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HAWAII PELAGIC LONGLINE COST-EARNINGS QUESTIONNAIRE

FOR 20XX OPERATIONS

Survey date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Interviewer:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Vessel Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Vessels permit number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(can fill in later in office)

Interviewee’s name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Contact (phone): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Interviewee’s position: (Please select one) ❑Vessel/business owner (not vessel operator) ❑ Owner operator ❑ Hired captain ❑ Vessel manager ❑ Other (Please specify)**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

# I. About the Owner OR Owner-Operator

1. How many longline fishing vessels did **you or your company** own with Hawaii longline permits in 20XX?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ # of active vessels in 20XX

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_# of permitted non-active vessels in 20XX

1. When did you first own a longline vessel in the Hawaii longline fishery? \_\_\_\_\_\_ year;

2a: Do you currently live in Hawaii?  Yes  No

1. Did you captain this longline vessel in 20XX? ❑ Yes ❑ No

If YES*,* did you captain all the trips taken by this vessel in 20XX? ❑ Yes ❑ No

In 20XX, what percentage of this vessel’s trips did the owner operator take? \_\_\_\_\_%

1. Last year (20XX), did you land and sell any fish on the West Coast? ❑ Yes ❑ No

**If YES**, why did you decide to land on the West Coast, instead Hawaii? (Check all that apply)

❑ Better prices on the West Coast

❑ Needed to pick up crew

❑ Needed to go to a West Coast dry dock

❑ Other (Please give details) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Did you own other businesses besides fishing in 20XX? ❑ Yes ❑ No

**5a.** If YES, how important was fishing to your company portfolio (in term of % of revenue) in 20XX? \_\_\_\_\_%

1. Where did you usually sell your fish and how much did you pay for handling fees in 20XX?

% \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of total landings sold to United Fishing Agency (Auction), **&** the handling fee was %\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_of revenue

% \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of total landings to other stores in Hawaii, **&** the handling fee was %\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of revenue

%\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of total landings to outside Hawaii, **&** the fee was %\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of revenue for handling

Other fee (such as Hawaii longline association) HLA \_\_\_\_% of revenue or $\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. In what year were you born \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-(optional question)

**II. About the Hired Captain and Crew** *(for owner operator, skip Questions #9 - 11 and go to #12)*

1. Was the hired captain in 20XX a family member or relative of the owner? ❑ Yes ❑ No
2. What was the hired captain’s age in 20XX? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_years
3. How many years has your hired captain been with your company? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years
4. Number of crew working on this vessel in 20XX NOT including the captain \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**11a**: number of local crew \_\_\_\_

**11b:** number of foreign crew \_\_\_\_\_\_ and where are they from

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Pilipino (# of crew)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Indonesian (# of crew)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Other (# of crew) Please give details \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Among the current crew, how many crew were on a renewed contract? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**III. About this Vessel**

1. What was this vessel’s fuel capacity in 20XX? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ gallons
2. What was this vessel’s fish holding capacity in 20XX? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ metric tons **or** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ lbs
3. When was this vessel purchased? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ year
4. What was the purchase price? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

16a. Did the purchase price include a permit? ❑Yes ❑ No.

16b. If NO, did you ❑ purchase it, ❑ lease it OR ❑ receive it from the initial allocation?

16c. If you purchased or leased it, in what year did that happen \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (year) AND what was the purchase price $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ OR lease price $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ per year?

1. What was the start-up cost for this vessel (the cost of getting it ready for fishing the first time after it was purchase)?

$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

18. When was the last appraisal for this vessel? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_year

1. What was the appraised value? $\_\_\_\_\_\_

20. When was the last major upgrade (not including the start-up upgrade) that would have changed the vessel’s market value?

\_\_\_\_\_\_ year

21. What was the cost of that upgrade? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

22. How much do you think your vessel (include all gear and equipment and permit) could be sold for? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. How much do you think your permit could be sold for? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**IV. Fixed Costs in 20XX (not including trip costs)**

24. How did you pay mooring fees, by trip or by month? ❑ by trip or ❑ by month

26a. Annual total mooring fees in 20XX? $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Did you hire a vessel manager/agent to manage land-based business related to fishing in 20XX? ❑ Yes ❑ No

**❑** Yes

❑ No

If YES, what was the agent’s fee? $ \_\_\_\_per trip, OR $ \_\_\_\_per month, OR $ \_\_\_\_ per year

If NO, what types of works did the owner usually do? (Check all that apply)

