





The focus of the survey is Gray whales (northbound) during migration. We record sighting data for all Cetaceans (in our survey, whales and dolphins), including a distinguishing tally of Gray whales (southbound) and Humpback whales, as well as Bottlenose, Pacific White-sided, and Common dolphins.

We gather data on a Sea otters and Pinnipeds (Harbor seals and rarer species in this area, including Northern Elephant seals and Northern Fur seals). We do not record the ubiquitous California sea lions swimming around. We do, however, watch for sick and injured sea lions and enter them, if they come on shore and are in need of rescue. We, then, contact the Marine Mammal Center to attend to the animal. This report documents sightings of sea lions on shore.

In 2015, we did not observe any Northern Elephant seals or Northern Fur seals., nor did we see any otters.

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California sea lion Zalophus californianus

Total: 32 Pups: 5 Number of Sightings: 31

Feb 17	Day 1 of 102		California sea lion		Daily Totals	Pinnipeds 1	Pups 1
	Sighting Number	01	Quality: Fair Beaufort: 0	Total 1 — 1 Pup at sighting			
			09:21 -PST	Saw: Body			
			17:21-GMT	Position: / m Direction: ni; Behavior: on s	and		
			on rock - not injured	- back in ocean @ 1024			
Feb 18	Day 2 of 102		California sea lion		Daily Totals	Pinnipeds 1	Pups ()
	Sighting Number	22	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting			
			Beaufort: 1				
			14:20 -PST	Saw: Body			
			22:20-GMT	Position: / m Direction: ni; Behavior: on s	and		
			On rocks - went back	in water at 14:30			
Feb 19	Day 3 of 102		California sea lion		Daily Totals	Pinnipeds 2	Pups 1
	Sighting Number	21	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 1 Pup at sighting			
			Beaufort: 1				
			15:55 -PST	CueTip: Passerby / Saw: Body			
			23:55-GMT	Position: / m Direction: ni; Behavior: on s	and		
			On rocks - into water	@ 15:58			
	Sighting Number	23	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting			
			Beaufort: 1	6 Ti 2 L (6 2 L			
			16:15 -PST	CueTip: Passerby / Saw: Body			
			0:15; 2/20/2015-GMT Distressed sea lion or	Position: / m Direction: ni; Behavior: on s	and		
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Feb 21	Day 5 of 102		California sea lion		Daily Totals	Pinnipeds 1	Pups ()
	Sighting Number	17	Quality: Poor Beaufort: 2	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting Images: 1851-55			
			16:03 -PST	Saw: Body			
			0:03; 2/22/2015-GMT	Position: / m Direction: ni; Behavior: on s	and		
			Scratching it's back	,			
Feb 26	Day 10 of 102		California sea lion		Daily Totals	Pinnipeds 2	Pups ()
	Sighting Number	18	Quality: Good	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting			
			Beaufort: 2				
			12:59 -PST	Saw: ni			
			20:59-GMT	Position: 133° / 100 m Direction: ni; Behav	ior: on sand		
			On rocks - called MM	C @ 13:00 - no reponse, Zc in water at 13:	46, notified M	MC	
	Sighting Number	26	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting			
			Beaufort: 1				
			15:27 -PST	Saw: Body			
			23:27-GMT On rocks	Position: 116° / 80 m Direction: Still; Behav	ior: on sand		
Feb 27	Day 11 of 102		California sea lion		Daily Totals	Pinnipeds 1	Pups ()
	Sighting Number	04	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting			
			Beaufort: 3	Images: 2064-6			
			10:44 -PST	Saw: Body			
			18:44-GMT	Position: 234° / 50 m Direction: Still; Behav			
			On beach - called MN	AC @ 10:49. 3 calls, no response - called @	13:10 - not at	Point	

			O allies Fair	Total 1 O Divine at sighting
	Sighting Number	09	Quality: Fair Beaufort: 4	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting
			12:01 -PST	Saw: Body
			20:01-GMT Rescued by MMC @ 12	Position: 152° / 25 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand 2:02
Mar 01	Day 13 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals Pinnipeds 1 Pups 0
	Sighting Number	01	Quality: Poor Beaufort: 0	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting
			09:05 -PST	Saw: Body
			17:05-GMT	Position: 123° / 40 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand
			Behind rock then wen	at back into ocean
Mar 15	Day 27 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals Pinnipeds 1 Pups 0
	Sighting Number	28	Quality: Poor Beaufort: 0	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting
			14:54 -PDT	Saw: Body
			22:54-GMT	Position: 244° / 40 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand
			Back in water @ 14:56	
Mar 22	Day 34 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals Pinnipeds 1 Pups 0
	Sighting Number	15	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting
			Beaufort: 3	
			14:03 -PDT	Saw: Body
			21:03-GMT	Position: 139° / 40 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand
			On rocks	
			17:00 -PDT	Saw: Body
			0:00; 3/23/2015-GMT	Position: 139° / 40 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand
			Still on rocks	
Mar 24	Day 36 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals Pinnipeds 1 Pups 0
	Sighting Number	02	Quality: Fair Beaufort: 2	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting
			09:08 -PDT	CueTip: Passerby / Saw: Body
			16:08-GMT	Position: 302° / 60 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand
			Resting on rocks - wei	nt back in water
Mar 27	Day 39 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals Pinnipeds 3 Pups 0
	Sighting Number	02	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting
			Beaufort: 1	Images: 3370-5
			09:13 -PDT	Saw: Body
			16:13-GMT	Position: 143° / 60 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand a, back in water at 09:30
			Off rocks in wave area	,
	Sighting Number	17	Quality: Fair Beaufort: 2	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting
			12:49 -PDT	Saw: Body
			19:49-GMT	Position: 177° / 80 m Direction: Circling; Behavior: on sand
			On rocks - went back	in water at 12:51
	Sighting Number	24	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting
			Beaufort: 3	
			14:33 -PDT	Saw: Body
			21:33-GMT	Position: 169° / 65 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand
			14:58 -PDT	Saw: Body
			21:58-GMT	Position: 170° / 55 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand
			15:33 -PDT	Saw: Body
			22:33-GMT	Position: 169° / 50 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand
			16:15 -PDT	Saw: Body
			23:15-GMT	Position: 224° / 100 m Direction: West; Behavior: in surf zone

