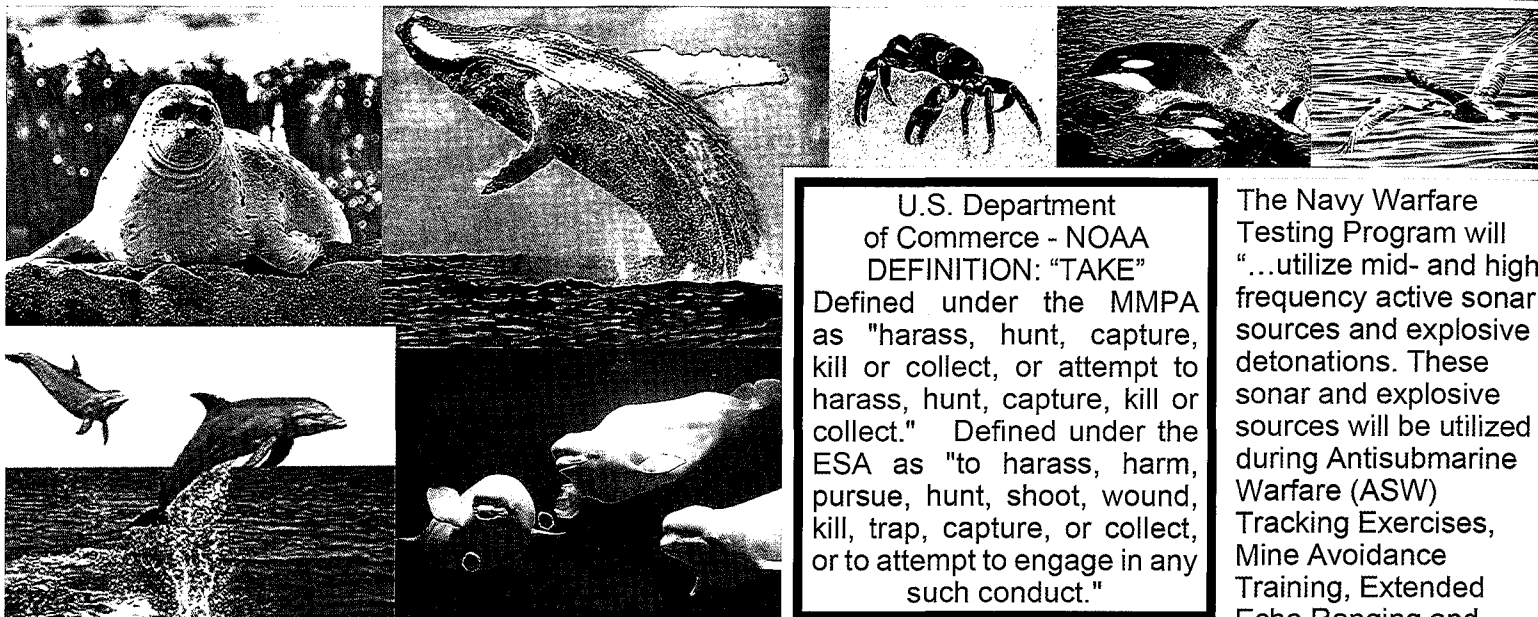


ACTION ALERT: STOP THE NAVY

FROM TAKING 32 SPECIES OF MARINE MAMMALS IN THEIR 5 YEAR WARFARE TESTING PROGRAMS IN THE PACIFIC & ATLANTIC OCEANS & GULF OF MEXICO BEGINNING IN 2009-2010



U.S. Department
of Commerce - NOAA
DEFINITION: "TAKE"

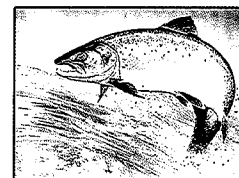
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The Navy Warfare Testing Program will "...utilize mid- and high frequency active sonar sources and explosive detonations. These sonar and explosive sources will be utilized during Antisubmarine Warfare (ASW) Tracking Exercises, Mine Avoidance Training, Extended Echo Ranging and Improved Extended Echo Ranging (EER/IEER) events, Missile Exercises, Gunnery Exercises, Bombing Exercises, Sinking Exercises, and Mine Warfare Training..." (More listed in Navy E.I.S.)

