

History of Turtle Tagging in Hawaii

- 1st turtle tagged in Hawaii: 1951 Laysan (DFG)
- Large-scale effort started in 1965 in NWHI (DFG & US Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife; now USFWS)
- Balazs started tagging in 1973 (НІМВ)
- Balazs joined NOAA in June 1983



Evolution of TDPS(Turtle Data Processing System)

- Dbase
- MS Access
- Oracle 2008 (ongoing)
 - •Addition of ~40 new fields



Data Sets in TDPS

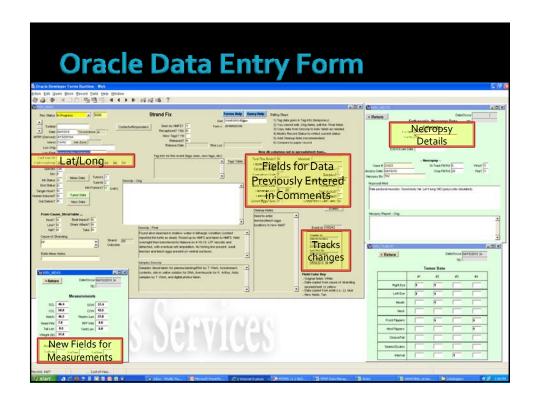


Nesting Data

- Encounter records for individual turtles (TurtleID)
- Nearshore Data
 - Records for turtles captured on foraging grounds or released from captivity, and captive-care/release records for stranded turtles (TurtleID)
- Stranding Data
 - Records of live and dead stranded turtles (TurtleID or DateID)

Summary of Existing Data

- Nesting ~ 36,000+ records 1975-2008
- Nearshore ~ 24,000 records 1963-2010
- Stranding ~ 5,600 records 1982-2010
- Tags ~ 37,000
- TurtleIDs ~ 15,250



Other Data Sets



- Satellite Telemetry Data
 - 607 tracks (1992-2010) 4 species
- Time Depth Recorder Data
- Temperature Data Loggers
- Photographs (strandings, fieldwork, etc.)

Archival Systems

Oracle database – nightly

- Shared network drive (photos, spreadsheets, etc.)
 - External Hard Drive (Dole St) weekly
 - DVDs (Aiea) quarterly
- Satellite Telemetry Data
 - CDs/DVDs & 2 External Hard Drives stored at off-site locations (ie: 2 locations in Silver Spring, MD)

Data Accessibility – Oracle

- Data Trawler work in progress
- Web-based data entry forms
 - multiple users can enter and access data

Data Integration



Work in Progress

- Oracle DB will have some field overlap with Monk Seal Program (ie: geographic regions; samples; etc)
- OBIS-Seamap
 - Contributed published satellite telemetry data for loggerheads and olive ridleys

Needs



- Automated reports and queries
- Tracking of tags not just IDs
- Inclusion of other data sets (satellite telemetry data, photographs, etc.)
- Photo Library
- Training in Oracle
- Database support