Mar 29	Day 41 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals Pinnipe	eds 1 Pu	ıps 0
	Sighting Number	09	Quality: Fair Beaufort: 3	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting		
			11:51 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			18:51-GMT Resting on rocks- call	Position: 134° / 60 m Direction: Circling; Behavior: on sand ed MMC @ 11:59, gone by 12:52		
Mar 31	Day 43 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals Pinnipe	eds 1 Pu	ıps ()
	Sighting Number	16	Quality: Fair Beaufort: 2	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting		
			13:28 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			20:28-GMT	Position: 166° / 80 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand		
			On rocks resting			
			13:56 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			20:56-GMT	Position: 166° / 80 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand		
			Back in water at 14:00)		
Apr 08	Day 51 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals Pinnipe	ds 4 Pu	ıps 1
	Sighting Number	06	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 1 Pup at sighting		
			Beaufort: 2	Images: 3570-85		
			10:01 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			17:01-GMT	Position: 287° / 60 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand		
			Person approach, swo	an away		
			10:03 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			17:03-GMT	Position: 264° / 50 m Direction: North; Behavior: Speed slow		
	Sighting Number	07	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting		
			Beaufort: 3	Images: 3586-91		
			10:08 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			17:08-GMT Laying on mussel bed	Position: 165° / 80 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand ● Resting,	vertical	
	Sighting Number	08	Quality: Fair Beaufort: 3	Total 2 — 0 Pups at sighting		
			10:28 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			17:28-GMT	Position: 111° / 80 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand		
				g #7, the other very skinny, on rocks		
Apr 09	Day 52 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals Pinnipe	ds 1 Pu	ıps ()
	Sighting Number	12	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting		
			Beaufort: 1	Images: 3635-9		
			10:25 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			17:25-GMT	Position: 236° / 50 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand		
				ed it back into water at 11:15		
Apr 11	Day 54 of 102 Sighting Number	03	California sea lion Quality: Fair	Daily Totals Pinnipe Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting	as 2 Pu	ips ()
	Signaing Number	03	Beaufort: 0	Total 1 0 1 aps at signting		
			09:27 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			16:27-GMT	Position: 158° / 100 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand		
			Resting on rocks			
			10:30 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			17:30-GMT	Position: 158° / 100 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand		
			Returned to water @ 1	11:31		
	Sighting Number	28	Quality: Good Beaufort: 3	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting		
			16:42 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			23:42-GMT	Position: 148° / 60 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand		
			Resting on rocks, mov	ed to sand		

Apr 20	Day 63 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals	Pinnipeds 1	Pups ()
	Sighting Number	16	Quality: Fair Beaufort: 3	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting		
			12:58 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			19:58-GMT	Position: / m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand		
			On rocks, orange to	g on left front flipper - went back in water before 14:00		
Apr 22	Day 65 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals	Pinnipeds 1	Pups ()
	Sighting Number	06	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting		
			Beaufort: 1	Images: 5806-10		
			10:37 -PDT	Saw: ni		
			17:37-GMT	Position: 133° / 60 m Direction: ni; Behavior: on sand		
			On rock - called MN	IC - off rock @ 11:46 - trying to stay on mostly submerge	ed rock in waves	
Apr 28	Day 71 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals	Pinnipeds 1	Pups 1
	Sighting Number	21	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 1 Pup at sighting		
			Beaufort: 3	Images: 1856-66		
			15:58 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			22:58-GMT	Position: 179° / 60 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand		
			On mussel beds - w	ent back in water around 16:15 - back on rocks at 16:24	I.	
May 04	Day 77 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals	Pinnipeds 1	Pups (
	Sighting Number	16	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting		
			Beaufort: 3	Images: 9774-80		
			12:26 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			19:26-GMT	Position: 134° / 40 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand		
			On rocks - called Mi	MC @ 13:14; still there at 14:40		
May 05	Day 78 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals	Pinnipeds 1	Pups ()
	Sighting Number	06	Quality: Poor	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting		
			Beaufort: 0	Images: 9939-44		
			09:21 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			16:21-GMT	Position: 102° / 60 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand		
			Called MMC @ 09:2	1; moved to rock @ 120; back in water @ 09:33, called N	IMC	
May 25	Day 98 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals	Pinnipeds 1	Pups (
	Sighting Number	28	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 0 Pups at sighting		
			Beaufort: 0			
			15:43 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			22:43-GMT	Position: 131° / m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand		
			Oiled - rescued by to	he Marine Mammal Center Sausalito		
May 28	Day 101 of 102		California sea lion	Daily Totals	Pinnipeds 1	Pups 1
	Sighting Number	19	Quality: Fair	Total 1 — 1 Pup at sighting		
			Beaufort: 1	Images: 5102-5113, 5117-5137		
			14:53 -PDT	Saw: Body		
			21:53-GMT	Position: 174° / 80 m Direction: Still; Behavior: on sand		
			On rocks, rescued b	v Sea World Rescue		