

USER SPREADSHEET INTRODUCTION

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Companion* User Spreadsheet to:

National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS): 2018 Revision to: Technical Guidance For Assessing the Effects of Anthropogenic Noise on Marine Mammal Hearing: Underwater Thresholds for Onset of Permanent and Temporary Threshold Shifts (Version 2.0)

[2018 Revised Technical Guidance web page](#)

*For more information on the optional methodology provided within this User Spreadsheet, see Appendix D of Technical Guidance (2018)

DISCLAIMER: NMFS has provided this spreadsheet as an optional tool to provide estimated effect distances (i.e., isopleths) where PTS onset thresholds may be exceeded. Results provided by this spreadsheet do not represent the entirety of the comprehensive effects analysis, but rather serve as one tool to help evaluate the effects of a proposed action on marine mammal hearing and make findings required by NOAA's various statutes. Input values are the responsibility of the individual user.

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INSTRUCTIONS

STEP 1: Determine what spreadsheet is appropriate for activity

HOW TO DETERMINE WHICH TAB TO USE

1) Is the sound source **NON-IMPULSIVE** or **IMPULSIVE**? (If it is unclear which category describes your source, consult NOAA)

- a) **NON-IMPULSIVE** (e.g., drilling, vibratory pile driving, tactical sonar): Go to Question 2
- b) **IMPULSIVE** (e.g., explosives, impact pile driving, seismic): Go to Question 5

2) Is the **NON-IMPULSIVE** sound source **STATIONARY** or **MOBILE**?

- a) **STATIONARY**: Go to Question 3
- b) **MOBILE**: Go to Question 4

3) Is the **NON-IMPULSIVE, STATIONARY** source **CONTINUOUS** or **INTERMITTENT**?

- a) **CONTINUOUS**: Use Tab A*
- *If source is vibratory pile driving: Use Tab A.1
- b) **INTERMITTENT**: Use Tab B

RED
BRICK
YELLOW

*A key distinction between continuous and intermittent sound sources is that intermittent sounds have a more regular (predictable) pattern of bursts of sounds and silent periods (i.e., duty cycle), which continuous sounds do not.

4) Is the **NON-IMPULSIVE, MOBILE** source **CONTINUOUS** or **INTERMITTENT**?

- a) **CONTINUOUS**: Use Tab C ("safe distance" methodology from Sivle et al. 2014)
- b) **INTERMITTENT**: Use Tab D ("safe distance" methodology from Sivle et al. 2014)

BLUE
ORANGE

5) Is the **IMPULSIVE** sound source **STATIONARY** or **MOBILE**?

- a) **STATIONARY**: Use Tab E*
- *If source is impact pile driving: Use Tab E.1
- b) **MOBILE**: Use Tab F ("safe distance" methodology from Sivle et al. 2014)

GREEN
EVERGREEN
PURPLE

STEP 2: Within the appropriate tab, fill-in:

SAGE CELLS specific to the activity

- a) Please provide information used to support values in provided in sage boxes (e.g., surrogate data, direct measurements, etc.)
- b) If information is unavailable to fill-out one or more of the sage boxes, please consult NMFS

STEP 3: Estimated PTS isopleths (meter) will be provided in:

SKY BLUE CELLS by marine mammal hearing group

STEP 4: When using this spreadsheet to estimate marine mammal takes, please provide a copy of completed tab used to estimate isopleths

ASSUMPTIONS & ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1) Marine mammals remain stationary during activity

2) Currently, recovery between intermittent sounds is not considered regardless of time between sounds (i.e., all sounds within the accumulation period are counted)

Suggested (Default*) Weighting Factor Adjustments (WFA) for Broadband Sources:

Source	WFA	Example Supporting Sources
Seismic airguns	1 kHz	Bretzke et al. 2008; Tashmukhambetov et al. 2008; Tolstoy et al. 2009
Impact pile driving hammers	2 kHz	Blackwell 2005; Reinhall and Dahl 2011
Vibratory pile driving hammers	2.5 kHz	Blackwell 2005; Dahl et al. 2015
Drill vessels/platforms	2 kHz	Greene 1987; Blackwell et al. 2004; Blackwell and Greene 2006