❑ Book keeping

❑ Buying parts

❑ Look for crew and captain

❑ Getting the boats ready to depart (such as getting supplies, parts, call PIRO)

❑ Others (Please describe)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. What was the annual insurance cost for this vessel in 20XX? $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ per year

26a. This included (Please check all that apply):

❑Vessel

❑ Liability (“P” and “I”)

❑ Health (Please specify who was covered) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

❑ Pollution

1. Did you have any vessel loan payments for this vessel in 20XX?

❑ Yes ❑ No

If YES, how much? $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ per month OR $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ per year)

1. Please list the types of ***routine maintenance*** (not including trip costs) for this vessel in 20XX and the annual cost of each

1) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Please list the major repairs (including dry dock if it was done in 20XX) and upgrades to this vessel in 20XX and the costs for each. This may include gear replacement, generators, engine transmission, gear box for engine, engine parts, spool, exhaust systems, etc. Do not include the routine maintenance and “start-up” costs listed above,

1)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. About dry-dock costs:

30a. How often do you dry dock this vessel? Every \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years

30b. When did you last dry dock this vessel? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ year

30c. How much did it cost (including maintenance, repairs and upgrades done during in the dry dock)? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

30d. If a dry dock was done in 20XX, were any major repairs listed in Q30 included in this cost? (ask this to avoid double counting) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Have you overhauled this vessel’s engine? ❑ Yes ❑ No

31a. How often do you overhaul the engine? Every \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years

31b. When did you last overhaul the engine? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ year

31c. How much did it cost? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Did I miss any items on other fixed costs? ❑ Yes ❑ No

32a. If YES, how much were the other fixed costs? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

32b. What were the other fixed costs for? (Please give details) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

**V. About Labor Costs in 20XX**

*In the following questions, the term ‘share’ (%) is interpreted as the part of the gross or net revenue from a fishing trip that was paid to the captain or crew. This is in contrast to a ‘flat rate’, which was paid per fishing trip or month regardless of the revenues from a fishing trip or month.* ***Trip revenue is defined as fish sales revenue. Net revenue is defined as trip revenue minus any trip costs that were deducted before calculating what the captain or crew were paid.***

1. In 20XX, how many people were paid from this vessel’s trip revenue and how were they paid? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (number of people)

33a: Owner ❑ Shares \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% of ❑ gross revenue or ❑ net revenue

33b: Vessel manager ❑ Flat rate $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ❑ per trip or ❑per month

**Or** ❑ Shares \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% of ❑ gross revenue or ❑ net revenue

33c: Captain ❑ Shares \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% of ❑ gross revenue or ❑ net revenue

33d: Crew \_\_\_\_\_\_# of Crew ❑ Shares \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% of ❑ gross revenue or ❑ net revenue

\_\_\_\_\_\_# of Crew ❑ Flat rate only

\_\_\_\_\_\_# of Crew ❑ Flat rate & bonus

If bonuses were paid, please describe how they were determined or explain the bonus schedule.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Initial cost/payment to retain a foreign/non-local crewmember?

34a. Initial payments for foreign crew (including agent fees, airfare/tickets, transit (min. 30 days from Samoa or Ensenada, etc.))

$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ per crew in in recruitment

34b. Non-local/Micronesian crew (fee for green cards, medical, etc.) $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ per crew

34c. Average years for a new contract/foreign crew that initial payment occurred \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years

1. If shares were based on by net revenue, which of the following trip expenses did you subtract from the trip revenue to get net revenue (**for shares**)

Common trip cost items:

❑ Fuel ❑ Bait ❑ Provision ❑ Fishing gear ❑ Engine oil ❑ Communications

Other types of costs:

❑ Agent fee, insurance, parts for repairs

❑ Other (Please specify)\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Please use the table below to list the information for each crew position on this vessel in 20XX (related on # Question 34)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Position** | **Foreigner**  (Y/N) | **Shares**  **%** | **Share of Trip**  **or**  **Net Revenue** | **Flat Rate**  (Per Trip or  Month) | **Bonuses**  (Per Trip  Month or pound caught | **Initial Payment**  (when hired) | **What Year**  (for initial payment) |
| Owner/Operator |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% | ❑Trip  ❑Ne |  |  |  |  |
| Hired Captain |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% | ❑Trip  ❑Net | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ❑Per trip  ❑Per month | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ❑Per trip  ❑Per month  ❑Per pound caught |  |  |
| Crewmember 1 | ❑Yes  ❑No | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% | ❑Trip  ❑Net | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ❑Per trip  ❑Per month | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ❑Per trip  ❑Per month  ❑Per pound caught | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| Crewmember 2 | ❑Yes  ❑No | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% | ❑Trip  ❑Net | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ❑Per trip❑  ❑Per month | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ❑Per trip  ❑Per month  ❑Per pound caught | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| Crewmember 3 | ❑Yes  ❑No | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% | ❑Trip  ❑Net | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ❑Per trip  ❑Per month | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ❑Per trip  ❑Per month  ❑Per pound caught | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| Crewmember 4 | ❑Yes  ❑No | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% | ❑Trip  ❑Net | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ❑Per trip  ❑Per month | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ❑Per trip  ❑Per month  ❑Per pound caught | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| Crewmember 5 | ❑Yes  ❑No | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% | ❑Trip  ❑Net | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ❑Per trip  ❑Per month | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ❑Per trip  ❑Per month  ❑Per pound caught | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| Crewmember 6 | ❑Yes  ❑No | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% | ❑Trip  ❑Net | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ❑Per trip  ❑Per month | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ❑Per trip  ❑Per month  ❑Per pound caught | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |

**VI. Trip Costs in 20XX** (Only for the vessels without any cost data collected from the observers)

1. Did your vessel conduct tuna and swordfish trips in 20XX? (Please select one)

❑ Only tuna

❑ Only swordfish

❑ Both tuna and swordfish

1. If this vessel took both tuna and swordfish trips in 20XX or did that previously, were there any costs for switching between gear types? ❑ Yes ❑ No

38a. If YES, what was the cost to switch **from swordfish** fishing to tuna fishing (cash and labor)? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

38b. If YES, what was the cost to switch **from tuna fishing** to swordfish fishing (cash and labor)? $: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. How much did you “average” 20XX **tuna trip** cost? (skip if they took no tuna trips)$\_\_\_\_\_

How much did you “average” 20XX **swordfish** **trip** cost? (skip if they took no swordfish trips) $\_\_\_\_\_

1. For your **20XX tuna trips**, how much did you spend on “average” per trip for each of the following? (skip if they took no tuna trips)
2. Fuel cost per trip: Fuel used: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Gallons, Fuel price ($/gallon)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Fuel cost $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Bait cost per trip: Bait used: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Boxes, Bait price ($ per box)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Bait cost $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. Oil cost per trip (include engine oil & hydraulic oil): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ gallons per trip, and total oil cost per trip = $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. Ice cost per trip $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. Fishing gear costs per trip $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
7. Provisions (food) costs per trip $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
8. Communications per trip $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

41. For your 20XX **swordfish trips**, how much did you spend on “average” per trip for each of the following? (skip if they took no swordfish trips)

1. Fuel cost per trip : Fuel used: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Gallons, Fuel price ($/gallon)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Fuel cost $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Bait cost per trip: Bait used: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Boxes, Bait price ($ per box)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Bait cost $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Oil cost per trip (include engine oil & hydraulic oil): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ gallons per trip, and total oil cost per trip = $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. Ice cost per trip $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. Fishing gear costs per trip $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. Provisions (food) costs per trip $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
7. Communications per trip $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
8. Lightstick costs per trip $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**VII. Industry Perspectives**

42. Did you substantially change your fishing activities in 202X?   No    Yes

If YES, please answer the following questions.

How did you change your fishing activities in 202X?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What were the main reasons you made those changes?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

By what percentage did each of the following increase or decrease for your vessel(s) in 202X due to those changes?  (Please enter “0” if there was no change)

Landings decreased by \_\_\_\_\_\_% OR increased by\_\_\_\_\_\_%

Fishing revenues decreased by \_\_\_\_\_\_% OR increased by\_\_\_\_\_\_%

Total operating costs decreased by \_\_\_\_\_\_% OR increased by\_\_\_\_\_\_%

Crew size decreased by \_\_\_\_\_\_% OR increased by\_\_\_\_\_\_%

43. Did you substantially change your non-fishing activities in 202X?   No    Yes

If YES, please answer the following questions.

Why did you substantially change your non-fishing activities in 202X? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How did you change your non-fishing activities in 202X?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What were the main reasons you made those changes?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. What are the **three** biggest constrains or challenges that impact the economic performance of your fishing business
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. Open Ended Questions: Is there anything else you would like to say? (present challenges, COVID-19 pandemic, comments on fishing management)

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