

6 JANUARY 1981 SLP largest adult female 14 JAN
 TUESDAY Release

S - 107.9 cm x 84.0 cm

5107 RFL C - 112.8 cm x 105.0 cm

5108^{FL} (Through scale)

3726 LFL

HEAD - 16 cm

Very light "bleached-out" color to carapace, head, and flippers. Right hind flipper is bitten up into a stub. Margins on right posterior side are missing - have been ever since I first saw this turtle many years ago. This turtle could possibly have been in captivity since 1965 - (see early data sheets). Shoulder areas, particularly left anterior, is bitten and scabbed. Turtle dumped off truck off Makai Pier^{2:10AM}. Swam rapidly out underwater - surfacing (not seen, although we watched for ~15 minutes). Scabby flakes in water where turtle hit with force.

14 JANUARY 81 - Released Tuamotu turtle at Bellows, Site #1, ~3PM.
Trapped for a short time by rock of breakwater - swimming slowly out when last seen.

2081 - removed from left distal flipper, where dorsal knobby growth occurred. Reapplied through 4th scale, Right front flipper.

2497 RFL S - 56.7 cm x 46.2

5051 RFL^{new} C - 60.4 cm x 53.5

PL-46.0; HEAD-8.5; TAIL 11.5. WT 54 lbs
LIGHT yellow plastron, and orange carapace (PHOTOS).
Old FREON "BURN" created depigmented area on left hind dorsal flipper.

14-15 JANUARY 1981 BELLOWS NETTING
Wednesday - Thursday

-6PM 2 sections of net laid out somewhat parallel to site #1 jetty - calm seas.

A 10:30 AM 1/15/81 Alan saw a turtle for a short time ~150' out from end of jetty.

During AM a small plane circled offshore while 2 boats motored in circles, setting nets apparently for a kule (?). Also, row boat in tow. Drainage canal water is brown, obviously from digging/construction work occurring at highway.

Nets taken out at 12:30 PM.
No jetty fish or turtle feces seen on the beach. Very cold night with dew - sunny and calm with some southerly wind on 1/15/81.

Total time - 18.5 hours

	HIGH		LOW	
Time	Hr.	Time	Hr.	
12:00 a.m.	1.5	6:13 a.m.	0.6	
WED. 10:44 a.m.	1.0	5:23 p.m.	-0.2	
15 12:50 a.m.	1.8	7:45 a.m.	0.5	
THU. 12:00 m.	0.8	6:11 p.m.	-0.2	

Waimanalo -1:17 -1:12 +0.92 +0.92

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