Marine Mammal Hearing Group	
Low-frequency (LF) cetaceans:	baleen whales
Mid-frequency (MF) cetaceans:	dolphins, toothed whales, beaked whales, humpback whales
High-frequency (HF) cetaceans:	porpoises, Kogia, river dolphins, cephalopod, <i>Logorhynchus cruegeri</i> & <i>L. australis</i>
Phocid pinnipeds (PW):	true seals
Otarid pinnipeds (OW):	sea lions and fur seals

* NMFS acknowledges default WFAs are likely conservative

Literature

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UPDATES (will be posted when change results in the need to recalculate an isopleth; other non-substantive changes may be made periodically but will not result in a version number change)

Original Version	Updated Version	Change	Date posted
1.0	1.1	Sheet A: error with formula for phocid pinniped	Aug. 22, 2016
1.1	2.0	Corresponds to 2.0 version of Revised Technical Guidance (2018). Added sheet specific to vibratory pile driving and explosives and added capabilities to calculate peak sound pressure level isopleths for impulsive sources	July 2018
2.0	2.1	Updated version based on comments from 2018 public comment period.	March 2020

A: STATIONARY SOURCE: Non-Impulsive, Continuous

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KEY						
	Action Proponent	Provided	Information			
	NMFS Provided Information (Technical Guidance)					
	Resultant Isoleth					

STEP 1: GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

PROJECT TITLE						
PROJECT/SOURCE INFORMATION						
Please include any assumptions						
PROJECT CONTACT						

STEP 2: WEIGHTING FACTOR ADJUSTMENT

Weighting Factor Adjustment (kHz)*						
* Broadband: 95% frequency contour percentile (kHz) OR Narrowband: frequency (kHz); For appropriate default WFA: See INTRODUCTION tab		† If a user relies on alternative weighting/dB adjustment rather than relying upon the WFA (source-specific or default), they may override the Adjustment (dB) (row 47), and enter the new value directly. However, they must provide additional support and documentation supporting this modification.				

STEP 3: SOURCE-SPECIFIC INFORMATION

Source Level (L_{rms})						
Duration of Sound Production (hours) within 24-h period						
Duration of Sound Production (seconds)	0					
10 Log (duration of sound production)	#NUM!					
Propagation loss						
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RESULTANT ISOPLETHS

Hearing Group	Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Otariid Pinnipeds
SEL _{cum} Threshold	199	168	173	201	219
PTS Isoleth to threshold (meters)	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!

WEIGHTING FUNCTION CALCULATIONS

Weighting Function Parameters	Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Otariid Pinnipeds
a	1	1.6	1.8	1	2
b	2	2	2	2	2
f ₁	0.2	8.8	12	1.9	0.94
f ₂	19	110	140	30	25
C	0.13	1.2	1.36	0.75	0.64
Adjustment (-dB)†	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!

$$W(f) = C + 10 \log_{10} \left\{ \frac{(f/f_1)^{2a}}{[1 + (f/f_1)^2]^a [1 + (f/f_2)^2]^b} \right\}$$

A.1: Vibratory Pile Driving (STATIONARY SOURCE: Non-Impulsive, Continuous)

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STEP 1: GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

PROJECT TITLE						
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PROJECT CONTACT						

Specify if relying on source-specific WFA, alternative weighting/dB adjustment, or if using default value

STEP 2: WEIGHTING FACTOR ADJUSTMENT

Weighting Factor Adjustment (kHz) [‡]						
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[‡] Broadband: 95% frequency contour percentile (kHz) OR Narrowband: frequency (kHz); For appropriate default WFA: See INTRODUCTION tab

[†] If a user relies on alternative weighting/dB adjustment rather than relying upon the WFA (source-specific or default), they may override the Adjustment (dB) (row 48), and enter the new value directly. However, they must provide additional support and documentation supporting this modification.

