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Harpoon Point

An exceptionally fine and large harpoon head with a pierced center for the attachment of the line. The harpoon head is flanged at the front and waisted in the center so to represent the stylized body and head of a breaching whale. It is superbly decorated with a spare, incised, linear and dot design all over. The fore-end is slit to receive a slate blade. The rear end is pierced to receive the fore-shaft. Saint Lawrence Island (?), Alaska, USA. Penuk Culture 600 – 900 AD. Mineralized walrus tusk (*Odobenus rosmarus divergens*). 17.8 cm.