SAVE OUR FISHING & WHALE WATCHING INDUSTRIES, our marine habitat, and protect the public from highly toxic chemicals like Red and White Phosphorus, Depleted Uranium, Chaff, Aluminum Coated Fiberglass & Flares, Lead, Lead Chloride, Chromium, Benzene, Toluene, Nathelene, Ammonium Perchlorate, Potassium Perchlorate, and a whole host of other chemicals, known to be toxic to man and marine life, that are being served up on the "Navy Warfare Chemical Menu" which will contaminate our air, water, and soil.

TAKE ACTION TODAY - CONTACT:

- ALL MEMBERS OF THE U.S. CONGRESS TOLL FREE: (866) 220-0044 WE NEED U.S. CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS TO PROTECT OUR OCEANS & MARINE SEA LIFE FROM NAVY WARFARE TESTING PROGRAMS
- CONTACT THE FOLLOWING ELECTED OFFICIALS:
HONORABLE SENATOR BARBARA BOXER - CHAIRMAN SENATE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
HONORABLE SENATOR RON WYDEN - OREGON
HONORABLE SENATOR SHELDON WHITEHOUSE - RHODE ISLAND
- The Honorable Senator Carl Levin, U.S. Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman, 269 Russell Office Building, Washington, DC 20510 <http://levin.senate.gov> (866) 220-0045 (Senator Levin's committee has oversight over Navy)
- THE NEWS MEDIA, RADIO STATIONS, TELEVISION STATIONS, TALK SHOW HOSTS FROM EVERY MEDIA, SIGN PETITIONS, WRITE LETTERS & EDUCATE OTHERS ABOUT THE NAVY PROGRAMS THAT WILL DECIMATE MORE THAN 11.7 MILLION MARINE MAMMALS & HARM OTHER SEA LIFE WHILE DESTROYING CRITICAL OCEAN HABITAT.