STEP 3: SOURCE-SPECIFIC INFORMATION

Sound Pressure Level (L_{rms}), specified at "x" meters (Cell B30)						
Number of piles within 24-h period						
Duration to drive a single pile (minutes)						
Duration of Sound Production within 24-h period (seconds)	0					
10 Log (duration of sound production)	#NUM!					
Transmission loss						
Distance of sound pressure level measurement (meters)						

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RESULTANT ISOPLETHS

Hearing Group	Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Otariid Pinnipeds
SEL _{cum} Threshold	199	198	173	201	219
PTS isopleth to threshold (meters)	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!

WEIGHTING FUNCTION CALCULATIONS

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C	0.13	1.2	1.36	0.75	0.64
Adjustment (-dB) [†]	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!

$$W(f) = C + 10 \log_{10} \left\{ \frac{(f/f_1)^{2a}}{[1 + (f/f_1)^2]^a [1 + (f/f_2)^2]^b} \right\}$$

B: STATIONARY SOURCE: Non-Impulsive, Intermittent						
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		Resultant isopleth				
STEP 1: GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION						
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STEP 2: WEIGHTING FACTOR ADJUSTMENT						
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STEP 3: SOURCE-SPECIFIC INFORMATION						
NOTE: Choose either B1 OR B2 method to calculate isopleths (not required to fill in sage boxes for both)						
B1: METHOD USING RMS SPL SOURCE LEVEL						
Source Level (L_{rms})						
Activity Duration (hours) within 24-h period						
Pulse duration (seconds)						
1/Repetition rate (seconds)						
Duty cycle		#DIV/0!				
Duration of Sound Production (seconds)		#DIV/0!				
10 Log (duration of sound production)		#DIV/0!				
Propagation loss						
*Time between onset of successive pulses.						
RESULTANT ISOPLETHS						
Hearing Group		Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Otariid Pinnipeds
SEL _{cum} Threshold		199	198	173	201	219
PTS Isopleth to threshold (meters)		#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!
B2: ALTERNATIVE METHOD (SINGLE PING/PULSE EQUIVALENT)						
Source Level ($L_{e,p}$, single ping/pulse)						
Activity Duration (hours) within 24-h period						
Number pulses in 1-h period						
Number of pulses in 24-h		0				
10 Log (number of pulses)		#NUM!				
Propagation loss						
RESULTANT ISOPLETHS						
Hearing Group		Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Otariid Pinnipeds
SEL _{cum} Threshold		199	198	173	201	219
PTS Isopleth to threshold (meters)		#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!
WEIGHTING FUNCTION CALCULATIONS						
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Adjustment (-dB) [†]		#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!
$W(f) = C + 10 \log_{10} \left\{ \frac{(f/f_1)^{2a}}{[1 + (f/f_1)^2]^a [1 + (f/f_2)^2]^b} \right\}$						

C: MOBILE SOURCE: Non-Impulsive, Continuous ("SAFE DISTANCE" METHODOLOGY)

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STEP 1: GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

PROJECT TITLE						
PROJECT/SOURCE INFORMATION						
Please include any assumptions						
PROJECT CONTACT						

STEP 2: WEIGHTING FACTOR ADJUSTMENT

Weighting Factor Adjustment (kHz) [‡]						
[‡] Broadband: 95% frequency contour percentile (kHz) OR Narrowband: frequency (kHz); For appropriate default WFA: See INTRODUCTION tab		[†] If a user relies on alternative weighting/dB adjustment rather than relying upon the WFA (source-specific or default), they may override the Adjustment (dB) (row 45), and enter the new value directly. However, they must provide additional support and documentation supporting this modification.				

