ENDANGERED SPECIES OBSERVER PROGRAM
Dredge Dodge Island/NATCO
Brunswick Channel

DAILY REPORT

Date: 5/21/91 Day Loads: 490-493

Area Worked: Section 3, station 320-220 (outer channel)

Conditions: cloudy wind E 15-20 kts, seas 3-5', ~80° tide: L 0915 H 1535

Incidents:

One arm digging and [illegible] - few loads covered.

See Daily Report 5/22

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DAILY REPORT

Date: 5/22/91 Day Loads: 502 506

Area Worked: Section 3, station 270-220 (outer channel)

Conditions: partly cloudy, wind E 10-15 kts, seas 2-4' 280° tide: L 1013 H 1631

Incidents: Turtle take - Take occured on 5/21 at approx. 2015 hrs. Reported to observer upon boarding this morning. Dragtender found a turtle in the port draghead, retrieved it and tied it on the well deck. The Corps inspector photographed it. During the night rough seas tore the turtle loose from where it was tied and it washed overboard. Upon boarding I found 7 pieces of intestine in the lateral screens and examined photos of the turtle. The carapace was cracked open and intestine was trailing out. Intestine in the screens was certainly from this turtle. The turtle was a loggerhead (Caretta caretta) and estimated carapace length was 24"-26", over mature. Cooperation of crew greatly appreciated.

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WEEKLY SUMMARY

Dates: 5/19 - 5/25 1991 Loads: 467 - 541

Areas Worked: Section 3 station 320 - 520
Section 4 station 320 - 455 (clean up)

Incidents: Turtle take 5/21 at 2015 hrs. Crew found a loggerhead (Caretta caretta) in the port diagonal and reported it to the observer when he boarded the next morning. Intestine was found in the screens. See Daily Report 5/22.

Turtle take 5/25, 0800 hrs. Observer found intestines in the lateral overflow screens upon boarding; total length - 6' plus 2 pieces of colon and a piece of lung. Samples were frozen. Pieces taken on loads 534 or 535 (early AM). Species id. - prob. loggerhead (Caretta caretta). See Daily Report 5/25.

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