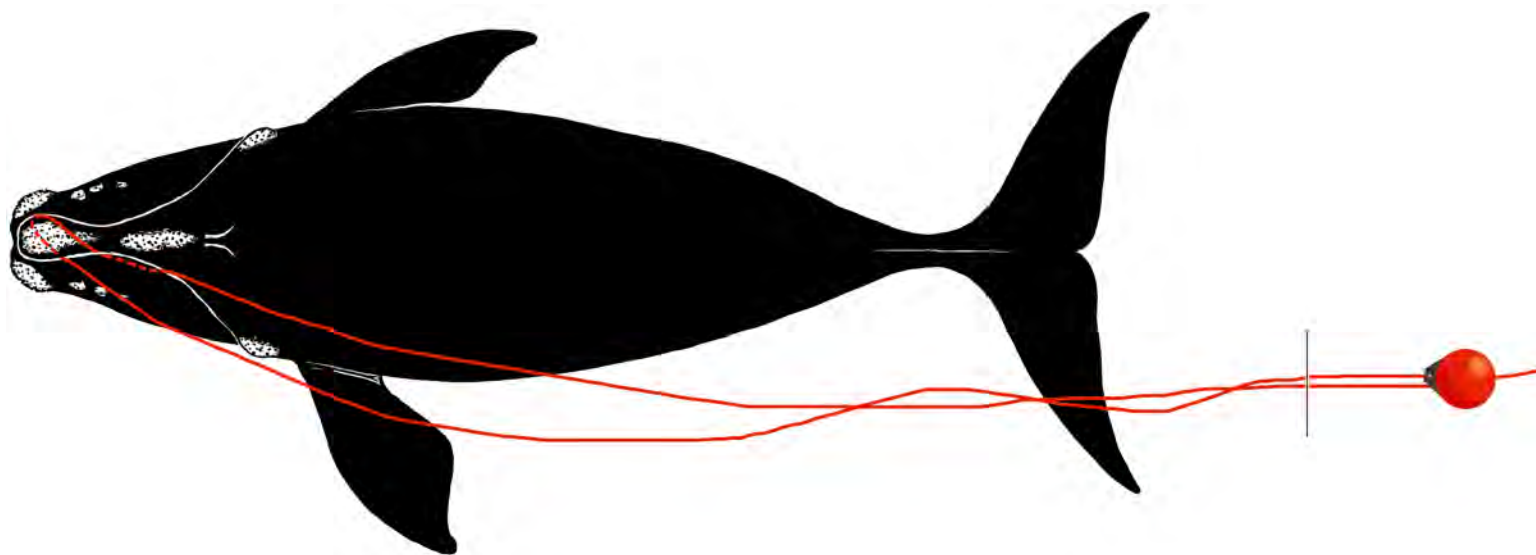


Species	Right Whale	Whale ID	Eg #1427
----------------	--------------------	-----------------	-----------------

Date first observed entangled (date seen prior without gear)		12 Jul 2002 (08 May 2002)			
Sex	Male	Birth year	1984	Age at entanglement	18

Case study ID	PCCS	NMFS	GEAR ID
	WR-2002-14	E17-02	J071202
Gear sample collected?	Yes	Gear type	Unknown



Reproductive prior to/after entanglement detection?					
Entanglement injury severity		Moderate			
Entanglement configuration risk		High			
Wound severity	Mouth	Head/ Rostrum	Flippers	Body	Flukes
	Medium	Medium	Unknown	Low	Medium
Duration of time carrying gear		Minimum 9 days, maximum 485 days			
Disentangled?		No -Gear shed			
Status		Alive - Last sighted in 2014			
Number of prior entanglement interactions		4			

Entanglement configuration	Line caught in mouthline, far forward on the head and leading to ~150ft of trailing line and balloon buoy.
Anchoring point(s)	Mouthline
Gear configuration confidence	High
Remaining questions	Flippers do not appear to have been involved but not possible to verify.
Comments	Whale was tagged for possible disentanglement but this was removed by recreational boater; whale seen months later gear-free.

Polymer type	Polysteel	
Gear component	Vertical line	
Rope diameter (inches)	5/8 (0.630)	
Breaking strength (lbs)	Tested	7 241
	New	9 000



12 Jul 2002 PCCS



15 Jul 2002 PCCS



16 Jul 2002 NMFS

DATA SHEET

FORENSIC ANALYSIS OF ROPES WHALE ENTANGLEMENT PROJECT

SPECIMEN ID NO.

J071202

NMFS NO.

E17-02

Gear Description:

3 coils of $\frac{5}{8}$ inch polysteel 3-strand: coils of 50, 100 and 118 feet.

No photo

No information on origin.

Rope description:

$\frac{5}{8}$ inch pale blue Polysteel 3-strand.

Tested (T) or adjusted (A) strength	Typical new strength	Rope condition
7,241 lbs (T)	9,000 lbs	Good