STEP 3: SOURCE-SPECIFIC INFORMATION[†]

Source Level (L_{rms})		NOTE: The User Spreadsheet tool provides a means to estimate distances associated with the Technical Guidance's PTS onset thresholds. Mitigation and monitoring requirements associated with a Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) authorization or an Endangered Species Act (ESA) consultation or permit are independent management decisions made in the context of the proposed activity and comprehensive effects analysis, and are beyond the scope of the Technical Guidance and the User Spreadsheet tool.
Source Velocity (meters/second)		
Duty cycle	1	
Source Factor	1	
[‡] Methodology assumes propagation loss of 20 log R; Activity duration (time) independent		

RESULTANT ISOPLETHS

Hearing Group	Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Otariid Pinnipeds
SEL _{cum} Threshold	199	198	173	201	219
PTS Isoleth to threshold (meters)	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!

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f ₂	19	110	140	30	25
C	0.13	1.2	1.36	0.75	0.64
Adjustment (-dB) [†]	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!

$$W(f) = C + 10 \log_{10} \left\{ \frac{(f / f_1)^{2a}}{[1 + (f / f_1)^2]^a [1 + (f / f_2)^2]^b} \right\}$$

D: MOBILE SOURCE: Non-Impulsive, Intermittent ("SAFE DISTANCE" METHODOLOGY)

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STEP 1: GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

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PROJECT/SOURCE INFORMATION									
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PROJECT CONTACT									

Specify if relying on source-specific WFA, alternative weighting/dB adjustment, or if using default value

STEP 2: WEIGHTING FACTOR ADJUSTMENT

Weighting Factor Adjustment (kHz) [†]									
[†] Broadband: 95% frequency contour percentile (kHz) OR Narrowband: frequency (kHz). For appropriate default WFA: See INTRODUCTION tab									

STEP 3: SOURCE-SPECIFIC INFORMATION

NOTE: Choose either D1 OR D2 method to calculate isopleths (not required to fill in sage boxes for both)

D1: METHOD[†] USING RMS SPL SOURCE LEVEL

Source Level (L_{rms})									
Source Velocity (meters/second)									
Pulse Duration (seconds)									
1/Repetition rate [‡] (seconds)									
Duty Cycle	#DIV/0!								
Source Factor	#DIV/0!								
[†] Methodology assumes propagation loss of 20 log R; Activity duration (time) independent									
[‡] Time between onset of successive pulses.									
RESULTANT ISOPLETHS									
Hearing Group	Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Otariid Pinnipeds				
SEL _{cum} Threshold	199	198	173	201	219				
PTS Isoleth to threshold (meters)	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!				

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D2: ALTERNATIVE METHOD[†] (SINGLE PING/PULSE EQUIVALENT)

Source Level ($L_{e,p}$, single ping/pulse)									
Source Velocity (meters/second)									
1/Repetition rate [‡] (seconds)									
Source Factor	#DIV/0!								
[†] Methodology assumes propagation loss of 20 log R; Activity duration (time) independent									
[‡] Time between onset of successive pulses.									
RESULTANT ISOPLETHS									
Hearing Group	Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Otariid Pinnipeds				
SEL _{cum} Threshold	199	198	173	201	219				
PTS Isoleth to threshold (meters)	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!				

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WEIGHTING FUNCTION CALCULATIONS

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Adjustment (-dB) [†]	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!

$$W(f) = C + 10 \log_{10} \left\{ \frac{f/f_1}{1 + (f/f_1)^2} \right\}^{2a} \left\{ \frac{f_2/f}{1 + (f_2/f)^2} \right\}^{2b}$$

