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# North Atlantic Right Whales and the Maritime Community

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# High Potential for Conflicts

Confluence of ports and whales  
= Vessel Interactions

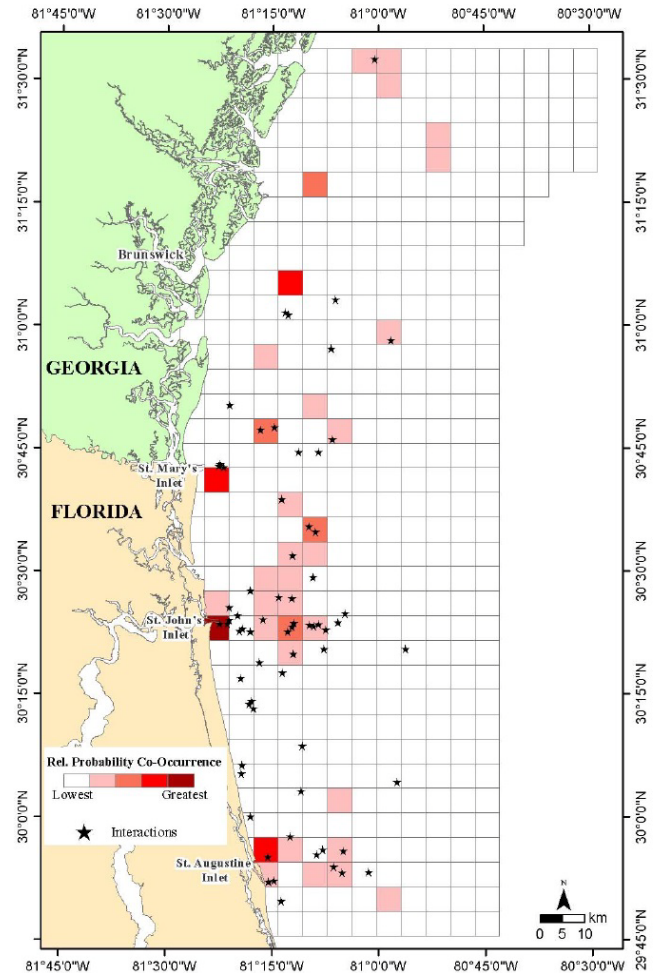
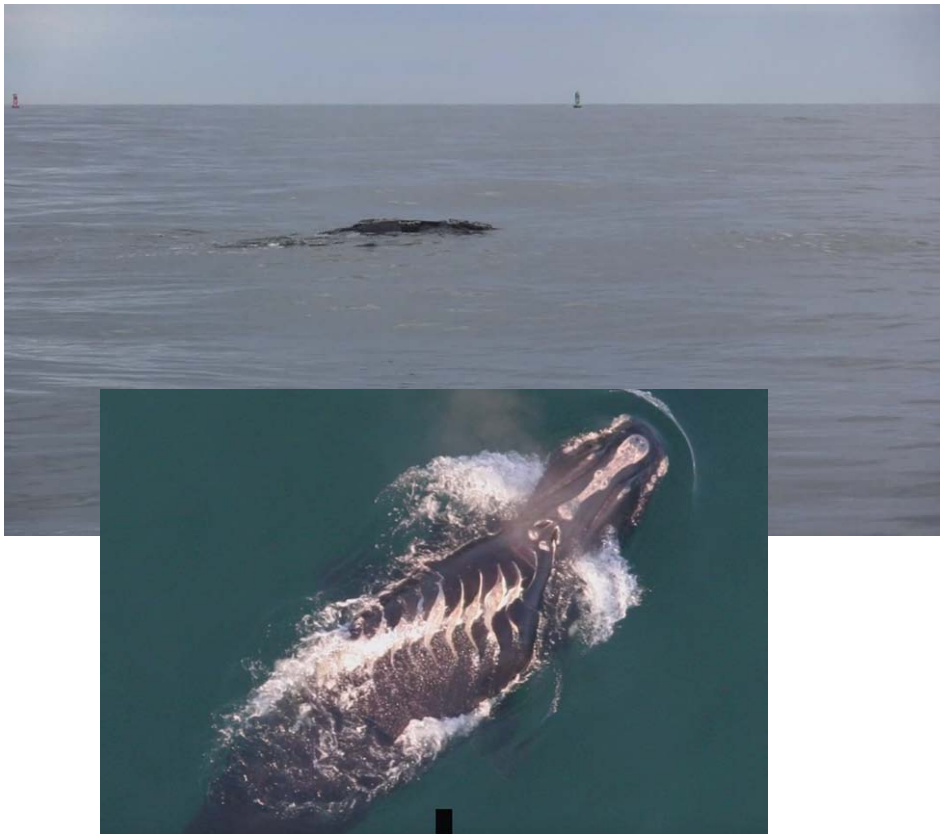


Figure 28. Cumulative relative probability of right whale/recreational vessel co-occurrence. Analyses were performed based on data from 2009-2014 right whale seasons. Black stars represent direct observations of right whale/recreational vessel co-occurrences reported by the Early Warning System (EWS).

