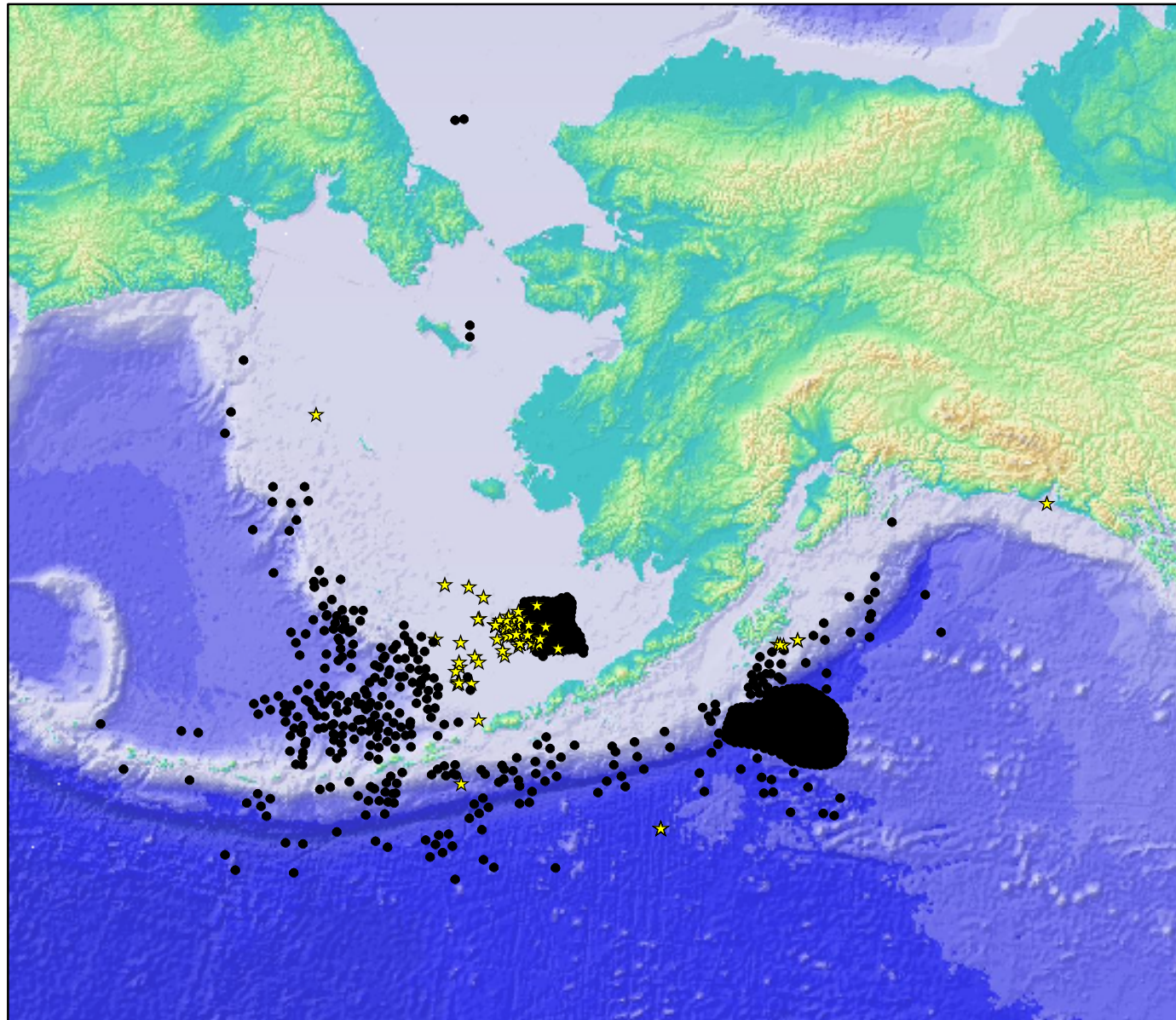


# Observations of North Pacific Right Whales in U.S. Waters from 1940 to 2005



## Legend

- ★ Observations made following listing under the Endangered Species Act (1973 to present)
- Observations 1941-1967, prior to listing under the Endangered Species Act

Observation data was gathered from scientific studies, historic whaling reports and incidental sightings, compiled in Shelden, K., S.Moore, J.Waite, P.Wade and D.Rugh. 2005. Historic and current habitat use by North Pacific Right Whales *Eubalaena japonica* in the Bering Sea and Gulf of Alaska. Mammal Review 35:129-155.



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