

PISCES V DIVE REPORT

Pilot: Terry Kerby Dive #: P5-877 Date: Nov 2, 2016
 Observer 1: Brendan Reark
 Affiliation: TAMU Dive Location: N. site SE Hancock
 Observer 2: Ellen Bartow-Gillies Latitude: 29°49.323' N
 Affiliation: TAMU Longitude: 179°03.850' E
 Purpose: Research Training Test Time of Dive: 0746
 Equipment Used: Time of Surface: 1736
 Cameras: Mini Zeus HD - ROS 5D Time Submerged: 9:50
 Manipulators: Titan 4 - HYCO Time Thru Last Dive: 3882:53
 Samplers & Sensors: CTD, Bio Boxes Total Time to Dive: 3892:43
Fish trap Dive Depth: 805m 2640ft.
 Support Vessel: R/V Ka'imikai-O-Kanaloa Water Depth: 805m
 Captain: Mike Hoshlyk Water Temperature: 4.8°C @ 805m

Dive Narrative: Two sub dive to conduct coral sample collecting and surveys of the N SE Hancock site. 0838 Land in steep rocky basalt terrain in 803m. Land in a steep drainage gully between vertical basalt walls. 0853 Collecting cup corals from debris. 0859 805m Move upslope from landing site to the South. Searching for a place to deploy the fish trap. Moving along vertical basalt walls. Sharp ridges extend from the walls and form pinnacle features standing off the wall with deep drainage gullies full of madrapora coral debris. Madrapora seems to thrive on these pinnacles and sharp ridges. 0949 Deploy bait trap and marker #1 on a flat shelflike area on one of the pinnacle features. 1000 Moving upslope collecting samples. Many red corals growing in madrapora rubble. No dredge lines, nets, or wrecking balls in this area. 1045 689m On top of a pinnacle that is the source for the medrapora coral debris. We had discovered condensed bales of Medrapora debris

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in drainage gullies and could see barren areas
with a dark compost like madrapora base where the
1.5 m thick bales broke away and tumbled down the
cliffs. 1050 Moving upslope to the South. Collecting
samples. 1158 Collecting red coral samples off a
vertical wall at 642m. 1214 638m On top of another
pinnacle feature that is a source for Madrapora. Move
upslope. 1308 602m. In a deep gully between vertical
basalt walls collecting samples. Good stuff at the
base of the walls. 1314 602m Moving upslope to the
S. Collecting samples. 1402 598m Move NE and back
down vertical terrain to locate bait trap. 1459 Locate
and recover bait trap. 1509 Move East along vertical
terrain. Collecting samples off a vertical wall. P4 arrives
1530 P4 leaves the bottom. 1543 Move East 1552 680m
Out of madrapora debris. Turn around and move West.
Collecting samples 1646 Leave the bottom from 641m.

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