

COMIDA – Flight 228 – 8 September 2009

Area flown: coastal transect, partial

Total hours flown: 1.3

Total transect hours: 0

Number of bowheads seen: 0 (0 calves)

Weather and visibility: Ceiling and visibility conditions were acceptable. However, sea state increased to a Beaufort 6, and the survey was aborted prior to beginning the targeted transect heading offshore.

Sightings: Walrus and commercial vessels (tug and barge).

Comment: Computer problems during transit to first transect waypoint prevented data collection during the first half of the flight. Problems were resolved in time to collect data during coastal transect back to Barrow. As a result, the summary table below does not include the kilometers on deadhead for the first half of the flight or the total kilometers flown. All of the times and durations listed in the table are correct.

Bowhead Preliminary Summary, Flight 228 Date: 9/8/2009

Total bowheads: 0	Start time: 9/8/2009 12:25 PM	End time: 9/8/2009 1:45:22 PM
Bowhead sightings: 0	Transect minutes: 39	Transect km: 113.4
Bowheads on transect: 0	Circling minutes: 0	Circling km: 0
Bowhead Cow-calf pairs: 0	Trans+Circ minutes: 39	Trans+Circ km: 113.4
Bowhead Cow-calf Pairs on transect: 0	Search minutes: 11	Search km: 2.1
Bowhead repeats: 0	Total minutes: 80	Total km: unknown
Possible repeats: 0	Deadhead minutes: 41	Deadhead km: unknown
Total gray whales: 0	Search blocks: 13, 12	
Total belugas: 0	Transect blocks: 13, 12	
Other whale sightings: 0		
Total walrus: 1		
Total bear: 0		

Flightlines by Sea State

- B0 - B2
- B3, B4
- B5, B6
- B7 - B12
- n/a

 Cetacean Sightings - Labeled by sighting number as shown on Summary Table

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