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§ 226.215 **Critical habitat for the North Pacific Right Whale (*Eubalaena japonica*).**

(a) *Primary Constituent Elements.* The primary constituent elements of the North Pacific right whale are the copepods *Calanus marshallae*, *Neocalanus cristatus*, and *N. plumchris*, and the euphausiid *Thysanoessa raschii*, in areas of the North Pacific Ocean in which North Pacific right whales are known or believed to feed, as described in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section.

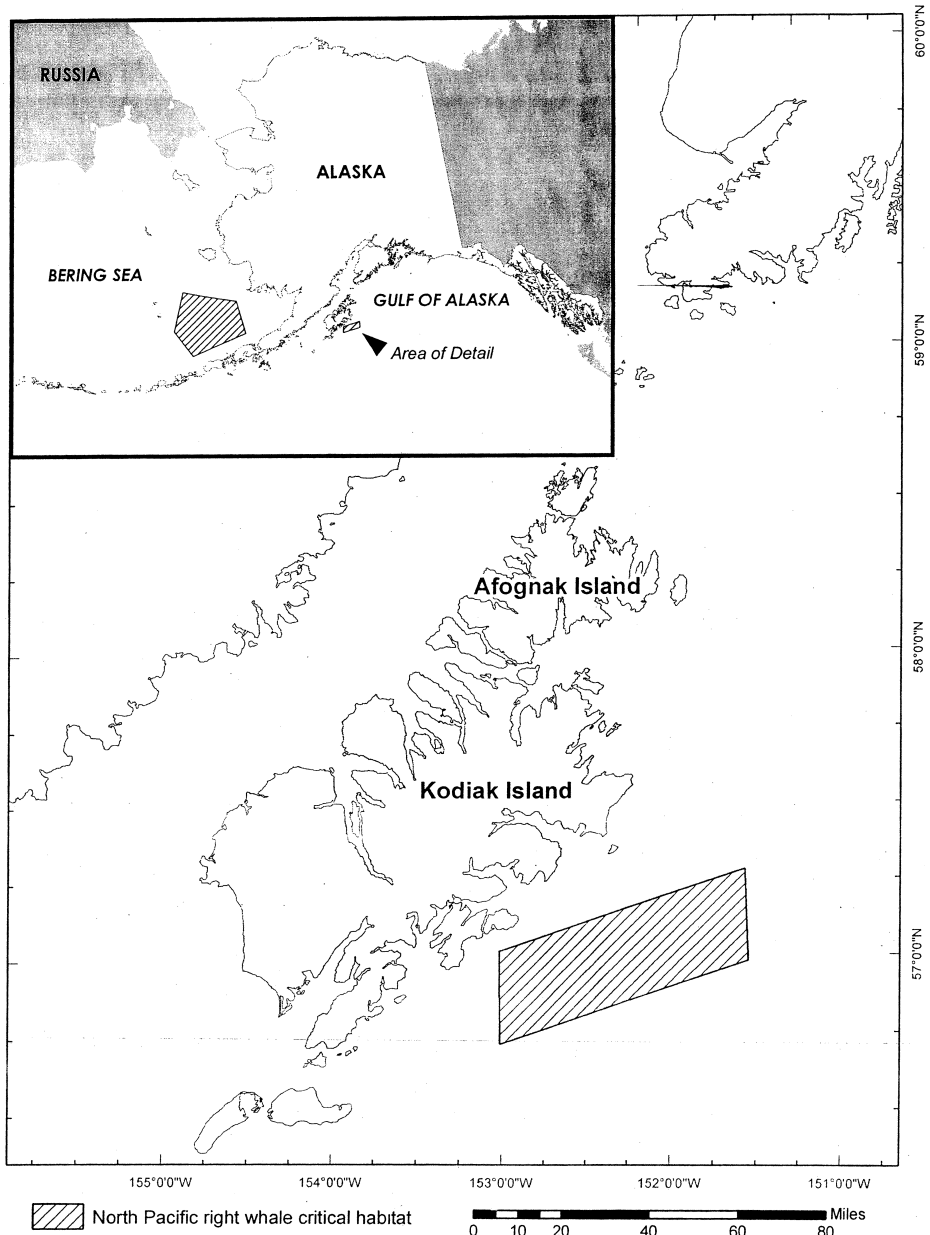
(b) *Bering Sea.* An area described by a series of straight lines connecting the following coordinates in the order listed:

