

Endangered and Threatened Species Under NMFS' Jurisdiction

List of Mammal Species under NMFS' Jurisdiction

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Marine Mammals (22 listed "[species](#)")

Manatees and sea otters are also listed under the ESA, but fall under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Species	Year Listed	Status	Critical Habitat*	Recovery Plan*
Cetaceans				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • beluga whale (1 listed DPS) (<i>Delphinapterus leucas</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cook Inlet 	2008	E	final	in process
• blue whale (<i>Balaenoptera musculus</i>)	1970	E	n/a	final
• bowhead whale (<i>Balaena mysticetus</i>)	1970	E	n/a	n/a
• Chinese River dolphin / baiji (<i>Lipotes vexillifer</i>)	1989	E (F)	n/a	n/a
• fin whale (<i>Balaenoptera physalus</i>)	1970	E	n/a	final
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • gray whale (1 listed DPS) (<i>Eschrichtius robustus</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Western North Pacific 	1970	E (F)	n/a	n/a
• Gulf of California harbor porpoise / vaquita (<i>Phocoena sinus</i>)	1985	E (F)	n/a	n/a
• humpback whale (<i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>)	1970	E	n/a	final
• Indus River dolphin (<i>Platanista minor</i>)	1991	E (F)	n/a	n/a
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • killer whale (1 listed DPS) (<i>Orcinus orca</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Southern Resident 	2005	E	final	final
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Atlantic right whale (<i>Eubalaena glacialis</i>) original listing as "northern right whale" - 	2008 1970	E E	final	final
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Pacific right whale (<i>Eubalaena japonica</i>) original listing as "northern right whale" - 	2008 1970	E E	final	no

• sei whale (<i>Balaenoptera borealis</i>)	1970	E	n/a	final
• Southern right whale (<i>Eubalaena australis</i>)	1970	E (F)	n/a	n/a
• sperm whale (<i>Physeter macrocephalus</i>)	1970	E	n/a	final
Pinnipeds				
• Guadalupe fur seal (<i>Arctocephalus townsendi</i>)	1985	T (F)	n/a	n/a
• Hawaiian monk seal (<i>Monachus schauinslandi</i>)	1976	E	final	final
• Mediterranean monk seal (<i>Monachus monachus</i>)	1970	E (F)	n/a	n/a
• Saimaa seal (<i>Phoca hispida saimensis</i>)	1993	E (F)	n/a	n/a
• Spotted seal (1 listed DPS) (<i>Phoca largha</i>)				
○ Southern	2010	T	no	no
• Steller sea lion (2 listed DPSs) (<i>Eumetopias jubatus</i>)				
○ Eastern <u>*NMFS has proposed to delist the eastern DPS.</u>	1990	T	final	final
○ Western	1997	E	final	final
○ <i>original listing -</i>	1990	T		

* **NOTE:** Critical habitat and recovery plans are not required for foreign species; critical habitat is also not required for species listed prior to the 1978 ESA amendments that added critical habitat provisions. Bowhead whales are also exempt from recovery planning.

List of Turtle Species under NMFS' Jurisdiction

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Marine Turtles (16 listed "[species](#)")

Recovery plans for marine turtles are developed and implemented by NMFS and USFWS; the plans have been written separately for turtles in the Atlantic and Pacific oceans (and East Pacific for the green turtle) rather than for each listed species.

Species	Year Listed	Status	Critical Habitat*	Recovery Plan*
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • green turtle (2 listed populations^{**}) (<i>Chelonia mydas</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Florida & Mexico's Pacific coast breeding colonies ○ all other areas 	1978	E	final	final
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ all other areas 	1978	T	final	final
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • hawksbill turtle (<i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i>) 	1970	E	final	final
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kemp's ridley turtle (<i>Lepidochelys kempii</i>) 	1970	E	n/a	final
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • leatherback turtle (<i>Dermochelys coriacea</i>) 	1970	E	final	final
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • loggerhead turtle (9 listed DPSs) (<i>Caretta caretta</i>) original listing - 1978 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Northwest Atlantic Ocean ○ South Atlantic Ocean ○ Southeast Indo-Pacific Ocean ○ Southwest Indian Ocean ○ Northeast Atlantic Ocean ○ Mediterranean Sea ○ North Indian Ocean ○ North Pacific Ocean ○ South Pacific Ocean 	2011	T	final	final
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ South Pacific Ocean 	2011	T		final
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ South Atlantic Ocean 	2011	T		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Southeast Indo-Pacific Ocean 	2011	T		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Southwest Indian Ocean 	2011	T		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Northeast Atlantic Ocean 	2011	E		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mediterranean Sea 	2011	E		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ North Indian Ocean 	2011	E		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ North Pacific Ocean 	2011	E		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Northwest Atlantic Ocean 	2011	E		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • olive ridley turtle (2 listed populations^{**}) (<i>Lepidochelys olivacea</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mexico's Pacific coast breeding colonies ○ all other areas 	1978	E	n/a	final
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ all other areas 	1978	T	n/a	final

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** These populations were listed before the 1978 ESA amendments that restricted population listings to "distinct population segments of vertebrate species."

