NOAA Pacific Islands Regional Office, Observer Program

**Marine Debris Encounter Report**

This information is being used to help determine the economic cost of marine debris impacts to fisheries.

**Trip Number:** ____________

**Position of Encounter with Debris (includes vessel, gear and animals)**

- Latitude: ___°___’ N / S
- Longitude: ___°___’ E / W (positions to nearest whole minute)
- Date: ____________
- Time: ____________

**Incident Type:**

- □ Gear Interaction
- □ Vessel Interaction
- □ Entangled Species Caught (e.g. entangled swordfish)
- □ Noteworthy Sightings (e.g., large collection of small debris items, large debris objects, etc.)
- □ Other (includes recovered ingested debris items): ____________

**Debris Type:**

- □ Net
- □ Rope
- □ Monofilament line
- □ Metal (describe): ______________________
- □ Cloth
- □ Plastic sheeting
- □ Floats
- □ FAD (Fish Aggregating Device)
- □ Other (describe): _________________________________________________________

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

- □ Fish __________________________________________
- □ Crustaceans ______________________________________
- □ Encrusting organisms ____________________________

**Description of incident type and debris object/material:** (describe the type of incident in more detail, diameter or width, length, colors and biota living on the debris)

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**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):

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