

CHANNEL IMPROVEMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL FISHING

(Personal Interview)

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**CHANNEL IMPROVEMENTS QUESTIONNAIRE
FOR COMMERCIAL FISHING**

1. How long have you been a fisherman? _____years

2. Are channel conditions causing you any delays?

_____YES - Answer Sections A and B

_____NO - Answer Section B only

Section A

For the following questions, assume channel conditions have been improved as shown on the attached exhibit.

3. What are conditions in the channel and mooring area, such as inadequate depth, width, and area that result in such navigational inefficiencies as tidal delays, grounding, collisions, scraping, etc.?

4. What are the annual costs associated with each type of inefficiency under current conditions?

Tidal delays: \$ _____

Grounding: \$ _____

Collisions: \$ _____

Scraping: \$ _____

Other: specify _____ \$ _____

5. Would you harvest more per trip?

_____YES Approximately _____LBS.. PER TRIP

_____NO Why? _____

6. Would you make more trips per year?

_____ YES _____ MORE TRIPS PER YEAR

_____ NO Why? _____

7. Do you expect to spend more in boat repair and maintenance if you make more trips?

_____ YES \$ _____ more per year

_____ NO Why? _____

8. Do you expect to spend more in fishing equipment repair and maintenance if you fish more and/or make more trips?

_____ YES \$ _____ more per year

_____ NO Why? _____

9. Would you save in repairs and maintenance from boat groundings?

_____ YES \$ _____ PER YEAR

_____ NO

EXHIBIT TO ACCOMPANY SECTION A

(Show diagram specific to study area.)

10. Would you take less ice per trip?

____ YES _____ LBS. LESS PER TRIP

____ NO Why? _____

11. How much would you save per trip in expenses such as groceries, fuel, etc.? If none, write zero.

\$ _____ PER YEAR

12. Would you consider buying a larger boat after channel improvements?

____ YES Length _____ Width _____ Draft _____

____ NO

13. Would you save any time in departures and arrivals?

____ YES _____ PER TRIP (AVERAGE HOURS, DAYS, ETC.)

____ NO

Section B
Existing Conditions

14. To how many fish houses do you sell? _____

Please give name and location below:

	NAME	LOCATION
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____

15. Are the proceeds from fishing trips shared on a percentage basis?

_____ YES

_____ NO

16. If yes above, please give gross percentages as follows:

<u>BOAT</u>	<u>CAPTAIN</u>	<u>CREW</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
_____	_____	_____	<u>100%</u>

17. Do captain and crew share pay for trip expenses?

_____ YES

_____ NO Explain. _____

