

Project Update: August 2013

Between July 31st and August 31st 2013 we completed 15 boat trips totalling 100 hours and 868 km. A total of 52 groups and 128 whales were observed. Sightings included 10 mother and calf pairs, six of them with escort(s). Six groups were identified as competitive groups. Group size ranged from one to seven whales, with an average of two animals. Acoustic recordings now add to 7 h 58 min. Presumed feeding was observed once but no photographs could be taken. We have taken local kids and guides with us during boat trips, in order to promote environmental awareness about cetaceans. We have distributed fliers to tourists and boat operators about responsible whale watching. As part of the environmental education activities in Coquí, we are working in association with the locals to prepare for the Migration Festival. In Joví and Termales classes were completed and a field practice with the touristic operators is programmed.



