

**SUMMER FORAGING OF MALE PACIFIC WALRUS IN
BRISTOL BAY, ALASKA**

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Little is known of the foraging behaviors of free-ranging Pacific walrus (*Odobenus rosmarus divergens*). An obstacle to deploying TDR loggers on walrus has been the difficulty associated with re-capturing individuals for TDR retrieval. Satellite and VHF radio-telemetry data suggested that summer-time fidelity of adult male walrus to beaches in Bristol Bay, Alaska would allow the deployment and retrieval of TDRs from these animals. We describe dive behaviors from TDR data collected from 4 male walrus and contrast these behaviors to those that are likely to be exhibited by female walrus who spend much of their life in association with moving sea ice.

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