

ENDANGERED SPECIES OBSERVER PROGRAM
Gulf Coast Trailing Co. - Dredge Mermentau
Palm Beach Harbor, FL #1994/1995

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Load# 159 Start 1359 End 2014 Dump 2026

Location (lat/long) Stations 67+00-76+93-25+00-61+00

Conditions Clear, Winds S 20 knots, Seas 2-4, Air 73, H2O 72 Tide Flood

1355 1.9

Port Draghead Grass, Sticks, Trash TED: O.K.

Stbd Draghead Wood, sticks, Rocks TED: O.K.

Port Overflow Grass

" Overboard Clean

Stbd Overflow Clean

" Overboard Clean

Port Lander Grass, Sticks, Shells, Rock, Cowfish

Port Dis.- Fore: Grass, Trash Mid: Grass, Trash

Stbd Lander Green turtle, rock, trash

Stbd Dis.- Fore: Clean Mid: Grass, Trash

Comments: After digging in stations 67+00-76+93 till overflow

observer goes and cleans the rock from the lander, half of a
green turtle sampled. Observer checked draghead and mid and

fore inflow screens for any more remains, none were found.

Left side carapace had six marginal scutes left and the right
side had five marginal scutes left.

No further evidence of green turtle sample found during

final inspection of draghead and other sampling screens.

Anterior half not sampled. Dredge backing and filling using
overboard discharge boxes. Pumps being slowed down when

backing up. Turtle photographed and put on ice awaiting disposition.

Observer(s) On Duty:

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