# Project Hotspot: Sighting Form

## **Interviewer name:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of interview: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

# Observer Details

Observer name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone number:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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# Species Observed (circle):

Orca Little Blue Penguin Reef Heron New Zealand Fur Seal

(please go to the relevant species box)

Call **DOC** on **0800 DOC HOT** (0800 362 468) if you see dead, injured or entangled Project Hotspot species

# Orca

Time of sighting: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of sighting: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Description of location (place name/road end):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Distance of orca from the shore (**circle**): close to shore within breaking waves / close to shore beyond breaking waves / more than 1km offshore

Estimated distance of orca from shore (**metres**) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

GPS reference or position on map:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Seen from (**circle**): Shore / boat / surfing

Swell (**circle**): None/ Light (0-1m) / Moderate (1-2m) / Heavy (>2m)

Photos/video (**circle**): Yes / No (If yes, please provide files with **location**, **date** and **name** as **file name**)

Number of orca: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Number of adults: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Number of juveniles:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Activity (**circle**): swimming / surfing / feeding in the shallows /tail wave / tail slap / breach (leaping into air) / stranded (but alive) / dead

(comment)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Direction orca heading in: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Description of orca (size and shape of dorsal fin, distinctive markings, any scars present):

(comment) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

ID confidence (**circle**): definitely orca / unsure (if photo available select ‘ID Please’ box in NatureWatch NZ)

Were any potential threats present? (**circle**): no observable threats / near vicinity to boat or vessels / risk of entanglement

(comment)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

# Little Blue Penguin

Time of sighting: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of sighting: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Description of location (place name/road end):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

GPS reference or position on map: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Seen from (**circle**): Shore / boat / in water

# Little Blue Penguin (continued)

Photos/video (**circle**): Yes / No (If yes, please provide files with **location**, **date** and **name** as **file name**)

Number of penguins: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Activity (**circle**): on beach / in burrow or under building / swimming in sea / footprints across sand / trace of (e.g. scratches, feathers) / calling / dead

(comment)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

ID confidence (**circle**): definitely LBP / unsure (if photo available select ‘ID Please’ box in NatureWatch NZ)

Were any potential threats present? (**circle**): no observable threats / predators nearby (e.g. dog, cat or stoat footprints) / disturbance by humans / risk of entanglement / risk of swallowing litter

(comment) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

# Reef Heron

Time of sighting: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of sighting: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Description of location (place name/road end):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

GPS reference or position on map: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Seen from (**circle**): on shore / in water

Photos/video (**circle**): Yes / No (If yes, please provide files with **location**, **date** and **name** as **file name**

Number of herons:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Activity (**circle**): feeding / stationary or walking and not feeding / flying / nesting / footprints only / dead

(comment) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

ID confidence (**circle**): definitely reef heron / unsure could be white-faced heron (‘ID Please’ box NWNZ)

Were any potential threats present? (circle): no observable threats / predators nearby (e.g. dog) / disturbance by humans / risk of entanglement / risk of swallowing litter

(comment)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

# New Zealand Fur Seal

Time of sighting: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of sighting: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Description of location (place name/road end):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

GPS reference or position on map: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Seen from (**circle**): Shore / boat / underwater (scuba dive, snorkel)

Photos/video (**circle**): Yes / No (If yes, please provide files with **location**, **date** and **name** as **file name**

Number of seals: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Number of adults:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Number of juveniles: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Activity (**circle**): resting on land / swimming at sea / juveniles in nursery area / dead

(comment)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Were any potential threats present? (**circle**): no observable threats / predators nearby (e.g. dog) / disturbance by humans / near vicinity to boat or vessels / risk of entanglement

(comment)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_