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The Salish Sea Initiative Interactive Map

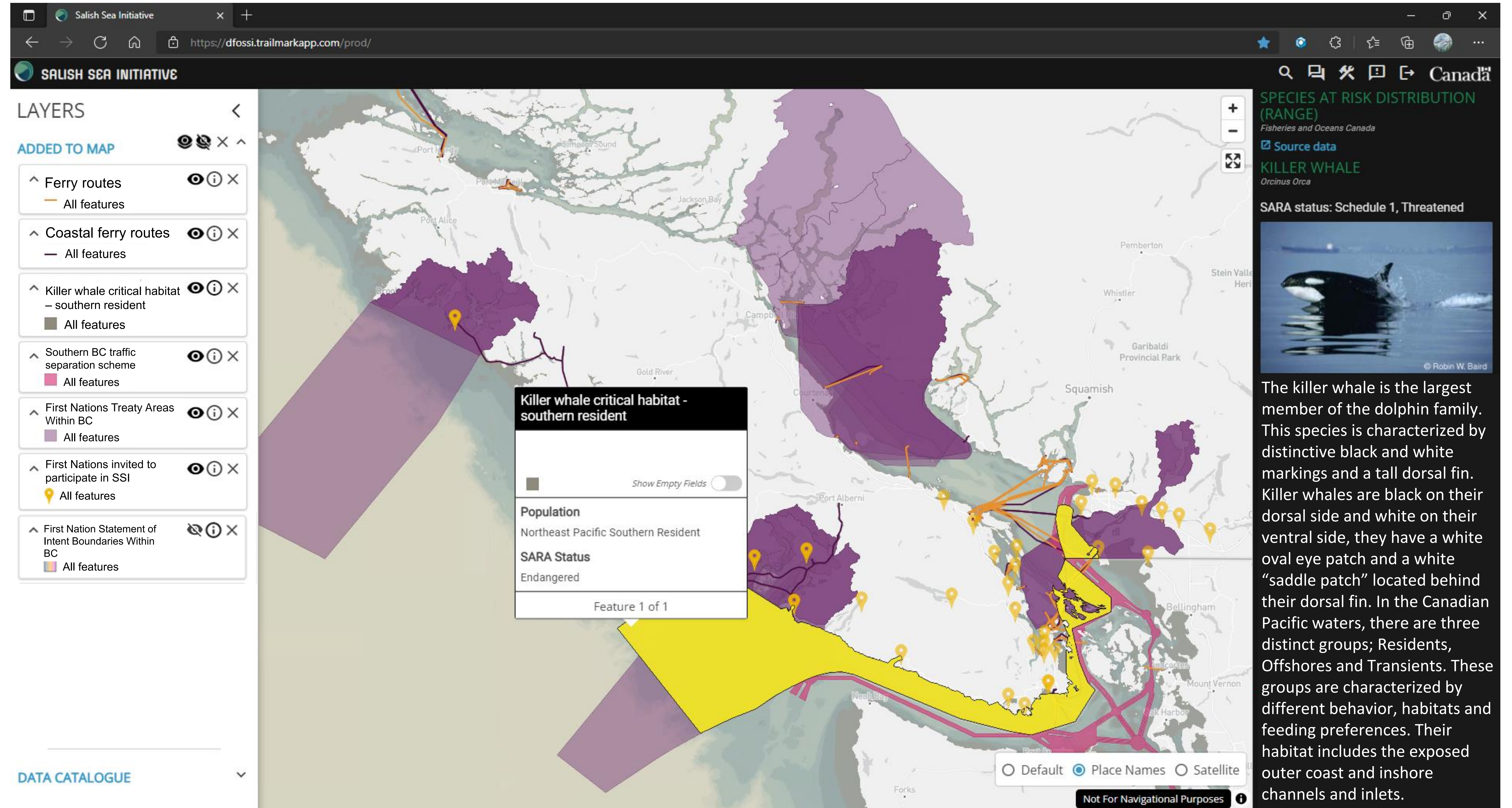
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Introduction

- The map aims to support planning and visualization of marine stewardship information and cultural components.
- The SSI interactive map is a tool being co-developed with First Nations participating in SSI.
- Map functionalities and data are being added to fit needs expressed by First Nations.
- The Salish Sea Initiative (SSI) is a Government of Canada accommodation measure resulting from the Trans Mountain Expansion Reconsideration process.

About the Map

- The map will contain 225+ data layers
- Data comes from open sources
- Additional resources are linked to the map, i.e. published survey techniques, fact sheets on valued components, and guidance documents.
- Functions include within-map text and spatial search functions.



LAYERS

ADDED TO MAP

- ^ Ferry routes - All features
- ^ Coastal ferry routes - All features
- ^ Killer whale critical habitat - southern resident - All features
- ^ Southern BC traffic separation scheme - All features
- ^ First Nations Treaty Areas Within BC - All features
- ^ First Nations invited to participate in SSI - All features
- ^ First Nation Statement of Intent Boundaries Within BC - All features

Killer whale critical habitat - southern resident

Population: Northeast Pacific Southern Resident

SARA Status: Endangered

Feature 1 of 1

SPECIES AT RISK DISTRIBUTION (RANGE)

KILLER WHALE
Orcinus Orca

SARA status: Schedule 1, Threatened

The killer whale is the largest member of the dolphin family. This species is characterized by distinctive black and white markings and a tall dorsal fin. Killer whales are black on their dorsal side and white on their ventral side, they have a white oval eye patch and a white "saddle patch" located behind their dorsal fin. In the Canadian Pacific waters, there are three distinct groups; Residents, Offshores and Transients. These groups are characterized by different behavior, habitats and feeding preferences. Their habitat includes the exposed outer coast and inshore channels and inlets.

Next Steps

- Data privacy settings, for full OCAP compliance, for each First Nation.
- Co-development meetings will continue to occur regularly
- The map will continue to be developed until March 31, 2024

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