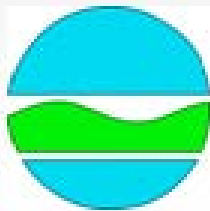


Whale Monitoring in the New York Bight

Expert workshop
January 16, 2014



DEC Management & Conservation of Whales

- Limited activity in past
- Priority for many DEC programs & plans
- MES program
- Oceans & Great Lakes
- State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP)



SWAP Large Whale Species of Greatest Conservation Need



- Blue
- Fin
- Humpback
- North Atlantic Right
- Sei
- Sperm



Large Whale Near Term Concerns

- Ship Strikes
- Impacts of alternative energy (wind farms)



Goal of Long Term Monitoring

- Build on results from work by Cornell & others
- Decided on experts workshop
- Contracted Heritage Program to lead

