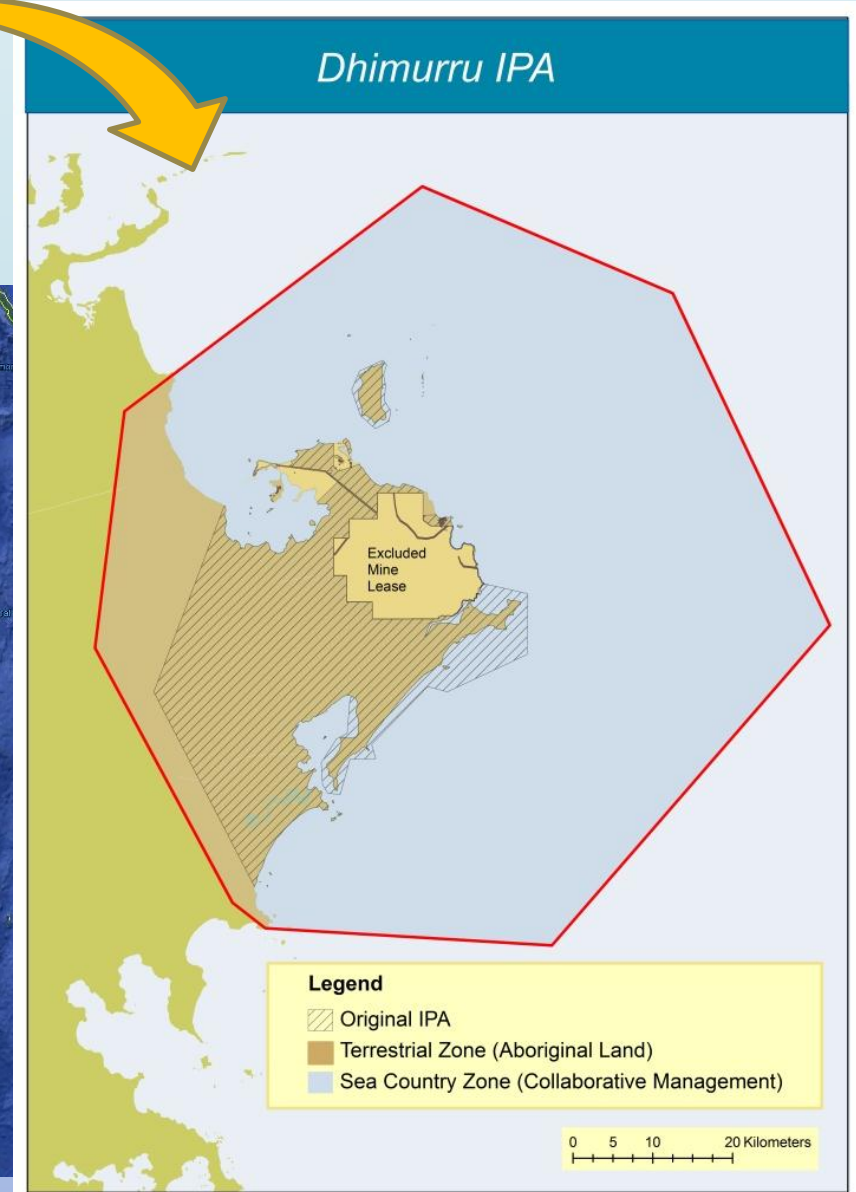


DHIMURRU ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

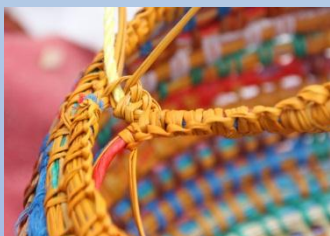


WHERE IS DHIMURRU?



DHIMURRU'S STATS

- Managing cultural and natural values of East Arnhem for more than 20 years.
- 550,000ha of country including 450,000ha of sea.
- 15 full time indigenous Rangers.



MARINE DEBRIS:

In 2014 in one 3km stretch of beach we picked up 2,030kgs of marine debris including:

ITEM	NUMBER
Plastic Bottle Tops	11,121
Clear Plastic Bottles	1,213
Thongs	1,736
Cigarette Lighters	475
Toothbrushes	160



GHOSTNETS

Ghost nets are of particular concern, especially for our very important marine sea turtles.

