



## NJ CETACEAN STRANDINGS FROM DECEMBER, 2022 THROUGH PRESENT

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| DATE       | LOCATION                | SPECIES               | AGE/SEX                  | DISPOSITION                                                 | NOTES                                          | PRELIMINARY RESULTS                                                           | FINAL RESULTS |
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| 12/5/2022  | IDEAL BEACH             | SPERM WHALE           | DEPENDENT CALF<br>FEMALE | STRANDED ALIVE,<br>DIED ON SCENE                            | NECROPSY<br>COMPLETED                          | FAT CLOT AROUND THE HEART,<br>FLUID IN LUNGS                                  | PENDING       |
| 12/10/2022 | STRATHMERE              | HUMPBACK WHALE        | SUB-ADULT<br>FEMALE      | STRANDED DEAD                                               | DECOMPOSED -<br>PARTIAL NECROPSY               | LEVEL A DATA AND<br>SAMPLES COLLECTED                                         | PENDING       |
| 12/23/2022 | ATLANTIC CITY           | HUMPBACK WHALE        | SUB-ADULT<br>FEMALE      | STRANDED DEAD                                               | DECOMPOSED -<br>PARTIAL NECROPSY               | LEVEL A DATA AND<br>SAMPLES COLLECTED                                         | PENDING       |
| 12/28/2022 | SANDY HOOK              | BOTTLENOSE<br>DOLPHIN | ADULT<br>MALE            | STRANDED DEAD                                               | HEAVILY DECOMPOSED,<br>BURIED                  | N/A                                                                           | N/A           |
| 1/7/2023   | ATLANTIC CITY           | HUMPBACK WHALE        | SUB-ADULT<br>FEMALE      | STRANDED DEAD                                               | NECROPSY COMPLETED                             | ENTANGLEMENT SCARS, HEMATOMA<br>BEHIND BLOWHOLE, POSSIBLE<br>HI/VESSEL STRIKE | PENDING       |
| 1/12/2023  | BRIGANTINE              | HUMPBACK WHALE        | SUB-ADULT<br>FEMALE      | STRANDED DEAD                                               | NECROPSY COMPLETED                             | HEMATOMA BEHIND BLOWHOLE,<br>POSSIBLE HI/VESSEL STRIKE                        | PENDING       |
| 1/18/2023  | BRIGANTINE              | HUMPBACK WHALE        | UNK.<br>UNK.             | FLOATING DEAD, 45MI<br>OFFSHORE                             | CARCASS NEVER<br>WASHED ASHORE                 | N/A                                                                           | N/A           |
| 1/23/2023  | LONG BEACH TWP          | COMMON DOLPHIN        | ADULT<br>FEMALE          | STRANDED DEAD                                               | SENT TO NJAHD<br>FOR NECROPSY                  | PNEUMONIA, SUSPECTED<br>BACTERIAL INFECTION                                   | PENDING       |
| 1/28/2023  | BRIGANTINE              | HUMPBACK WHALE        | UNK.<br>UNK.             | FLOATING DEAD, 12MI<br>OFFSHORE                             | CARCASS NEVER<br>WASHED ASHORE                 | N/A                                                                           | N/A           |
| 1/29/2023  | IBSP                    | HARBOR PORPOISE       | ADULT<br>UNK.            | STRANDED DEAD                                               | HEAVILY SCAVENGED AND<br>DECOMPOSED, BURIED    | N/A                                                                           | N/A           |
| 2/8/2023   | SEASIDE HEIGHTS         | COMMON DOLPHIN        | ADULT<br>MALE            | STRANDED DEAD                                               | SENT TO NJAHD<br>FOR NECROPSY                  | PENDING                                                                       | PENDING       |
| 2/13/2023  | MOORES BEACH            | COMMON DOLPHIN        | ADULT<br>UNK.            | STRANDED DEAD                                               | TOO DECOMPOSED, LEFT TO<br>BREAKDOWN NATURALLY | N/A                                                                           | N/A           |
