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GFNMS Advisory Council Reinvigorates Vessel Strikes/Whales Joint Working Group

At the May 20th meeting, GFNMS AC members received an update from GFNMS staff regarding the status of ship strikes on whales within the Sanctuary. While reduced vessel speeds and collaboration with the shipping industry proves effective, the SAC would like to see further action by the Sanctuary and drafted a position statement to reinvigorate the former joint working group (JWG) that was formed in June, 2012. The JWG included participants from both the GFNMS AC and Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary's Advisory Council. The GFNMS AC chose to reconvene this JWG in response to an update provided by GFNMS staff at the May 20th meeting; the newly-reconvened JWG will address issues related to implementation of the recommendations of the previous JWG.



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