HAVE YOU SEEN WHALES?
Call 866-ORCANET, or email info@orcanetwork.org, or report directly to us on our Facebook Page: Orca Network

Here’s what should be included in your report:

1. The location of the whales; then where are you reporting from & what time you had your sighting. Include the date.

2. What type of whale & how many of them? *If you’re seeing orcas, how many males (large dorsal fins)?

3. What direction were they going?

4. Any behaviors to note? (chasing prey, traveling fast, jumping, splashing, etc.)

Now you try one! Look at the scene below and fill in the missing information to report what you are seeing. We’ve filled the first one out for you.

1. Location, Time, and Date:
   Lime Kiln State Park Lighthouse, 2:38pm on Saturday July 5th, 2019

2. Type of whale? How many?
   How many, large male dorsal fins?

3. What direction were they going?

4. Any behaviors to note?

BIOMAGNIFICATION IN THE FOOD CHAIN

WHEN CHEMICALS, PLASTICS, AND TOXICANTS ENTER THE FOOD CHAIN, THEY DO SO IN SMALL AMOUNTS, BUT THEY MAGNIFY, OR GET LARGER, AS THE TOXICS BUILD THEIR WAY UP TO THE TOP OF THE FOOD CHAIN. THIS MEANS THE LARGER PREDATORS WILL HAVE EVEN MORE TOXICS IN THEIR BODIES. THESE POLLUTANTS ARE HARMFUL AND CAN CAUSE HEALTH PROBLEMS FOR ALL MARINE LIFE.

HELP US FILL IN SOME OF THE NUMBERS, BELOW, FOR EACH STEP OF THE FOOD CHAIN:

* eats 10 plankton
* eats 10 herring
* eats ____ salmon
OTHER WAYS YOU CAN HELP!

WE LOVE BEACH CLEAN-UPS!

TO PROTECT HERRING, SALMON, ORCAS, AND ALL THE OTHER ANIMALS THAT RELY ON A HEALTHY WATERSHED, YOU CAN DO THE FOLLOWING:

• PICK UP ANY TRASH YOU SEE ALONG THE RIVERS & ON LAND. 
  INLAND TRASH CAN WIND UP IN THE SALISH SEA!
• DISPOSE OF YOUR OWN GARBAGE PROPERLY.
• TEACH PEOPLE ABOUT WHY PLASTIC & POLLUTION ISN’T GOOD FOR THE FOOD CHAIN, SALMON, AND ORCAS!

Some tools for the job are pictured above. What else could help you pick up trash off the beach?

HOW TO KEEP THE RIVERS AND THE SALISH SEA HEALTHY

Replace single-use plastic items (that are often used everyday) with reusable alternatives

Plant a raingarden to help manage stormwater run-off

Eliminate the use of chemicals on your yard and in your gardens

Hold your own personal, or socially-distanced, clean-up event

Whether at the park or in your own yard, scoop your pet’s poop and put it in the trash!

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