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# Federal Regulations

## 1. Ship Strike Reduction Rule

(50 CFR 224.105)

### Seasonal Management Areas (SMA)

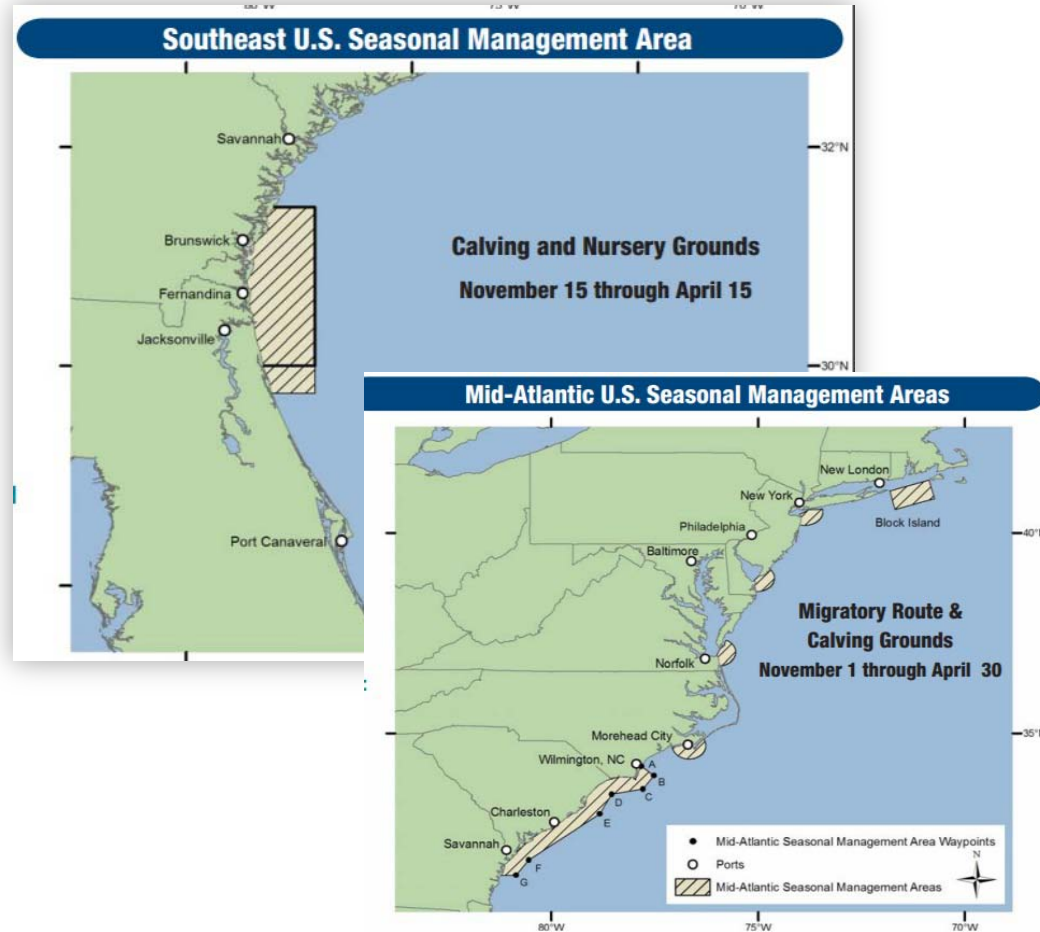
10 knot seasonal speed limit along coast

Dynamic Seasonal Management Areas (DMA)

## 2. Mandatory Ship Reporting System (MSR) (33 CFR Part 169)

WHALESSOUTH in effect

## 3. 500 Yard Approach Rule (50CFR 222.32)



# Report Right Whale Sightings

Call **1-877-WHALE HELP**  
or **USCG CH 16**

Call-back number and vessel name  
are important!

Dead, injured, entangled or regular

To receive Whale Alerts:

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