List of Fish Species under NMFS' Jurisdiction

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Marine and Anadromous Fish (44 listed ["species"](#))

Species	Year Listed	Status	Critical Habitat*	Recovery Plan*										
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atlantic salmon (1 listed DPS) <i>(Salmo salar)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gulf of Maine <table border="0"> <tr> <td></td> <td>2009*</td> <td>E</td> <td>final</td> <td>final</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>original listing -</i></td> <td>2000</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> 		2009*	E	final	final	<i>original listing -</i>	2000							
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<i>original listing -</i>	2000													
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> atlantic sturgeon (5 DPSs) <i>(Acipenser oxyrinchus oxyrinchus)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gulf of Maine New York Bight Chesapeake Bay Carolina South Atlantic 														
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> bocaccio (1 listed DPS) <i>(Sebastes paucispinis)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Puget Sound/ Georgia Basin 														
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> canary rockfish (1 listed DPS) <i>(Sebastes pinniger)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Puget Sound/ Georgia Basin 														
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chinook salmon (9 listed ESUs) <i>(Oncorhynchus tshawytscha)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> California coastal Central Valley spring-run Lower Columbia River Upper Columbia River spring-run Puget Sound Sacramento River winter-run Snake River fall-run Snake River spring/ summer-run Upper Willamette River 														
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> chum salmon (2 listed ESUs) 														

(*Oncorhynchus keta*)

- [Columbia River](#) 1999** T [final](#) [in process](#)
- [Hood Canal summer-run](#) 1999** T [final](#) [final](#)

- [coho salmon](#) (4 listed ESUs)
(*Oncorhynchus kisutch*)

- [Central California coast](#) 2005** E [final](#) [in process](#)
- *original listing -* 1996** T
- [Lower Columbia River](#) 2005** T not yet proposed [in process](#)
- [Oregon coast](#) 2008 T [final](#) no
- [Southern Oregon & Northern California coasts](#) 1997** T [final](#) [in process](#)

- [green sturgeon](#) (1 listed DPS)
(*Acipenser medirostris*)

- southern DPS 2006 T [final](#) in process

- [Gulf sturgeon](#) 1991 T [final](#) [final](#)
(*Acipenser oxyrinchus desotoi*)

- [Largetooth sawfish](#) 2011 E no no
(*Pristis perotteti*)

- [Pacific eulachon/ smelt](#)
(*Thaleichthys pacificus*)

- southern DPS 2010 T [final](#) no

- [shortnose sturgeon](#) 1967 E n/a [final](#)
(*Acipenser brevirostrum*)

- [sockeye salmon](#) (2 listed ESUs)
(*Oncorhynchus nerka*)

- [Ozette Lake](#) 1999** T [final](#) [final](#)
- [Snake River](#) 1991** E [final](#) [in process](#)

- [smalltooth sawfish](#) (1 listed DPS)
(*Pristis pectinata*)

- U.S. portion of range 2003 E [final](#) [final](#)

- [steelhead trout](#) (11 listed DPSs)
(*Oncorhynchus mykiss*)

- [Puget Sound](#) 2007 T in process no
- [Central California coast](#) 1997** T [final](#) [in process](#)
- [Snake River Basin](#) 1997** T [final](#) [in process](#)

o Upper Columbia River	2009***	T	final	final
<i>original listing -</i>	1997**	E		
<i>change in status -</i>	2006**	T		
<i>court reinstated status -</i>	2007***	E		
*** reinstated to endangered status per U.S. District Court decision in June 2007; reclassified to threatened [pdf] per U.S. District Court order in June 2009				
o Southern California	1997**	E	final	draft
o Middle Columbia River	1999**	T	final	final
o Lower Columbia River	1998**	T	final	in process
o Upper Willamette River	1999**	T	final	in process
o Northern California	2000**	T	final	in process
o South-Central California coast	1997**	T	final	in process
o California Central Valley	1998**	T	final	draft
• totoaba (<i>Totoaba macdonaldi</i>)	1979	E (F)	n/a	n/a
• yelloweye rockfish (1 listed DPS) (<i>Sebastes ruberrimus</i>)				
o Puget Sound/ Georgia Basin	2010	T	no	no

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** All Pacific salmonid listings were revisited in 2005 and 2006. Only the salmonids whose status changed as a result of the review will show the revised date; for all others, only the original listing date is shown. For more information on the listing history, please click on the link for each ESU/DPS.

