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INCIDENT REPORT OF SEA TURTLE TAKE BY DREDGING ACTIVITY

Date 04 MAY 03 **Time (24 hr)** 0747

Species of Turtle Taken Caretta caretta Loggerhead

Dredging Site (channel, port, etc.) Aransas Pass, TX

Location of Take: Latitude 27° 49.174N **Longitude** 097° 01.190W

Vessel Name and Company B+B Dredge Company, Atchafalaya

Load # 241 **Times: Start** 0609 **End** 0747 **Dump** 0756

Sampling Method (overflow, inflow, etc.) Hopper Dredge; inflow

Samples Recovered From Draghead (turtle) Lander intestines

Condition of Screening good.

Draghead Deflector? Yes ☒ **No** ☐

Condition of Deflector: good

Weather Conditions: Cloudy ~~good~~ (visibility) clear) windy SSE @ 20 to 30 knots

Water Temperature: Surface 26°C **Column** _____ (°C) or °F (Circle one)

Condition of specimen(s) sampled good condition; no head injuries; nor flipper injures. Caught in right side of draghead. Carapace cracked down middle; found some intestines in lander + piece in draghead.

Measurements (metric if possible): _____

Give estimate of entire carapace dimensions, as well as fragments samples:

Head With _____

Plastron Length _____ **Width** _____

Carapace *S.L. Length **S.L. Width** _____

Carapace **O.C. Length _____ **O.C. Width** _____

Turtle Tagged? Yes ☐ **No** ☒ **Tag#** _____ **Date** 04 / MAY 03

Comments: In attempt to retrieve juvenile loggerhead from draghead had crew lift draghead w/cable. Turtle fall out and fall overboard. All four flippers were intact. Could not see any tags; turtle's head was intact; no cuts on head.

Observer's Name Travis Smith

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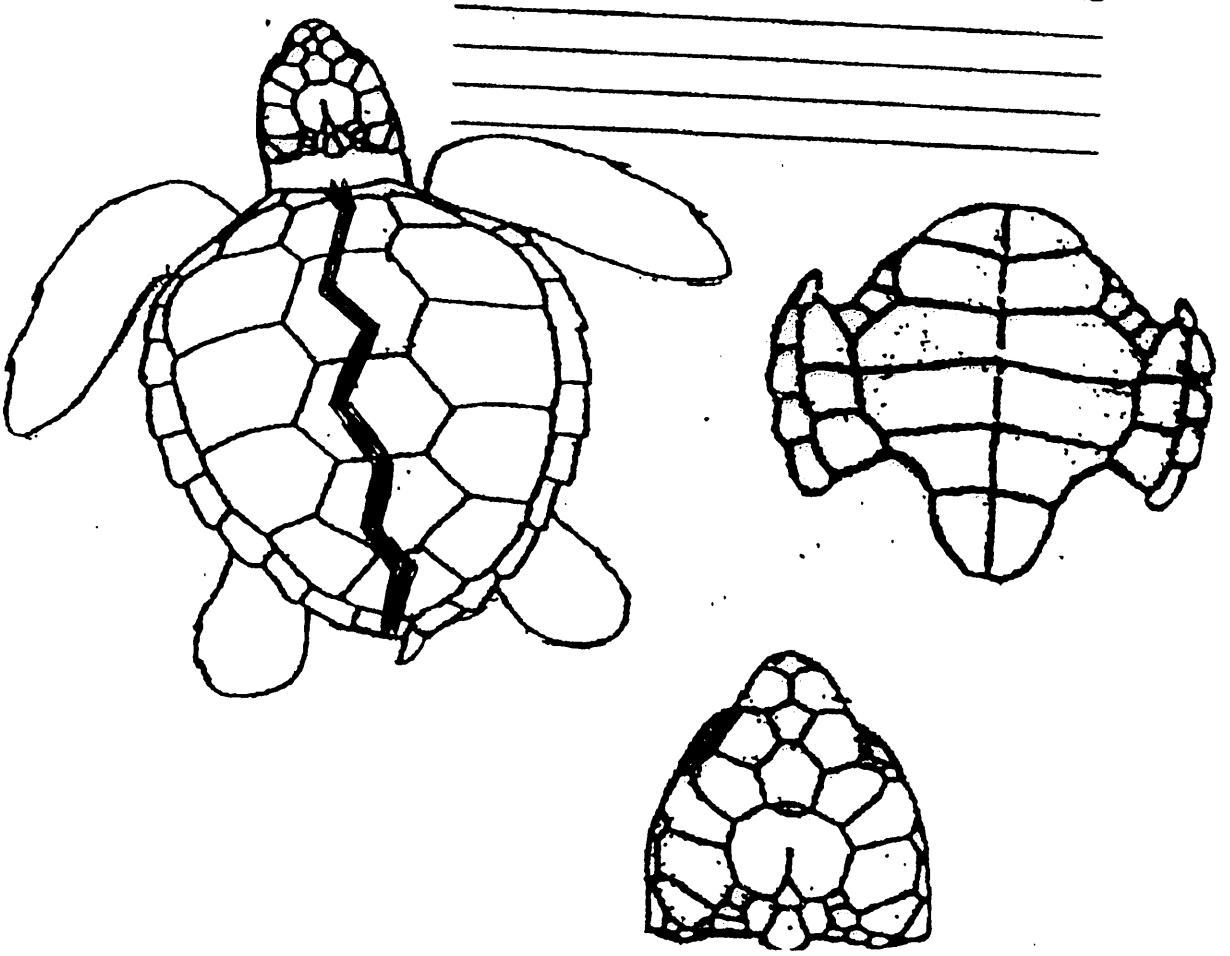
Blacken/shade parts which are missing.
Sketch any visible cracks and lacerations.

Comments: Juvenile loggerhead was intact. No visible cuts on head. Flippers were also intact, no tags were seen. Carapace was folded up down the center.