

# CETACEAN CONSERVATION IN NICARAGUA

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#### CONTEXT

- No data available on cetaceans
- Construction of the canal in Dec. 2015
- Increasing eco-tourism
- Absence of regulation of whale watching activities



Fig. 1: Probable route of the canal

#### **OBJECTIVES**

#### Science

- √ Database
- ✓ Scientific publications
- ✓ Education centre

### **Environmental education**

✓ Workshops for local communities, tourists and local operators

## Policy

- ✓ Regulation of anthropogenic activities
- ✓ Environmental impact assessment

## MATERIAL & METHODS

- Study from 2016-2020
- January-March (11 weeks)
- Boat based surveys



Fig. 2: Field team in Nicaragua

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