## **Supplementary Material**

Long-term strategies for studying rare species: results and lessons from a multi-species study of odontocetes around the main Hawaiian Islands

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Figure S1. Distinctiveness ratings for pygmy killer whales. (a) HIFa659, considered not distinctive (D1). Photo by Colin J. Cornforth. (b) HIFa657, considered slightly distinctive (D2). Photo by Kimberly A. Wood. (c) HIFa350, considered distinctive (D3). Photo by Annie M. Gorgone. (d) HIFa398, considered very distinctive (D4). Photo by Jessica M. Aschettino.

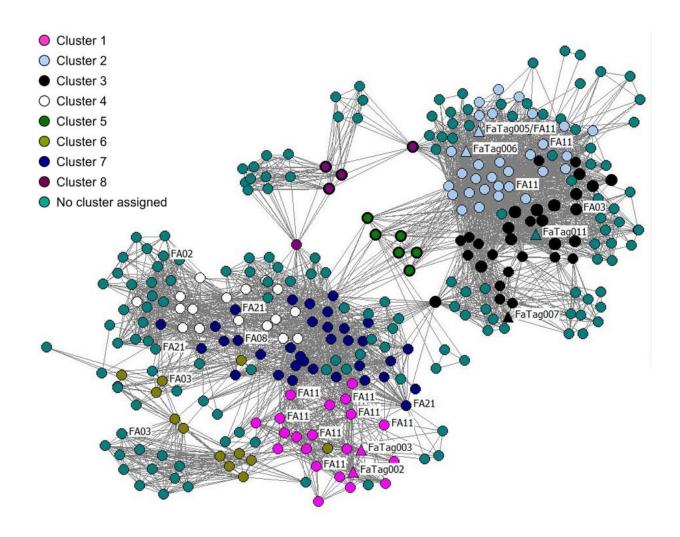


Figure S2. The main component of the pygmy killer whale social network showing individuals by cluster (see key), with individuals with insufficient sample sizes to determine cluster indicated. Tagged individuals are indicated by triangular symbols, and labels are included for tagged individuals (FaTag0##) and individuals with known mitochondrial haplotypes (FA##).

Table S1. Definitions of behaviors and behavioral states used for pygmy killer whales.

Predominant (i.e., > 50% of individuals) behavioral states are recorded, but it is important to note that behavioral states are not necessarily mutually exclusive and with larger groups individuals

within a group may be engaged in different behavioral states.

Behavior	Definition
Milling	Slow non-directional movements
Logging	Resting motionless at the surface with part of the body (the head and part of the
	back, sometimes extending to the dorsal fin) exposed
Social	Interactive movements between individuals (within or between species) not
behavior	involving prey capture or prey handling, typically involving body contact and
	non-directional movements that may be fast or slow
Slow travel	Directional orientation sustained, no bow wake or splash created upon
	surfacing, typical speed over ground < 3 km h <sup>-1</sup>
Travel	Sustained directional movement, bow wake or splash sometimes created upon
	surfacing, typical speed over ground > 3 km h <sup>-1</sup>
Foraging	Non-synchronous surfacings of individuals within group, non-directional, long
	dives