

**ENDANGERED SPECIES OBSERVER PROGRAM**  
 Dredge **PADRE ISLAND** - Mississippi River Gulf Outlet  
 USACE, New Orleans District - Fall 1996

DAILY REPORT

Date: 10 / 26 / 96 Loads: # 1-9  
 Area(s) Worked: MISSISSIPPI RIVER OUTLET CHANNEL stations 375<sup>+00</sup> to 381<sup>+50</sup>  
 Weather Conditions: CLEAR SKIES / HAZY; SW WINDS @ 4 → 2 (BEAUFORT... ~10 mph) seas 4'  
 Range of H<sub>2</sub>O Temperature: Surface \_\_\_\_\_ Below Mid-Depth \_\_\_\_\_  
 Condition of all screening apparatus: FINE

Are there incidents involving endangered or protected species? Yes X\* No \_\_\_\_\_

Comments (type of material being dredged, biological specimens, etc.):  
 \* ON THE SIXTH LOAD (1621 to 1717 HRS) THE PARTIAL REMAINS OF A BADLY DECOMPOSED TURTLE WERE RECOVERED FROM THE STBD. AFT. DISCHARGE BOX. THE REMAINS, A PORTION OF THE FLIPPER & ATTACHED BODY, SMELLED EXTREMELY FOUL. & WERE BARELY DISCEARNABLE AS TURTLE PARTS. NO INCIDENT REPORT HAS BEEN FILED. THE REMAINS WERE DISPOSED OF AT THE DUMP SITE.

WE ARE WORKING A SMALL "LOOP" - DIGGING & DUMPING JUST OUTSIDE THE CHANNEL. WORKING W/ THE "MANHATTEN ISLAND", & IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE "EAGLE"

THE MATERIAL WE ARE DIGGING IS FINE, SANDY SILT. WE RECOVER A FEW SMALL WATERLOGGED PCS OF WOOD, ROCKS & SOME MISC. DEBRIS.

BIO. TAKE - INCLUDES 1 RAY/SKATE

Bridge Watch Summary

Species	# of Sightings	# of Animals	Comments
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Observer(s) On Duty: LIZ POMFAET. JOHN KUECHT

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**WEEKLY SUMMARY**

Dates:   /  /   - 10/26/96      Loads: 1-9

Range of H<sub>2</sub>O Temperature:    Surface NA      Below Mid-Depth 73°F

Area(s) Worked: MISSISSIPPI RIVER GULF OUTLET stations 375<sup>50</sup> to 381<sup>50</sup>

Are there incidents involving endangered or protected species?    Yes X      No   

Comments: DREDGE "PADRE ISLAND" ARRIVES ON SITE, BOARDED BY OBSERVERS APP 0800 HR.  
DIGGING COMMENCES 0910 HRS.  
WORKING ALONGSIDE THE "MANHATTAN ISLAND" ALONG AN AREA OF THE CHANNEL  
EITHER SIDE OF THE "R8/G7" CHANNEL MARKERS.  
AFTER LOAD #6 THE BADLY DECOMPOSED REMAINS OF A TURTLE WERE RECOVERED.  
THERE WAS LITTLE IDENTIFIABLE ABOUT IT, & IT WAS DISPOSED OF AT THE  
DUMP SITE, & THE CUSTOMARY INCIDENT REPORT COMPLETED.  
THE MATERIAL WE'RE DIGGING IS FINE SAND/SILT.  
THERE SEEMS TO BE LITTLE DEBRIS / BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL

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