Not only are they listed as rare and endangered species, but they are very special to Yolngu who dance, sing and paint the miyapunu.



REPETITIVE FLIGHTS AND OUTCOMES FOR SURVIVAL RATES.

- In 2013:
3 flights.
5 turtles alive and 12 dead.
Total: 17 animals
- In 2014:
7 flights
17 turtles alive and 7 dead.
Total: 24 animals
- In 2015:
9 flights.
11 turtles alive and 20 dead.
Total: 31 animals



SATELLITE TRACKING

Two turtles had satellite trackers fitted and their progress was monitored over a number of weeks.

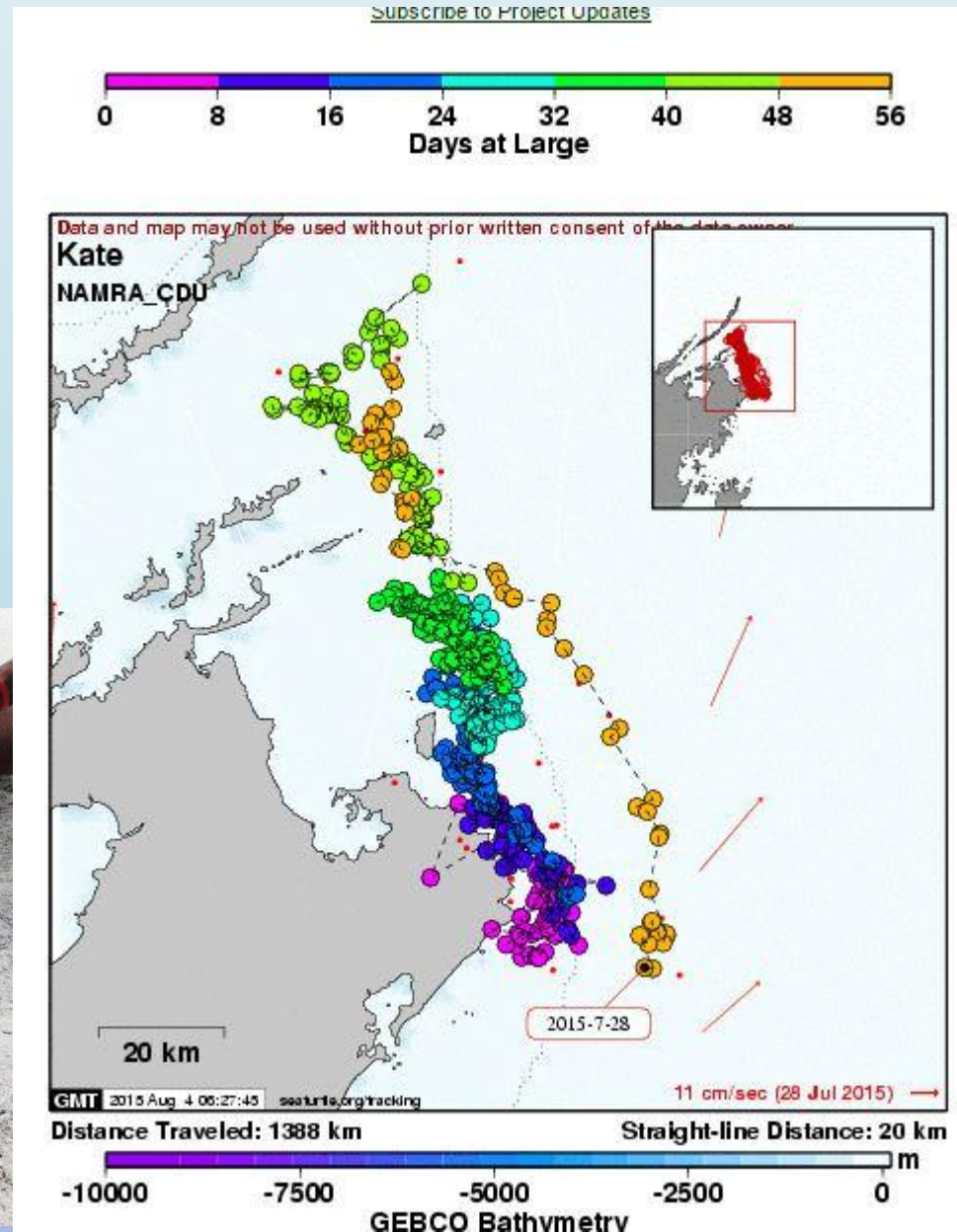
Kate was a very malnourished and underweight Olive Ridley.