| 2/14/2023  | MANASQUAN               | HUMPBACK WHALE        | SUB-ADULT<br>FEMALE      | STRANDED DEAD                                               | NECROPSY COMPLETED                             | BLUNT FORCE TRAUMA INJURIES,<br>SUSPECTED HI/VESSEL STRIKE                    | PENDING       |
| 2/18/2023  | HIGHLANDS               | COMMON DOLPHIN        | ADULT<br>MALE            | STRANDED ALIVE,<br>DIED ON SCENE                            | SENT TO NJAHD<br>FOR NECROPSY                  | PENDING                                                                       | PENDING       |
| 2/18/2023  | HIGHLANDS               | COMMON DOLPHIN        | ADULT<br>MALE            | STRANDED ALIVE,<br>DIED ON SCENE                            | SENT TO NJAHD<br>FOR NECROPSY                  | PENDING                                                                       | PENDING       |
| 2/18/2023  | HIGHLANDS               | COMMON DOLPHIN        | ADULT<br>MALE            | STRANDED ALIVE,<br>DIED ON SCENE                            | SENT TO NJAHD<br>FOR NECROPSY                  | PENDING                                                                       | PENDING       |
| 2/20/2023  | SEA ISLE CITY           | UNK. DOLPHIN          | ADULT<br>FEMALE          | FLOATING DEAD IN BAY                                        | CARCASS NEVER<br>WASHED ASHORE                 | N/A                                                                           | N/A           |
| 2/22/2023  | HARTHORNE<br>WOODS PARK | COMMON DOLPHIN        | ADULT<br>MALE            | STRANDED ALIVE,<br>EUTHANIZED DUE TO<br>POOR BODY CONDITION | SENT TO NJAHD<br>FOR NECROPSY                  | PENDING                                                                       | PENDING       |
| 2/24/2023  | SANDY HOOK              | COMMON DOLPHIN        | ADULT<br>FEMALE          | STRANDED ALIVE,<br>EUTHANIZED DUE TO<br>POOR BODY CONDITION | SENT TO CORNELL FOR<br>NECROPSY                | PENDING                                                                       | PENDING       |
| 2/24/2023  | SANDY HOOK              | COMMON DOLPHIN        | DEPENDENT CALF<br>MALE   | STRANDED ALIVE,<br>DIED ON SCENE                            | SENT TO CORNELL FOR<br>NECROPSY                | PENDING                                                                       | PENDING       |
| DATE       | LOCATION                | SPECIES               | AGE/SEX                  | DISPOSITION                                                 | NOTES                                          | PRELIMINARY RESULTS                                                           | FINAL RESULTS |
| 2/27/2023  | AVALON                  | BOTTLENOSE<br>DOLPHIN | ADULT<br>MALE            | STRANDED DEAD                                               | NECROPSY PERFORMED BY<br>MMSC ON BEACH         | PNEUMONIA AND NECROSIS<br>OF THE LUNGS                                        | PENDING       |

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| 3/2/2023  | SEASIDE PARK      | HUMPBACK WHALE     | SUB-ADULT FEMALE      | STRANDED DEAD                                         | NECROPSY COMPLETED                                     | BLUNT FORCE TRAUMA INJURIES, FRACTURED SKULL, ENTANGLEMENT SCARS, PROP. WOUNDS, SUSPECTED HI/VESSEL STRIKE | PENDING |
| 3/7/2023  | SANDY HOOK        | UNK. DOLPHIN       | ADULT UNK.            | FLOATING DEAD UNDER DOCK                              | TOO DECOMPOSED, LEFT TO BREAKDOWN NATURALLY            | N/A                                                                                                        | N/A     |
| 3/15/2023 | SANDY HOOK BAY    | COMMON DOLPHIN     | DEPENDENT CALF FEMALE | STRANDED ALIVE, EUTHANIZED DUE TO POOR BODY CONDITION | SENT TO NJAHDL FOR NECROPSY                            | PENDING                                                                                                    | PENDING |
| 3/15/2023 | SANDY HOOK BAY    | COMMON DOLPHIN     | ADULT FEMALE          | STRANDED ALIVE, DIED ON SCENE                         | DISPOSED OF BY PARK STAFF DUE TO LACK OF FREEZER SPACE | LEVEL A DATA COLLECTED                                                                                     | N/A     |
