

Plan Overview

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Project abstract:

The purpose of this research protocol is to record collisions caused by whale watching boat tours. We make use of remotely operated water vehicles to collect video footage of whale watching tours and analyze the footage simultaneously. This data will be taken over a five year period at multiple whale watching sites along the coast of Mo'orea, French Polynesia.

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Recording Whale Watching Tour and Humpback Whale Collisions

Will collect data on collisions with humpback whales by whale watching tour boats. Will include date, time, whale watching agency, approximate speed of boat, injuries and deaths (if visible).

Data will be collected in field notebook and on Google Spreadsheet.

Name of whale watching sites where data was taken, name of researchers who collected data, overall number of collisions over the years.

By communicating with local communities and agency owners/employees. Data will be encrypted as well.

Data will be accessible by anyone involved in project.

Field notebooks will be kept in lab safely with copies made. Digital data will be copied onto multiple flash drives.

Data will be encrypted with high security code accessible to those involved in project.

All data should be kept.

Stored in lab both digitally and physically with many copies.

Will publish data though research paper but can also upload cleaned up Google Sheet.

Will need exclusive use of data for five years that it is being collected.

I will be responsible for data management as well as partner researchers.

Training for those not familiar with ROV footage and Google Spreadsheets.