Arthur a small Green turtle. Both found entangled in nets.



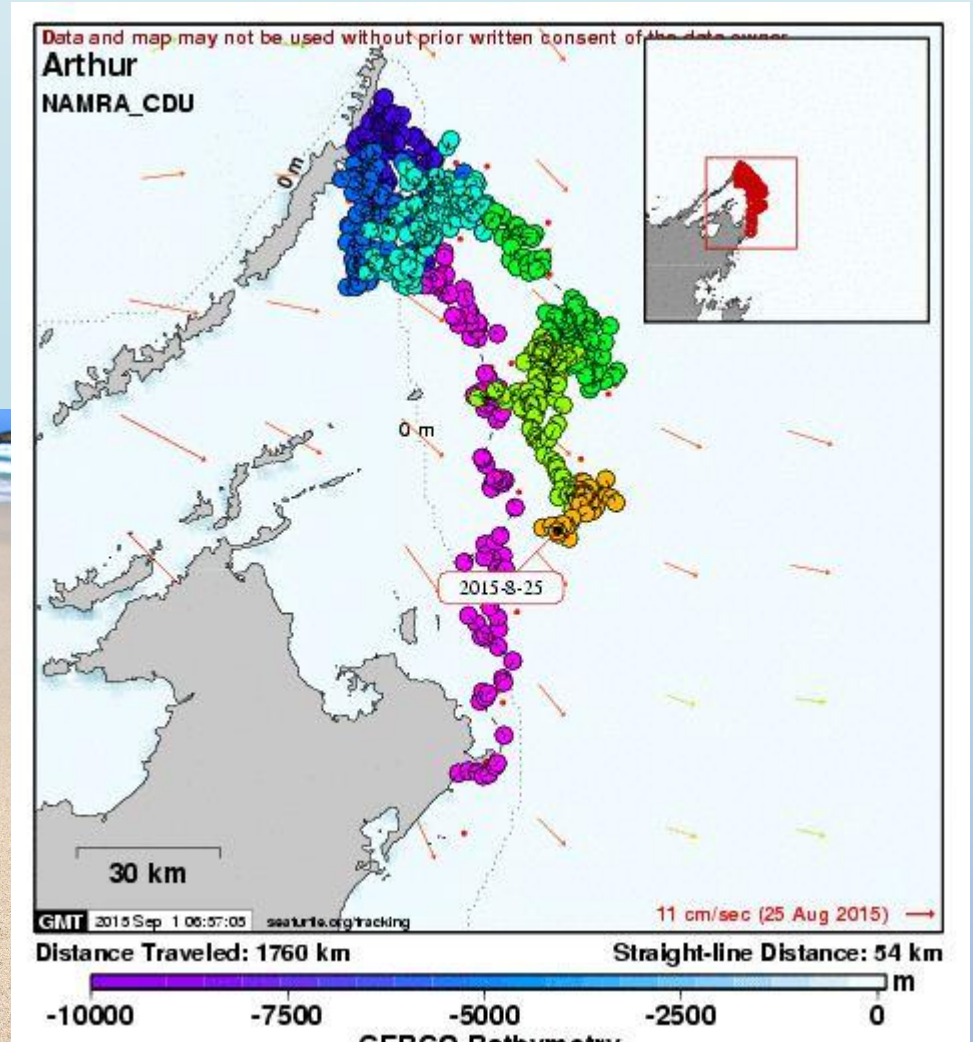
Kate

Kate spent 56 days at large and travelled nearly 1,400km



Arthur

Arthur spent 49 days at large and travelled over 1,700 km



BUT WHY??

Why so many nets and where do they come from?



Where do the turtles come from?

Do the turtles survive? (is the effort worth the cost?)



LETS GET OUT THERE AND DO IT!