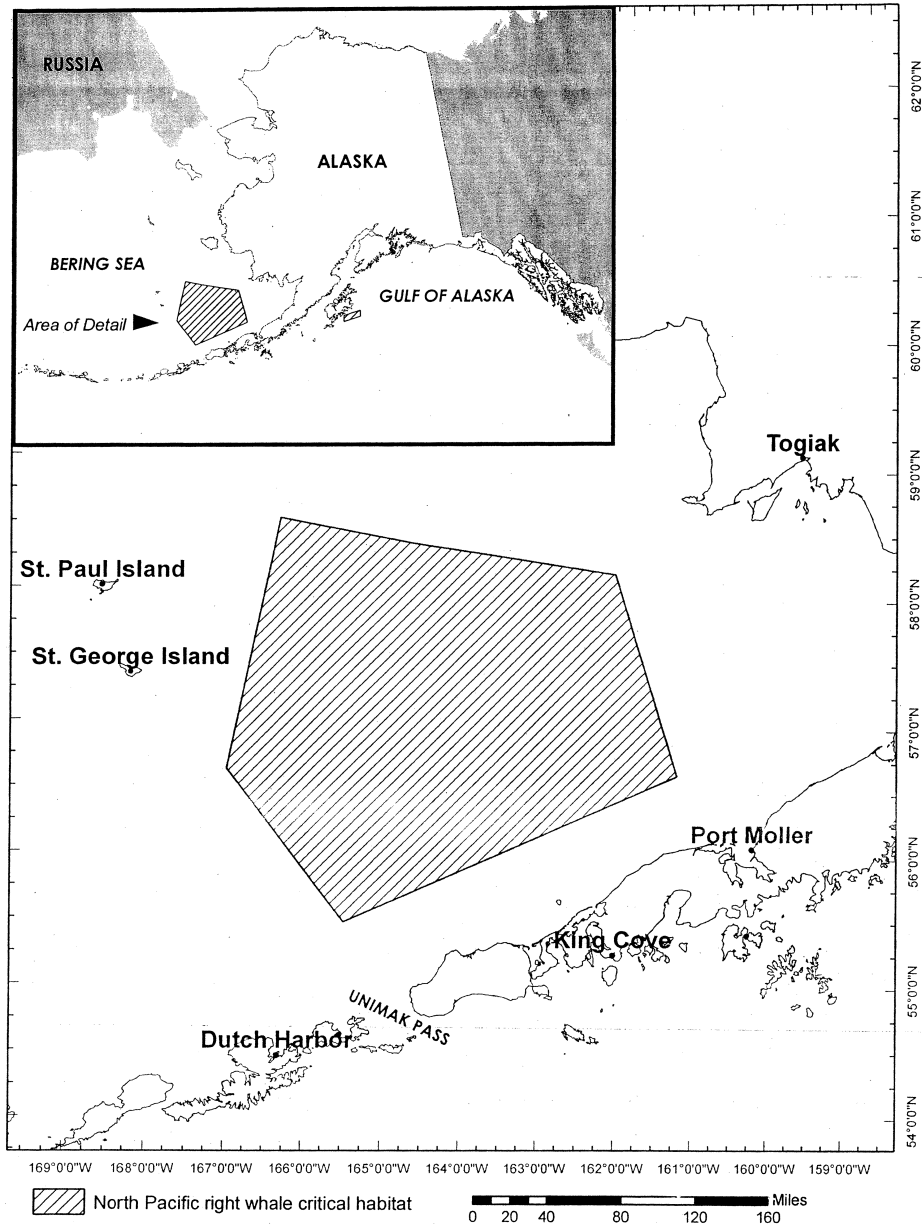
58°00' N/168°00' W
58°00' N/163°00' W
56°30' N/161°45' W
55°00' N/166°00' W
56°00' N/168°00' W
58 °00' N/168°00' W.

(c) *Gulf of Alaska.* An area described by a series of straight lines connecting the following coordinates in the order listed:

57°03' N/153°00' W
57°18' N/151°30' W
57°00' N/ 151°30' W
56°45' N/153°00' W
57°03' N/153°00' W.

(d) Maps of critical habitat for the North Pacific right whale follow:





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