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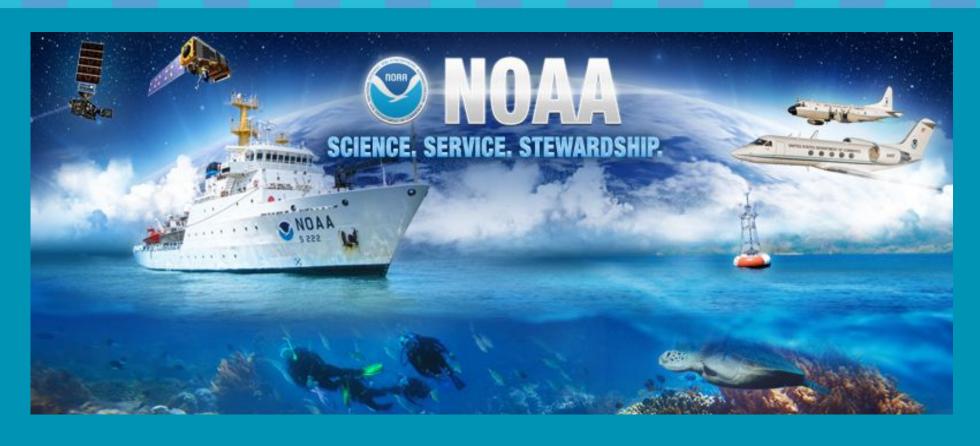




# In Pursuit of Science, Service, and Stewardship







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# NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY SYSTEM



# Places = People



- Resource management & policy makers
  - Federal, Tribal, state, local government
  - Advisory council working groups
  - NGOs, etc.



- Academic, government, NGO research partners
- Local, regional, national, international
- Education/Outreach
  - ONMS education team and partners
  - Teachers and students
  - Engaged communities



### SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCILS



Commercial Fishing



**Recreational Fishing** 



Research



Education/outreach



**Tourism** 



Comm/Citizen at Lg



Diving



Government



Conservation



Business



Recreation



Youth



Culture/Heritage



# Reaching FAR & WIDE



- Over 44 million visitors
- 69,927 Students
- **.** 18,588 Educators
- 6,502 Volunteers
- . 110,958 News Stories
- 114,539,054 Social Media Followers

## System-wide Issues of Concern



- 1. Climate change and ocean acidification
- 2. Soundscapes and noise impacts
- 3. Biodiversity loss
- 4. Vessel strikes and vessel traffic management
- 5. Water quality and contamination
- 6. Connectivity tracking movement and site fidelity
- 7. Invasive species
- 8. Fishing impacts
- 9. Energy development

### Sanctuary Condition Reports



- Status and trends assessment (DPSER) of pressures, resources, and ecosystem services across the system
- Context for community awareness, management plan review, policy and regulation, education programs, and accountability



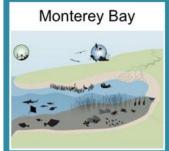
#### WebCRs - Ecosystem Tracking Tools for Condition Reporting

The web-enabled Condition Reporting (WebCR) platform pairs artwork with information to make it easy to explore and track how ecosystem conditions are changing at a sanctuary. Select a sanctuary below to start exploring that sanctuary's ecosystem. Navigate by clicking on icons representing major habitats, species of interest, climate and ocean drivers, and human connections. Interactive icons and silhouettes are linked to status and trend data, images, web stories and other related content. The goal of WebCRs are to help us keep our finger on the pulse of these dynamic ecosystems and to help us to better understand and manage our sanctuaries together. Tiles for other sanctuaries will be added below as those tools become available.