List of Invertebrate and Plant Species under NMFS' Jurisdiction

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Marine Invertebrates (4 listed "[species](#)")

Species	Year Listed	Status	Critical Habitat*	Recovery Plan*
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> black abalone (<i>Haliotis cracherodii</i>) 	2009	E	final	no
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> elkhorn coral (<i>Acropora palmata</i>) 	2006	T	final	in process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> staghorn coral (<i>Acropora cervicornis</i>) 	2006	T	final	in process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> white abalone (<i>Haliotis sorenseni</i>) 	2001	E	not prudent [pdf]	final

Marine Plants (1 listed "[species](#)")

Species	Year Listed	Status	Critical Habitat*	Recovery Plan*
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Johnson's seagrass (<i>Halophila johnsonii</i>) 	1999	T	final	final

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List of Candidate, Proposed, and Delisted Species under NMFS' Jurisdiction

Candidates for Listing (95 candidate "[species](#)")

Species	Year	Federal Register notice
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • alewife (<i>Alosa pseudoharengus</i>) 	2011	76 FR 67652 [pdf]
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • blueback herring (<i>Alosa aestivalis</i>) 	2011	76 FR 67652 [pdf]
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • bumphead parrotfish (<i>Bolbometopon muricatum</i>) 	2010	75 FR 16713 [pdf]
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chinook salmon (1 candidate ESU) (<i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Upper Klamath and Trinity Rivers Basin ESU 	2011	76 FR 20302 [pdf]
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 82 coral species (various species) 	2010	75 FR 6616 [pdf]
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cusk (<i>Brosme brosme</i>) 	2007	72 FR 10710 [pdf]
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • dwarf seahorse (<i>Hippocampus zosterae</i>) 	2012	77 FR 26478 [pdf]
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pacific herring (1 candidate DPS) (<i>Clupea pallasii</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Southeast Alaska 	2008	73 FR 19824 [pdf]
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sawfish (5 candidate species) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Anoxypristis cuspidata</i> ○ <i>Pristis clavata</i> ○ <i>Pristis microdon</i> ○ <i>Pristis zijsron</i> ○ <i>Pristis pectinata</i> (for non-ESA-listed population(s)) 	2011	76 FR 12308 [pdf]
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • scalloped hammerhead shark (<i>Sphyrna lewini</i>) 	2011	76 FR 72891 [pdf]

Proposed for Listing (7 proposed "[species](#)")

Species	Year Proposed	Status
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • bearded seal (2 proposed DPSs) (<i>Erignathus barbatus</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Beringia ○ Okhotsk 	2010	proposed threatened [pdf]
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • false killer whale (1 candidate DPS) (<i>Pseudorca crassidens</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Insular Hawaiian 	2010	proposed endangered [pdf]

- [ringed seal](#) (4 proposed subspecies) 2010 [proposed threatened](#) [pdf]
(*Phoca hispida*)
 - Arctic
(*Phoca hispida hispida*)
 - Okhotsk
(*Phoca hispida ochotensis*)
 - Baltic
(*Phoca hispida botnica*)
 - Ladoga
(*Phoca hispida ladogensis*)

Proposed for Delisting (1 proposed delisted "[species](#)")

Species	Year Delisting Proposed	Year Listed	Status
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steller sea lion (1 proposed delisted DPS) (<i>Eumetopias jubatus</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Eastern *You can comment on the proposed delisting of Eastern DPS, through 06/18/2012. 	2012	1990	proposed delisting (recovered) [pdf]

Delisted Species (2 delisted "[species](#)")

Species	Year Delisted	Year Listed	Status
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caribbean monk seal (<i>Monachus tropicalis</i>) 	2008	1967	extinct [pdf]
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • gray whale (1 delisted DPS) (<i>Eschrichtius robustus</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Eastern North Pacific 	1994	1970	recovered [pdf]; remains protected under MMPA