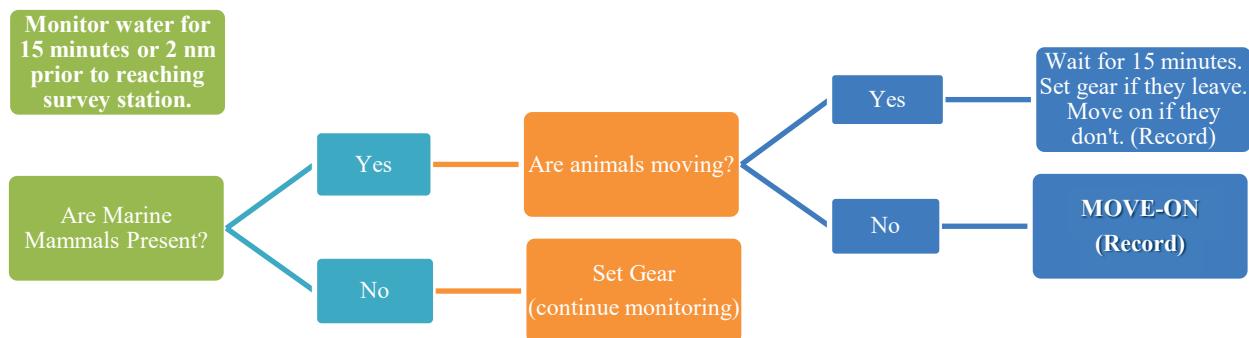
General Vessel Operation Procedures

- Vessel Master vigilant monitoring to avoid ship strikes and navigational hazards
- Minimum approaches
 - All marine mammals >100 yds
 - North Pacific Right Whale >500 yds
 - Polar Bears >0.5 mile (land or ice)
 - Walrus >1 mile (land)
- No Transit Zones of 2 nm around – SSL rookeries and major haulouts unless otherwise authorized. Avoid research activities within 3 nm of SSL rookeries during pupping season (April – June)
- Slow down to <= 10 knots when animals present if listed marine mammals are within 0.5 miles, especially in respective critical habitats (North Pacific Right Whale, Cook Inlet Beluga, Steller Sea Lion).
- Keep unnecessary lights off while anchored or while transiting near seabird colonies

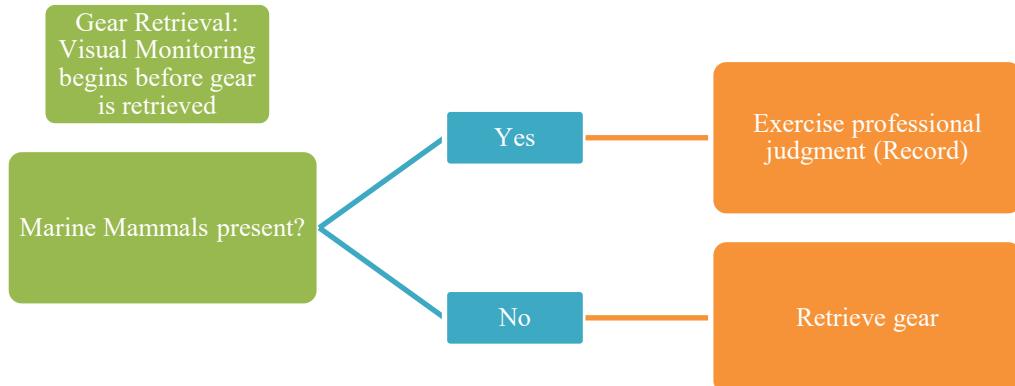
Active monitoring: All Research Activities



Approaching Research Station: Move on Rule



Gear Operation: Continue monitoring during trawl, longline, and gillnet operations. Gear Retrieval



Devices or Procedures for Specific Gear Types

Longline	Surface nets	Gill net
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tori lines/Streamers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install and use acoustic deterrent devices in SEAK 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install and use acoustic deterrent devices

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No discharge of offal before or during setting of gear (trawl also) • Discharge processing offal away from gear retrieval. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two pairs of devices near net opening 	
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Monitoring during acoustic transect

