From: nivilica@comcast.net
To: MakahDEIS.nwr@noaa.gov;
Subject: 2008 Makah DEIS
Date: Monday, August 04, 2008 5:45:35 AM

To Mr. Steve Stone:

Pertaining to the public comment or vote on the proposal of the Makah Tribe to kill gray whales in the north Pacific, I am very appalled that this is even on the table.
The Gray Whale of the Northwest is low in numbers, and with all of the old and new environmental threats (i.e. offshore drilling, and warming of the oceans), I believe to allow this kill would be very irresponsible!
My opinion is a resounding NO! Please consider that traditions are not a good reason for killing gray whales at this time, as we do not know what effects the warming of the Earth will have upon species even in the next 10 years. The best scientists we have do say that if the human population doesn't change its carbon habits drastically and immediately, over 50% of all plant and animal life will be gone from this planet in 30 years time. We also know the ecosystem will be destroyed.
Thank you.
Russell V. Kennedy