The goals of the environmental planning documents prepared by the Navy are to:

- Document a baseline of current activities;
- Analyze environmental impacts of proposed activities and alternatives; and
- Support compliance with applicable environmental statutes.

These goals were addressed in the first phase of at-sea environmental compliance documents issued. The Hawaii-Southern California Training and Testing Environmental Impact Statement/Overseas Environmental Impact Statement (EIS/OEIS) is part of the second phase of environmental compliance documents, which is needed to support the Navy’s request for authorization of another five-year Marine Mammal Protection Act permit. In addition, the Navy will engage in required Endangered Species Act consultations.