| 3/21/2023 | SEA ISLE CITY     | COMMON DOLPHIN     | JUVENILE MALE         | STRANDED ALIVE, DIED BEFORE MMSC ARRIVAL              | SENT TO NJAHDL FOR NECROPSY                            | BILATERAL PULMONARY CONGESTION, PARASITIC GRANULOMAS, HEMORHAGE LEFT LUNG                                  | PENDING |
| 3/21/2023 | SEA ISLE CITY     | COMMON DOLPHIN     | ADULT FEMALE          | STRANDED ALIVE, EUTHANIZED DUE TO POOR BODY CONDITION | SENT TO NJAHDL FOR NECROPSY                            | UNILATERAL PULMONARY CONGESTION, PARASITIC GRANULOMAS                                                      | PENDING |
| 3/21/2023 | SEA ISLE CITY     | COMMON DOLPHIN     | ADULT FEMALE          | STRANDED ALIVE, EUTHANIZED DUE TO POOR BODY CONDITION | SENT TO NJAHDL FOR NECROPSY                            | BILATERAL PULMONARY CONGESTION                                                                             | PENDING |
| 3/21/2023 | SEA ISLE CITY     | COMMON DOLPHIN     | ADULT FEMALE          | STRANDED ALIVE, EUTHANIZED DUE TO POOR BODY CONDITION | SENT TO NJAHDL FOR NECROPSY                            | PARASITES IN ABDOMINAL CAVITY                                                                              | PENDING |
| 3/21/2023 | SEA ISLE CITY     | COMMON DOLPHIN     | JUVENILE MALE         | STRANDED ALIVE, EUTHANIZED DUE TO POOR BODY CONDITION | SENT TO NJAHDL FOR NECROPSY                            | BILATERAL PULMONARY CONGESTION, HYPER-INFLATED LOBULES, STOMACH PARASITES, TWO POX LESIONS                 | PENDING |
| 3/21/2023 | SEA ISLE CITY     | COMMON DOLPHIN     | ADULT FEMALE          | STRANDED ALIVE, EUTHANIZED DUE TO POOR BODY CONDITION | SENT TO NJAHDL FOR NECROPSY                            | BILATERAL PULMONARY CONGESTION, PARASITIC GRANULOMAS, PLUERAL FIBROTIC PLAQUES                             | PENDING |
| 3/21/2023 | SEA ISLE CITY     | COMMON DOLPHIN     | ADULT FEMALE          | STRANDED ALIVE, EUTHANIZED DUE TO POOR BODY CONDITION | SENT TO NJAHDL FOR NECROPSY                            | BILATERAL PULMONARY CONGESTION, PARASITIC GRANULOMAS                                                       | PENDING |
| 3/21/2023 | SEA ISLE CITY     | COMMON DOLPHIN     | ADULT FEMALE          | STRANDED ALIVE, DIED BEFORE MMSC ARRIVAL              | SENT TO NJAHDL FOR NECROPSY                            | BILATERAL PULMONARY CONGESTION, PARASITIC GRANULOMAS, HEMORHAGE PANCREAS                                   | PENDING |
| 3/22/2023 | LONG BEACH ISLAND | HUMPBACK WHALE     | SUB-ADULT UNK.        | FLOATING DEAD, 70MI OFFSHORE                          | CARCASS NEVER WASHED ASHORE                            | N/A                                                                                                        | N/A     |
| 3/24/2023 | OCEAN CITY        | PYGMY SPERM WHALE  | UNK. UNK.             | STRANDED DEAD                                         | TOO DECOMPOSED, BURIED ON SCENE                        | N/A                                                                                                        | N/A     |
| 3/28/2023 | ORTLEY            | HARBOR PORPOISE    | ADULT FEMALE          | STRANDED DEAD                                         | SENT TO NJAHDL FOR NECROPSY                            | NO FOOD IN STOMACH OR INTESTINES                                                                           | PENDING |
| 4/1/2023  | CAPE MAY          | COMMON DOLPHIN     | ADULT FEMALE          | STRANDED DEAD                                         | SENT TO NJAHDL FOR NECROPSY                            | PENDING                                                                                                    | PENDING |
| 4/2/2023  | SEA BRIGHT        | BOTTLENOSE DOLPHIN | ADULT MALE            | FLOATING DEAD                                         | TOO DECOMPOSED, LEFT TO BREAKDOWN NATURALLY            | N/A                                                                                                        | N/A     |