

BOWFEST – Flight 3 – September 5 2008

TAKE-OFF TIME: 13:30:18

TOUCH-DOWN TIME: 19:47:42

TOTAL FLIGHT TIME: 6.3 Hours

SEARCH SCHEME: 1

Weather and Visibility: The northwest part of the BOWFEST study area was covered by dense, low clouds. We flew above the clouds until we found a opening well to the north. After flying a couple tracklines in the northern part of our study area, we were able to work our way south in and out of fog, under a thick ceiling.

EFFORT SUMMARY	DISTANCE (KM)	TIME (MINS)
On Effort - Trackline	448.66	147
On Effort - Deadhead	238.12	76
On Effort - Photo Mode	151.96	51
On Effort - Circling	102.78	34
Off Effort	230.07	70
Total Search Time	941.51	308

SIGHTING SUMMARY	# SIGHTINGS	# ANIMALS
Bowhead Whale	5	6 (12*)
Unid Seal	3	4
Totals	8	10 (16*)

* There were 5 bowhead whale sightings for a total of 6 animals. However, after breaking trackline to circle and photograph the whales, we estimated a minimum of 12 bowheads, bringing the total number of bowheads from 6 to 12 animals.

TIME	EFFORT	LAT	LONG	SPECIES	GROUP SIZE	CUE	CALVES	GROUP STATUS	FEEDING	BEHAVIOR
14:50:17	ON EFFORT - TRACKLINE	71.539	-155.742	Bowhead Whale	1	Body	0	Adult	No	Travel
15:18:15	ON EFFORT - TRACKLINE	71.886	-154.932	Unid Seal	1					
15:26:53	ON EFFORT - DEADHEAD	71.757	-154.859	Unid Seal	2					
15:39:03	ON EFFORT - TRACKLINE	71.448	-155.275	Bowhead Whale	2	Body	0	Adult	Yes-Mud	Travel
17:05:02	ON EFFORT - TRACKLINE	71.407	-154.739	Bowhead Whale	1	Splash	0		Yes-Mud	Travel
17:50:47	ON EFFORT - TRACKLINE	71.358	-154.810	Bowhead Whale	1	Splash	0	Adult	Unknown	Travel
17:51:16	ON EFFORT - TRACKLINE	71.346	-154.829	Bowhead Whale	1	Splash	0	Adult	Unknown	Travel
19:01:26	ON EFFORT - TRACKLINE	71.115	-154.272	Unid Seal	1					

