Project Update: January 2005

Laboratory analysis

We are now analyzing the recordings from this field season. We compare the calls of killer whale groups with the catalogue and thus define the call type repertoire for each group. When we will have the repertoires of all groups in the region, we will be able to define pod and population structure.

Website

We put on our web-site http://www.russianorca.narod.ru/indexeng.htm some video fragments with killer whales in the wild and killer whale capturing. We continue to put the information on the situation with orca capturing in Russia and its possible consequences.

Paper preparation

We prepare the scientific paper "Keys for the status of killer whales in Eastern Kamchatka, Russia: foraging ecology and acoustic behaviour" for the journal "Biosphere conservation".