- Active visual monitoring by chief scientist or designee (can be vessel master or informed observer)
- If marine mammal nearby, inform chief scientist immediately
- If near slow vessel down to 10 knots and use other avoidance procedures
- Use best professional judgement
- Acoustic Harassment Zone (100 yds) – record observation of animal entering zone – post survey estimates, line kilometers. EK60 (or other)

Night time operations

- Minimize
- Scan area using available ship lights
- > 50 m aft and amidships visibility during gear deployment
- During limited visibility, search research area.
- Vigilance during transit

Handling Captured Animals

Roles

Vessel Crew	Scientific Crew
Stop all research activities	Stop all research activities
Keep personnel safe	Take pictures (from safe distance)
Get length estimate (approx. okay)	Complete AFSC PS form
Determine injury – if any	ID animals, take measurements if possible
Safely coax animal back to sea if alive	Communicate with Div. Directorate

General

All protected species
If possible, keep in water to release from gear. Call Alaska Marine Mammal Stranding Network for active advice about tangled whales in the water (877-925-7773)
Return animal to sea using common sense approach: Minimize injury to all animals (including humans)

Determine any injuries, take photos, identify species, estimate length and identify sex if possible
No Biological Sampling in FY18 (If dead animal aboard – determine if biological sample requested)
Take pictures and videos (scientific crew)
Albatross: Keep, tag, photograph, bag, freeze any dead albatross especially Short-tailed Albatross (required)

Historical Artifacts (e.g. shipwrecks, plane wrecks)

- Mainly in Aleutian Islands
- Inadvertent Discovery Plan
- If you catch something – keep it, photograph it, record occurrence, report it.

Reporting:

- Listed species within acoustic footprint (100yds)
- Sighting of listed species
- Marine Mammal doesn't move from survey station (Move-On rule employed)
- Marine mammals display unusual behavior or change of behavior, including changes in normal or natural behavioral patterns, such as breeding, feeding, sheltering, etc.
- Large groups (>2-3) of listed species or >10 Humpback whales
- Direct interactions with vessel or gear – all listed species and marine mammals

Significant Observation

Significant Observation	Record	Report
Marine mammal doesn't move- Move on Rule-Yes	AFSC PS form	End of survey
Encounter NPRW <500 yds	AFSC PS form	Immediately
Encounter Whale <100 yds	AFSC PS form	End of survey
Every sighting of ESA listed marine mammal, North Pacific Right Whale, Cook Inlet Beluga, walrus, polar bear, Short-tailed Albatross	AFSC PS form, photos or videos	End of survey
Direct observation of animal in acoustic footprint (100 yds)	AFSC PS form	End of survey
Observe groups of more than 2-3 marine mammals	AFSC PS form, photos or videos	End of survey

Direct Interaction

Direct Interaction	Record	Report
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Animal contacts vessel	AFSC PS form	Immediately
Animal comes into contact or is captured by gear – see Entanglement Flyer	AFSC PS form, photos or videos	Immediately
Animals is injured or killed	AFSC PS form, photos or videos	Immediately
SSL: Exhibit disturbance behavior (startled, stampede or individuals flushed into water)	AFSC PS form	Immediately
Albatross: Report mortality, serious injury, or sick to Division Directorate (inform USFWS within 48 hours)	AFSC PS form, photos or videos	Immediately

Contact information

USFWS Short tailed Albatross BIOP	
Report injured or sick Short tailed Albatross	Alaska Sea Life Center stranded animal hotline: 1-888-774-7325
	USFWS at 1-800-858-7621
Report Take	Alaska U.S. Fish and Wildlife Law Enforcement Office: 800-858-7621
Report Take	Anchorage Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office, Field Supervisor: 907-271-2888.
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USFWS ESA LOC	Catherine Yeargan, USFWS 907-271-2066 catherine_yeargan@fws.gov
USFWS LOA LOC	Christopher Putnam, USFWS, 907-786-3844 christopher_putnam@fws.gov
NMFS ESA and LOA	
Report take, significant interaction	Kristin Mabry will be emailed when data submitted to PSIT
AK Regional Stranding Network	1-877-925-7773
	Aleria Jensen, 907-586-7248
	Barbara Mahoney, 907-271-3448, cell 907-360-3481
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