

Marine Debris Encounter Report

This information is being used to help determine the economic cost of marine debris impacts to fisheries. These questions are not to be asked of any captain or crew. Data should be collected by observation only. This form is not PRA-approved.

Trip Number: _____

Position of encounter with debris (includes vessel, gear, and animals) or noteworthy sighting:

Latitude: _____° _____' N / S

Longitude: _____° _____' E / W (positions to nearest whole minute)

Date: _____

Time: _____

Incident Type:

Gear Interaction

Vessel Interaction

Entangled Species Caught
(e.g. swordfish entangled in debris)

Noteworthy or Unusual Debris Sightings (e.g., large collection of debris items, large debris objects, unusual debris)

Other (includes recovered ingested debris items): _____

Debris Type:

Net

Rope

Monofilament line

Lumber/building material (must be manmade)

Metal (describe): _____

Other (describe): _____

Cloth

Plastic sheeting

Floats

FAD (Fish Aggregating Device)

Natural debris (e.g., logs/tree trunks)

Biota Type (on or living in net) – List species names if known:

Fish _____

Crustaceans _____

Encrusting organisms _____

NO biota/organisms present _____

Other (describe): _____

Description of incident type or noteworthy sighting and debris object/material (describe the type of incident in more detail, why you think the sighting is noteworthy, diameter or width, length, colors and biota living on the debris): _____

Weight: (est.) _____ lbs

Photos: Y / N

Debris brought on board? Y / N

Length of downtime: _____ hrs

Description of downtime and cost (describe what was done during downtime (e.g. propeller disentangled by divers) and details of cost if known): _____

