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Subject Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary - rules and enforcement



Aloha To our Management Plan Review Coordinator at the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary,

Please create and strengthen laws to protect whales from strikes. Include a speed limit of 13 knots during whale season and strict enforcement and penalties for any vessel breaking the speed limit or hitting whales.

Please limit all sonar activity during whale season and to comply with NOAA noise policies.

Please fund water quality monitoring and strict laws to stop sewage dumping, pesticide and chemical runoff.

URGENT: Please protect reef habitat and to establish "No Take" Marine Conservation Areas: either MLCD's or Marine Parks on Kauai.

Please create laws to have all nets identifiable and hold fishers' liable for derelict nets, and a reward for boaters who collect stray nets.

Mahalo,

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He po`i na kai uli, kai ko`o, `a`ohe hina pūko`a.

Though the sea be deep and rough, the coral rock remains standing.