ENDANGERED SPECIES OBSERVER PROGRAM
Dredge *STUYVESANT* - Tampa Bay, Florida
USACE, Jacksonville District - Winter 1996

5/10/96

Are there incidents involving endangered or protected species? Yes ✓ No ____

LOAD # 235 Times: Start 0535 End 0817 Dump 0935
Location (lat/long & channel markers) Egmont Channel Buoys 11-14 Tide Flood
Weather Skies clear, seas 1-2', winds S-SE 10-15 kt H_2O Surf. Temp 77°F
Below Mid-Depth NA

Port Draghead Ø Deflector: ok
Stbd Draghead Adult male loggerhead (Caretta caretta) Deflector: ok

Port Discharge Screening (fwd and aft) Head of same loggerhead and fragments of carapace and plastron

Stbd Discharge Screening (fwd and aft) Ø

Other Screening (mid high level skimmer)

Other Screening (lower skimmers)

Comments (condition of screening, material being dredged, etc.) Adult male loggerhead impinged in starboard draghead. Head of animal found in port inflow screening. Turtle positively identified as loggerhead. Sex determined by tail length (35 cm). Turtle essentially in one piece with 3 flippers, shattered plastron and carapace and mangled internal organs attached. Right front flipper and right side of carapace absent. Turtle was alive at the time of take. Estimated measurements suggest the turtle was ~90 cm straight line carapace length and ~70 cm straight line carapace width. Photographs on record. See accompanying incident report for additional info. Specimen not suitable for necropsy. Florida Marine Resea Institute authorized disposal at dump site. Will hold to insu that all concerned parti conce

Bridge Watch Summary

Species	# of Animals	Time	Location & Comments

Observer(s) On Duty: Cheryl Ryder, Andrew Brown