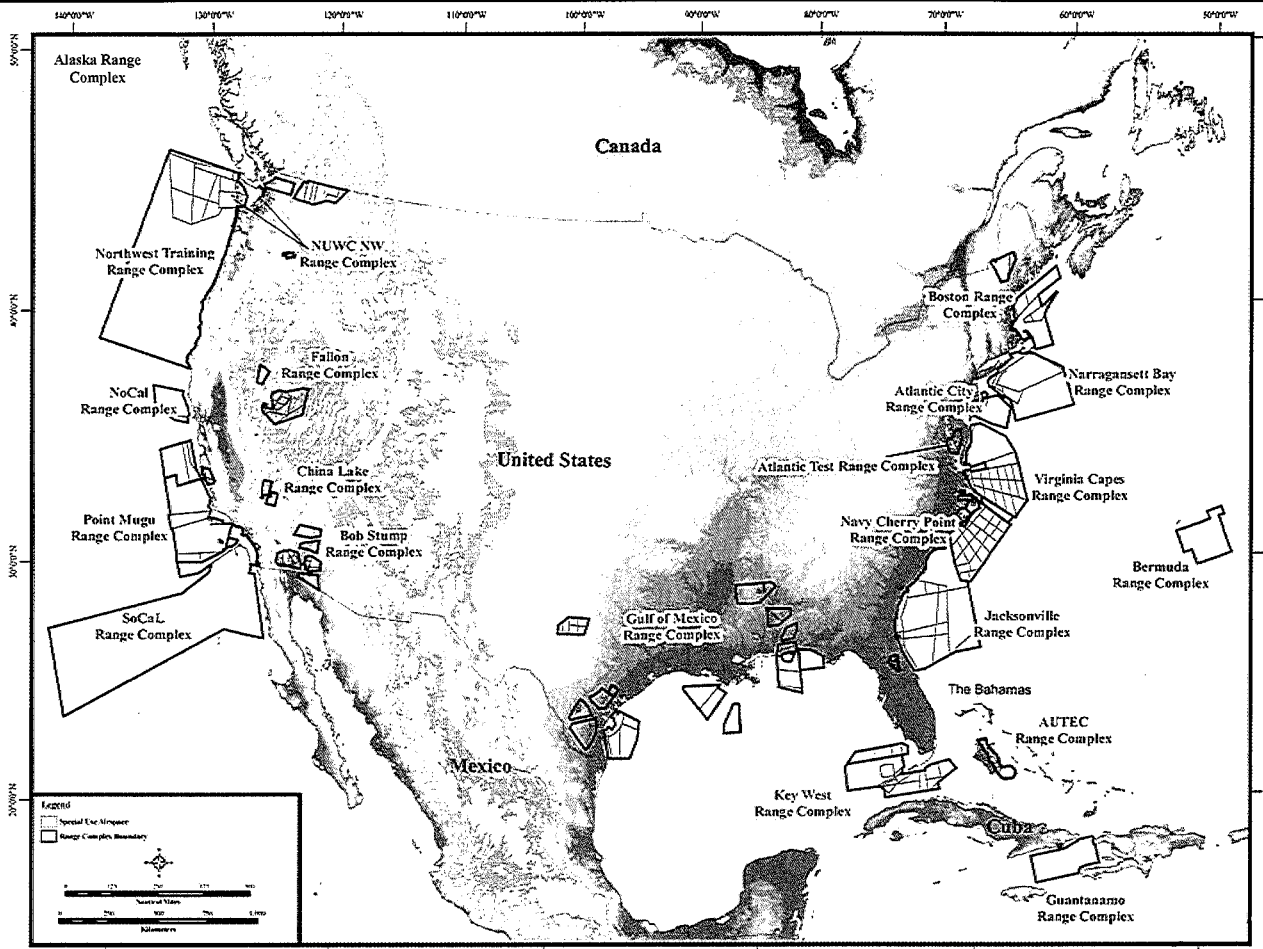


United States Listing of Navy Range Complexes: <http://afasteis.gcsaic.com/docs/Range%20Sustainability.pdf>
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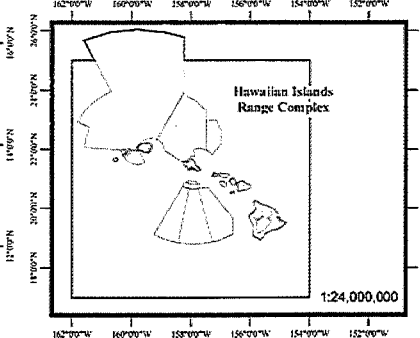
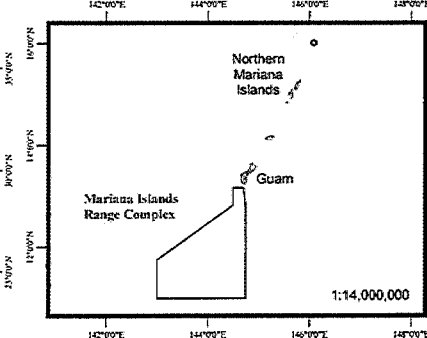
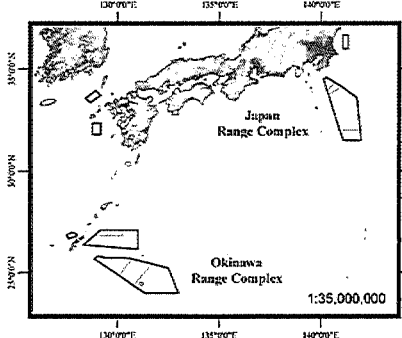
5-YEAR NAVY WARFARE PROGRAMS ARE NOW UNDERWAY IN MANY OCEAN AREAS IN 2009 & MORE WILL CONTINUE TO BE APPROVED IF NO ACTION IS TAKE BY THE PUBLIC TO DEMAND U.S. CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS. ACT TODAY TO PROTECT OUR OCEANS, COASTAL AREAS, ALL MARINE LIFE, OCEAN HABITATS, OCEAN TOURISM, FISHING INDUSTRIES & HUMAN HEALTH!

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UNITED STATE NAVY WARFARE TESTING RANGES



WARFARE TESTING: PACIFIC & ATLANTIC OCEANS • GULF OF MEXICO • HAWAII • ALASKA U.S. AIR FORCE & ARMY TESTING RANGES NOT LISTED



ACTIVE SONAR EXPERIMENTS



WARNING:

THAT THE NAVY WILL BE USING A WHOLE HOST OF TOXIC CHEMICALS SOME BANNED BY THE GENEVA CONVENTION, LIKE WHITE AND RED PHOSPHORUS.