E: STATIONARY SOURCE: Impulsive, Intermittent						
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KEY						
Action Proponent Provided Information						
NMFS Provided Information (Technical Guidance)						
Resultant Isoleth						
STEP 1: GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION						
PROJECT TITLE						
PROJECT/SOURCE INFORMATION						
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PROJECT CONTACT						
Specify if relying on source-specific WFA, alternative weighting/dB adjustment, or if using default value						
STEP 2: WEIGHTING FACTOR ADJUSTMENT						
Weighting Factor Adjustment (kHz) [†]						
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STEP 3: SOURCE-SPECIFIC INFORMATION						
NOTE: Choose either E1 OR E2 method to calculate isopleths (not required to fill in sage boxes for both)						
E1: METHOD TO CALCULATE PK AND SEL _{cum} (USING RMS SPL SOURCE LEVEL)						
SEL _{cum}						
Source Level (L _{rms})						
Activity Duration (hours) within 24-h period						
Pulse Duration ² (seconds)						
1/Repetition rate ² (seconds)						
Duty cycle						
#DIV/0!						
Duration of Sound Production (seconds)						
#DIV/0!						
10 Log (duration of sound production)						
#DIV/0!						
Propagation loss						
*Window that makes up 90% of total cumulative energy (5%-95%) based on Madsen 2005						
Time between onset of successive pulses						
PK						
Source Level (L _{p,0.5s})						
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RESULTANT ISOPLETHS*						
*Impulsive sounds have dual metric thresholds (SEL _{cum} & PK). Metric producing largest isopleth should be used.						
Hearing Group						
Low-Frequency Cetaceans						
Mid-Frequency Cetaceans						
High-Frequency Cetaceans						
Phocid Pinnipeds						
Otarid Pinnipeds						
SEL _{cum} Threshold						
183						
185						
155						
185						
203						
PTS SEL _{cum} isopleth to threshold (meters)						
#NUM!						
#NUM!						
#NUM!						
#NUM!						
#NUM!						
PK Threshold						
219						
230						
202						
218						
232						
PTS PK isopleth to threshold (meters)						
NA						
NA						
NA						
NA						
NA						
E2: ALTERNATIVE METHOD TO CALCULATE PK AND SEL _{cum} (SHOT/PULSE EQUIVALENT)						
SEL _{cum}						
Source Level (L _{r,0.5s,shot/pulse})						
Activity Duration (hours) within 24-h period						
Number of pulses in 1-h period						
Propagation loss						
Number of pulses in 24-h period						
10 log (number of pulses)						
#NUM!						
PK						
Source Level (L _{p,0.5s})						
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Mid-Frequency Cetaceans						
High-Frequency Cetaceans						
Phocid Pinnipeds						
Otarid Pinnipeds						
SEL _{cum} Threshold						
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203						
PTS isopleth to threshold (meters)						
#NUM!						
#NUM!						
#NUM!						
#NUM!						
#NUM!						
PK Threshold						
219						
230						
202						
218						
232						
PTS PK isopleth to threshold (meters)						
NA						
NA						
NA						
NA						
NA						
WEIGHTING FUNCTION CALCULATIONS						
Weighting Function Parameters						
Low-Frequency Cetaceans						
Mid-Frequency Cetaceans						
High-Frequency Cetaceans						
Phocid Pinnipeds						
Otarid Pinnipeds						
a						
1						
1.6						
1.8						
1						
2						
b						
2						
2						
2						
2						
f ₁						
0.2						
8.8						
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1.9						
0.94						
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0.13						
1.2						
1.36						
0.75						
0.64						
Adjustment (-dB)†						
#NUM!						
#NUM!						
#NUM!						
#NUM!						
#NUM!						
$W(f) = C + 10 \log_{10} \left\{ \frac{(f/f_1)^{2a}}{[1 + (f/f_1)^2]^a [1 + (f/f_2)^2]^b} \right\}$						