# Channel Islands









Coming soon

Stellwagen Bank

### Sanctuary Watch

- centralized location for tools used in Sanctuary management
- tools that connect to systemwide needs and priorities
- Public access to synthesized information used in decision-making

#### Conservation Issues - Tools to Inform and Improve Management

A number of pressing issues are facing sanctuaries, such as ocean noise, invasive species, marine debris, and climate change. We are building interactive tools that improve access to monitoring and characterization information that address these issues. Our first tool is focused on soundscapes and ocean noise. Tiles for other issues will be added as those tools become available

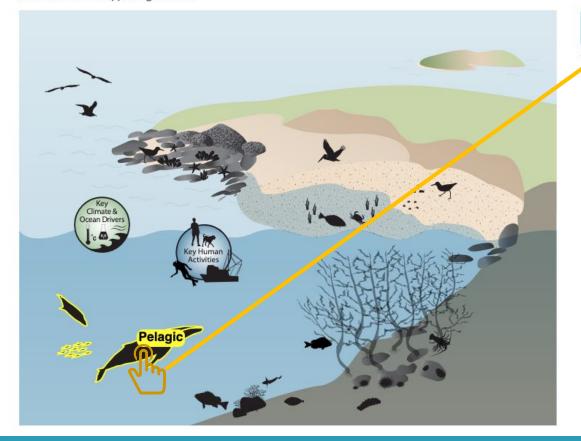


### Web-enabled Condition Reporting (WebCR)

CINMS Deep Seafloor Kelp Forest Rocky Shore Sandy Beach Sandy Seafloor About Pelagic

#### Overview

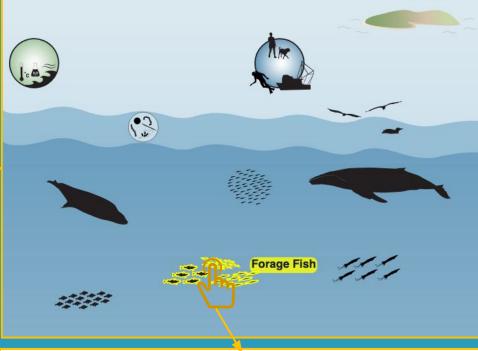
Please explore the interactive ecosystem for Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary. Navigate by clicking on icons representing major habitats, species of interest, major climate and ocean drivers, and key human activities. These interactive icons and silhouettes access status and trend data, images web stories and other supporting content.

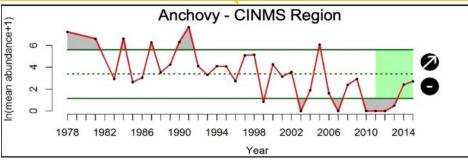


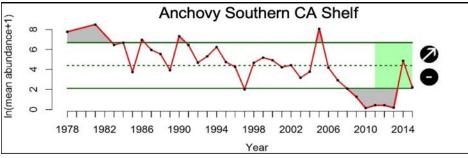
#### FULL STREEN

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- Deep Seafloor
- Kelp Forest
- · Key climate & ocean drivers
- · Key human activities and impacts
- Pelagic
- Rocky Shore
- Sandy Beach
- Sandy Seafloor







### Targeted Products to Match Target Audience

### NCEI Raw Data Archive

National Centers for Environmental Information
Link to NCER's Homepage windered Journal Communities (Communities)
NOAA / NESDIS / NCER / Maps

Layers

SanctSound 
NMFS

Additional Filters

Reset

Background
Passive Acoustic data are used by NOAA and other agencies and institutions to monitor living marine resources, monitor earthquake and geological activity, and assess impacts of anthropogenic noise on marine life.

Information on the archive is available on the NCEI Passive Acoustic Data Archive page.

Archived Projects

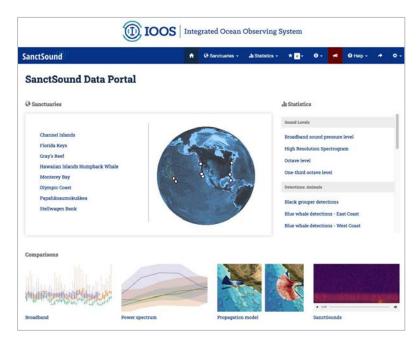
Ocean Noise Reference Station Network (NRS) 
NOAA-Navy Sanctulary, Soundscape Monitoring Project (SanctSound) 
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Elevation: 540.336" 
Revealed To the NCEI Passive Acoustic Data Archive page.