THE NAVY WARFARE TOXIC CHEMICAL LIST INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO:

- DEPLETED URANIUM
- ALUMINUM COATED FIBERGLASS PARTICULATES (CHAFF)
- CADMIUM
- CHROMIUM
- COPPER
- IRON
- LEAD
- MANGANESE
- MERCURY
- ZINC
- AROMATIC HYDROCARBONS
- BENZENE
- TOLUENE
- XYLENE
- ACENAPHTHENE
- FLUORANTHENE
- NAPHTHALENE
- HYDROGEN CYANIDE
- BARIUM CHROMATE
- POTASSIUM PERCHLORATE
- CHLORIDES
- TITANIUM COMPOUNDS
- PERCHLORATE IN ROCKET FUELS
- JET FUEL EMISSIONS

The United States Air Force also has a series of ranges some of which will be conducting bombing and sonar exercises in our oceans - imperiling more marine mammals.

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NO GOVERNMENT AGENCY IS PROTECTING THE PUBLIC INTEREST, IT IS TIME FOR THE U.S. CONGRESS TO ACT, HOLD CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS AND PROTECT OUR OCEANS, ALL MARINE LIFE, AND PUBLIC HEALTH.

Visit one of many Navy Environmental Impact Statements at: www.nwtrangecomplexes.com (California, Oregon, Washington & Idaho)
U.S. Navy Warfare Testing Ranges Map-2009 & General Information: <http://afasteis.gcsaic.com/docs/Range%20Sustainability.pdf>

**U.S. NAVY 5-YEAR WARFARE TESTING PROGRAMS
A NEW THREAT TO THE PACIFIC, GULF OF MEXICO & ATLANTIC MARINE MAMMALS
U.S. CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS NEEDED TODAY TO PROTECT ALL
OCEAN WILDLIFE & HUMAN HEALTH!**

USA TODAY broke this news when they published a news story titled: "Navy Plans Could Affect More Marine Mammals" on August 5, 2010 [1]. According to USA Today news article, backed up by federal documents from the U.S. Navy and NOAA: "...The Navy plans to increase ocean warfare exercises, conduct more sonar tests and expand coastal training...activities that could injure hundreds of thousands of marine mammals or disturb their habitats..."

In a letter to NOAA, dated June 19, 2009, U.S. Senator Feinstein and U.S. Congressman Henry Waxman stated: "...In many regions, the Navy plans to increase the number of its exercises or expand the areas in which they may occur, and virtually every coastal state will be affected. Some exercises may occur in the nation's most biologically sensitive marine habitats, including National Marine Sanctuaries and breeding habitat for the endangered North Atlantic right whale. In all, the Navy anticipates more than 2.3 million takes (significant disruptions in marine mammal foraging, breeding, and other essential behaviors) per year, or 11.7 million takes over the course of a five-year permit..." [2]

The U.S. Navy is expanding their 5-Year Warfare Training in Northern California, Oregon, Washington, and Idaho (NWTRC). The Final U.S. Navy Environmental Impact Statement (EIS/OEIS), was released on September 10, 2010, and now is available for review, public comment, and protests by going to the U.S. Navy website [9]. The thirty day public comment period ends on October 11, 2010. File your protests and comments today with the U.S. Navy and NOAA. Let your elected officials know that U.S. Congressional hearings are needed now to protect all ocean areas, 11.7 million marine mammals, the fishing and tourism industries, our national marine sanctuaries, migrating whales, manatees, fish, their ocean habitats and food supplies, and public health.

The U.S. Congress, NOAA, and the U.S. Navy are ignoring Chapter 5 of the April 2010, Report of the NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE – PRESIDENT’S CANCER PANEL “Exposure to Contaminants and Other Hazards from Military Sources” [8].

Many U.S. Navy, U.S. Air Force, Environmental Impact Statements, U.S. Congressional Letters, and NOAA Documents regarding these 5-Year Warfare Testing programs are located on the following website: <http://agriculturedefensecoalition.org/?q=us-navy>

CONTACT YOUR ELECTED OFFICIAL TODAY! ASK FOR U.S. CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH, OUR MARINE MAMMALS & OUR OCEANS.