E.1: IMPACT PILE DRIVING (STATIONARY SOURCE: Impulsive, Intermittent)						
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KEY						
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NMFS Provided Information (Technical Guidance)						
Resultant Isoleth						
STEP 1: GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION						
PROJECT TITLE						
PROJECT/SOURCE INFORMATION						
Please include any assumptions						
PROJECT CONTACT						
STEP 2: WEIGHTING FACTOR ADJUSTMENT						
Weighting Factor Adjustment (kHz) ^a						
<p>^a Broadband: 95% frequency contour percentile (kHz). For appropriate default WFA: See INTRODUCTION tab</p> <p>^b If a user relies on alternative weighting/dB adjustment rather than relying upon the WFA (source-specific or default), they may override the Adjustment (dB) row (S), and enter the new value directly. However, they must provide additional support and documentation supporting this modification.</p>						
STEP 3: SOURCE-SPECIFIC INFORMATION						
NOTE: Choose either E1-1 OR E.1-2 method to calculate isopleths (not required to fill in sage boxes for both)						
E.1-1: METHOD TO CALCULATE PK AND SEL _{cum} (USING RMS SPL SOURCE LEVEL)						
SEL _{cum}						PK
Sound Pressure Level (L _{rms}), specified at "x" meters (Cell B35)						L _{r,p,PK} specified at "x" meters (Cell G29)
Number of piles per day						Distance of L _{r,p,PK} measurement (meters)
Strike (pulse) Duration ^b (seconds)						L _{r,p,PK} Source level
Number of strikes per pile						#NUM!
Duration of Sound Production (seconds)	0					
10 Log (duration of sound production)	#NUM!					
Transmission loss						
Distance of sound pressure level measurement (meters)						
^c Window that makes up 90% of total cumulative energy (5%-95%) based on Madsen 2005						
<p>NOTE: The User Spreadsheet tool provides a means to estimate distances associated with the Technical Guidance's PTS onset thresholds. Mitigation and monitoring requirements associated with a Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) authorization or an Endangered Species Act (ESA) consultation or permit are independent management decisions made in the context of the proposed activity and comprehensive effects analysis, and are beyond the scope of the Technical Guidance and the User Spreadsheet tool.</p>						
RESULTANT ISOPLETHS ^a						
*Impulsive sounds have dual metric thresholds (SEL _{cum} & PK). Metric producing largest isopleth should be used.						
	Hearing Group	Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Otariid Pinnipeds
	SEL _{cum} Threshold	183	160	155	185	203
	PTS isopleth to threshold (meters)	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!
	PK Threshold	219	214	202	218	232
	PTS PK isopleth to threshold (meters)	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!
*NA: PK source level is \leq to the threshold for that marine mammal hearing group.						
E.1-2: ALTERNATIVE METHOD TO CALCULATE PK AND SEL _{cum} (SINGLE STRIKE EQUIVALENT)						
Unweighted SEL _{cum} (at measured distance) = SEL _{LS} + 10 Log (# strikes)						
SEL _{cum}						PK
Single Strike SEL _{LS} (L _{r,p} , single strike) specified at "x" meters (Cell B55)						L _{r,p,PK} specified at "x" meters (Cell G22)
Number of strikes per pile						Distance of L _{r,p,PK} measurement (meters)
Number of piles per day						L _{r,p,PK} Source level
Transmission loss						#NUM!
Distance of single strike SEL _{LS} (L _{r,p} , single strike) measurement (meters)						
RESULTANT ISOPLETHS ^a						
*Impulsive sounds have dual metric thresholds (SEL _{cum} & PK). Metric producing largest isopleth should be used.						
	Hearing Group	Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Otariid Pinnipeds
	SEL _{cum} Threshold	183	185	155	185	203
	PTS isopleth to threshold (meters)	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!
	PK Threshold	219	230	202	218	232
	PTS PK isopleth to threshold (meters)	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!
*NA: PK source level is \leq to the threshold for that marine mammal hearing group.						
WEIGHTING FUNCTION CALCULATIONS						
	Weighting Function Parameters	Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Otariid Pinnipeds
	a	1	1.6	1.8	1	2
	b	2	2	2	2	2
	f ₁	0.2	8.8	12	1.9	0.94
	f ₂	19	110	140	30	25
	C	0.13	1.2	1.36	0.75	0.64
	Adjustment (-dB) ^b	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!
$W(f) = C + 10 \log_{10} \left\{ \frac{(f/f_1)^{2a}}{[1 + (f/f_1)^2]^a [1 + (f/f_2)^2]^b} \right\}$						