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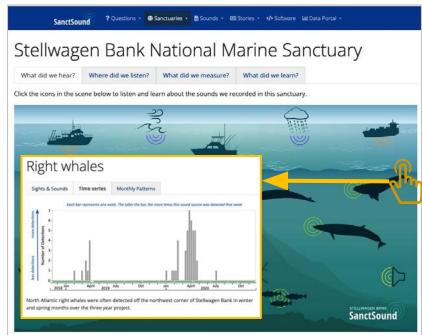
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### SanctSound Data portal



### SanctSound Web portal









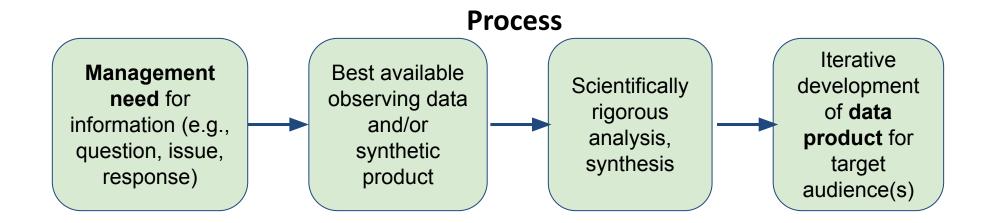
### Co-Design is Key: Define the questions, scale, and use

**Start with the needs**, identify the user, define the questions to answer

Translation of data from observers and scientists to managers and the public is not automatic, it requires focus and resources

#### **Co-design Perspectives**

- managers (e.g., science, policy, resource protection, education)
- data-specific technical expert
- data product and web developer
- science translation, application, interpretation



# Integration and Initiatives for Change



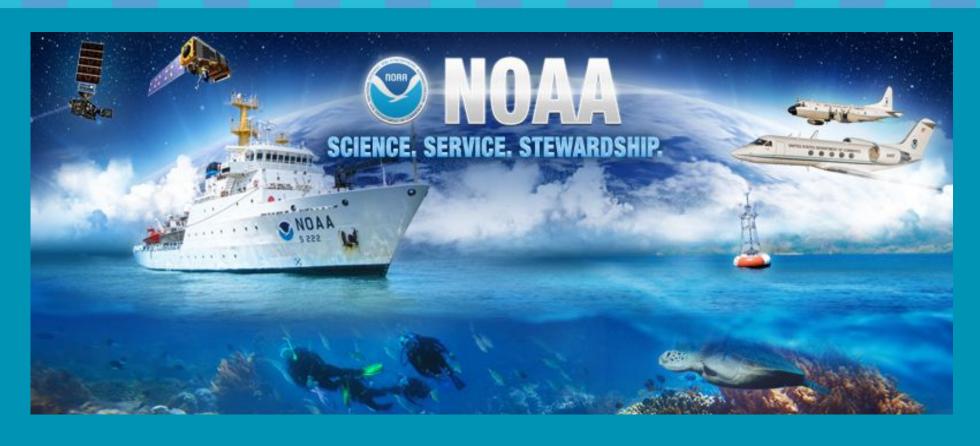


- 1. Community engagement in NOAA/ONMS processes
- 2. Advisory Council and external partner engagement (NGO, Tribal, Federal, State, NGO, Academic)
- 3. Conservation policy and regulation
- 4. Consultation: Internal NOAA and external Federal programs
- 5. Increased protection: Expansion, designation, change
- 6. Governmental transparency

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# Audience Engagement is an Art and Expertise

Knowledge producers

Knowledge users

Technical experts

Researchers

Advisory councils, working groups

Decision makers, engaged public, educators

Data archives and services

Data portals

Curated Data Views, Shiny apps

WebCRs, interactive ESRs

Least

Most

Level of Interpretation





Level of **Technical expertise** 

Most

Least