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**U.S. NAVY NORTHWEST TRAINING RANGE COMPLEX FINAL EIS/OEIS
NOW AVAILABLE-SEE BELOW**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 10, 2010

A copy of the Final EIS/OEIS is available at: www.NWTRangeComplexEIS.com

U.S. NAVY NWTRC: Northern California, Oregon, Washington & Idaho

Comments on the Final EIS/OEIS must be postmarked or received by October 12, 2010

Interested parties may submit comments via the project website at
www.NWTRangeComplexEIS.com or by U.S. mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Northwest
1101 Tautog Circle, Suite 203
Silverdale, WA 98315-1101
Attn: Mrs. Kimberly Kler – NWTRC EIS

Send Written Public Comments to:

**Dr. Jane Lubchenco, NOAA Undersecretary
Oceans & Atmosphere U.S. Department of Commerce
14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 5128
Washington, DC 20230**

SILVERDALE, Wash. — The U.S. Navy has completed the Final Environmental Impact Statement/Overseas Environmental Impact Statement (EIS/OEIS) for the Northwest Training Range Complex. In compliance with Council on Environmental Quality regulations, public hearings were held in association with the Draft EIS/OEIS. Public hearings are not required for the Final EIS/OEIS.

Regulations provide for a 30-day wait period after the Final EIS/OEIS is published before the agency may take final action. During that period, in addition to the agency's own internal final review, the public and other agencies can comment on the Final EIS/OEIS prior to the agency's final action on the proposal.

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The Final EIS/OEIS has been made available to individuals, agencies and organizations that requested a copy of the final document and/or provided comments during the public review period for the Draft EIS/OEIS. A copy of the Final EIS/OEIS is available at: www.NWTRangeComplexEIS.com or can be viewed at one of the following information repositories:

For information on the Navy and other ongoing EIS projects in the Northwest region, please visit Navy Region Northwest at www.cnrc.navy.mil/cnrnw or contact Mrs. Sheila Murray, Environmental Public Affairs Officer, at 360-396-4981 for a CD or hard copy of this Environmental Impact Statement.

PETITION TO STOP THE U.S. NAVY 5-YEAR WARFARE TESTING PROGRAMS IN THE PACIFIC, ATLANTIC & THE GULF OF MEXICO & THE "TAKING" OF 32 DIFFERENTSPECIES OF MARINE MAMMALS (11.7 Million)

Whereas, in a letter to NOAA, dated June 19, 2009, U.S. Senator Feinstein and U.S. Congressman Henry Waxman stated: "...In many regions, the Navy plans to increase the number of its exercises or expand the areas in which they may occur, and virtually every coastal state will be affected. Some exercises may occur in the nation's most biologically sensitive marine habitats, including National Marine Sanctuaries and breeding habitat for the endangered North Atlantic right whale. In all, the Navy anticipates more than 2.3 million takes (significant disruptions in marine mammal foraging, breeding, and other essential behaviors) per year, or 11.7 million takes over the course of a five-year permit..."

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With respect to military readiness activities, the MMPA defines "harassment" as: "...(i) any act that injures or has the significant potential to injure a marine mammal or marine mammal stock in the wild [Level A Harassment]; or (ii) any act that disturbs or is likely to disturb a marine mammal or marine mammal stock in the wild by causing disruption of natural behavioral patterns, including, but not limited to, migration, surfacing, nursing, breeding, feeding, or sheltering, to a point where such behavioral patterns are abandoned or significantly altered [Level B Harassment]...training activities may expose some of the marine mammals present in the area to sound from various mid-frequency and high-frequency active tactical sonar sources or to pressure from underwater detonations.."

Whereas, a wide variety of marine mammals have already been harmed due to Navy Warfare Testing of Weapons and Sonar (along with toxic chemicals like depleted uranium, red and white phosphorus), from 5-Year Warfare testing programs currently underway in Southern California and other areas of the Pacific, Atlantic and the Gulf of Mexico;

Whereas, the Navy proposes to expand its NWT Range Complex warfare testing range to encompass more Pacific Ocean and land areas of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, California; (See: <http://www.nwtrangecomplexeis.com> Navy Environmental Impact Statement)

Therefore, we the undersigned, demand that the "taking" of marine mammals and fish be stopped and U.S. Congressional hearings be held to protect public health, air and water supplies, fish, birds, ocean habitat, our marine mammals, and other threatened and endangered species.

We further demand that NOAA, the National Marine Fisheries Service, and the U.S. Department of Commerce stop any attempts by the Navy to "take", kill, maim or harm any marine mammals or fish in any ocean areas, including Alaska, by not issuing permits for any such actions to take place now or in the future. Current Navy and NOAA mitigation measures are inadequate to protect marine life, coastal regions, tourism, and human health.

Printed Name _____ Printed Address, City, State _____ Telephone # _____ Signature _____ Date _____