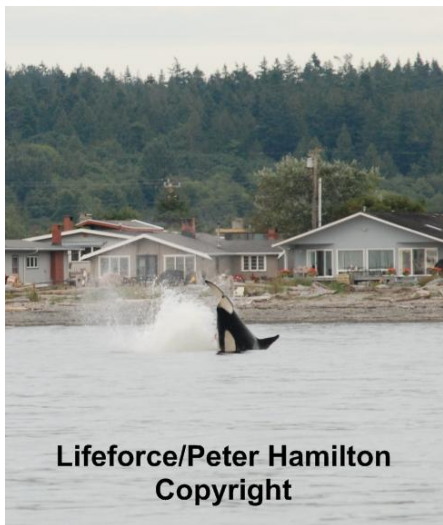


## August 22 – Orcas Stay Off Point Roberts

For over three hours August 22 (1800 to 2100 pm) approximately 60 members of J pod and L pod stayed off Point Roberts. For nearly 2 hours there were eight orcas that socialized a few hundred yards off Lighthouse Marine Park. There were repeated breaches, double Head Views, tail slaps and much more.

A reckless pleasure boater ran over top of them and they escaped further offshore but later returned to the same spot. Many little boats did not follow the new Washington State legislation to give the orcas 100 yard clearance and the whale watch companies went off shore to get up close with orcas further south.

Lifeforce documented violations off the Point to support a our campaign to get a ½ mile No Boat Zone when orcas pass as found in the San Juan Islands. More enforcement is definitely needed in these waters.





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