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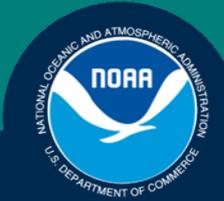


Update on ALWTRP Monitoring
Strategy Development
ALWTRT Northeast
Sub-Group Meeting

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ALWTRP Monitoring Strategy

- Purpose and Need
 - NMFS/ALWTRT recommendations
 - Government Accountability Office recommendations
- Comprehensive Northeast Region marine mammal monitoring strategy in development
- Harbor Porpoise TRP Monitoring Strategy
- ALWTRP Monitoring Strategy Workshop



Components of ALWTRP Monitoring Strategy

Are MMPA goals being met?

- Due to ineffectiveness of existing regulations? (Effectiveness Monitoring)
 - Are management measures effective during current times/areas?
 - Are management measures effective but need spatial/temporal adjustment?
- Due to non-compliance? (Compliance Monitoring)
 - How can non-compliance be identified and addressed?



Components of ALWTRP Monitoring Strategy

Effectiveness Monitoring

- Biological Analyses
- Gear Analyses
- Fisheries/Oceanographic Analyses

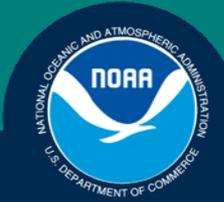
Compliance Monitoring

- Enforcement Activities
- Industry Behavior
- Education & Outreach



Timeline

- Draft strategy currently in development
- To be finalized, implemented, and distributed to ALWTRT and interested parties
 - By 2011 ALWTRT Meeting
- Implementation will begin NMFS Annual & Semi-Annual Reporting periods
 - First year interim report published in July 2012 based on 2010 data



Comments or Questions

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