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I'm all for the Makah Tribe having pride in its existence, but there are other ways to accomplish this than by pointlessly killing gray whales. Some people don't seem to get it that their heritage, their old cultural patterns are not viable in the world of today. Ceremonial practices to celebrate the history of the Makah could certainly be developed without actually killing animals FOR NO REASON! And what is this about "how many could be struck but not killed"? That is really ugly.

The whales are protected by law; keep them protected and do not allow hunting just for the fun of killing something.