F: MOBILE SOURCE: Impulsive, Intermittent ("SAFE DISTANCE" METHODOLOGY)						
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KEY						
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NMFS Provided Information (Technical Guidance)						
Resultant Isoleth						
STEP 1: GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION						
PROJECT TITLE						
PROJECT/SOURCE INFORMATION						
Please include any assumptions						
PROJECT CONTACT						
Specify if relying on source-specific WFA, alternative weighting/dB adjustment, or if using default value						
STEP 2: WEIGHTING FACTOR ADJUSTMENT						
Weighting Factor Adjustment (kHz)*						
* Broadband: 95% frequency contour percentile (kHz). For appropriate default WFA: See INTRODUCTION tab						
† If a user relies on alternative weighting/dB adjustment rather than relying upon the WFA (source-specific or default), they may override the Adjustment (dB) (row 71), and enter the new value directly. However, they must provide additional support and documentation supporting this modification.						
STEP 3: SOURCE-SPECIFIC INFORMATION						
NOTE: Choose either F1 OR F2 method to calculate isopleths (not required to fill in sage boxes for both)						
F1: METHOD ¹ TO CALCULATE PK and SEL _{cum} (USING RMS SPL SOURCE LEVEL)						
SEL _{cum}						PK
Source Level (L _{ms})						Source Level (L _{p,pph})
Source Velocity (meters/second)						
Pulse Duration ² (seconds)						
1/Repetition rate ³ (seconds)						
Duty Cycle	#DIV/0!					
Source Factor	#DIV/0!					
†Methodology assumes propagation loss of 20 log R; Activity duration (time) independent						
‡Window that makes up 90% of total cumulative energy (5%-95%) based on Madsen 2005						
§Time between onset of successive pulses.						
NOTE: The User Spreadsheet tool provides a means to estimate distances associated with the Technical Guidance's PTS onset thresholds. Mitigation and monitoring requirements associated with a Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) authorization or an Endangered Species Act (ESA) consultation or permit are independent management decisions made in the context of the proposed activity and comprehensive effects analysis, and are beyond the scope of the Technical Guidance and the User Spreadsheet tool.						
RESULTANT ISOPLETHS ⁴						
*Impulsive sounds have dual metric thresholds (SEL _{cum} & PK). Metric producing largest isopleth should be used.						
	Hearing Group	Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Otariid Pinnipeds
	SEL _{cum} Threshold	183	185	155	185	203
	PTS SEL _{cum} Isoleth to threshold (meters)	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
	PK Threshold	219	230	202	218	232
†NA: PK source level is ≤ to the threshold for that marine mammal hearing group.	PTS PK Isoleth to threshold (meters)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
F2: ALTERNATIVE METHOD ¹ TO CALCULATE PK and SEL _{cum} (SINGLE SHOT/PULSE EQUIVALENT)						
SEL _{cum}						PK
Source Level (L _{sp, single shot/pulse})						Source Level (L _{p,pph})
Source Velocity (meters/second)						
1/Repetition rate ³ (seconds)						
Source Factor	#DIV/0!					
†Methodology assumes propagation loss of 20 log R; Activity duration (time) independent						
‡Time between onset of successive pulses.						
NOTE: The User Spreadsheet tool provides a means to estimate distances associated with the Technical Guidance's PTS onset thresholds. Mitigation and monitoring requirements associated with a Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) authorization or an Endangered Species Act (ESA) consultation or permit are independent management decisions made in the context of the proposed activity and comprehensive effects analysis, and are beyond the scope of the Technical Guidance and the User Spreadsheet tool.						
RESULTANT ISOPLETHS ⁴						
*Impulsive sounds have dual metric thresholds (SEL _{cum} & PK). Metric producing largest isopleth should be used.						
	Hearing Group	Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Otariid Pinnipeds
	SEL _{cum} Threshold	183	185	155	185	203
	PTS SEL _{cum} Isoleth to threshold (meters)	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
	PK Threshold	219	230	202	218	232
†NA: PK source level is ≤ to the threshold for that marine mammal hearing group.	PTS PK Isoleth to threshold (meters)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
WEIGHTING FUNCTION CALCULATIONS						
	Weighting Function Parameters	Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Otariid Pinnipeds
	a	1	1.6	1.8	1	2
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	Adjustment (-dB)†	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!	#NUM!
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