

TABLE 3. Summary of Biological Observations Made at Transect BP-1-B, 2.2 km Inshore and Northeast of Barbers Point Ocean Outfall Terminus, on 14 May 1996

| | | Percent Cover | | | | |
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| I. Quadrat Survey | | Quadrat Distance Along Transect | | | | |
| | | 0 m | 5 m | 10 m | 15 m | 20 m |
| Algae | | | | | | |
| <i>Porolithon onkodes</i> | | | | 1.5 | | |
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| Sponges | | | | | | |
| <i>Chondrosia chucalla</i> | 0.3 | | | 0.2 | 0.4 | |
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| Corals | | | | | | |
| <i>Porites lobata</i> | 6.8 | 2.3 | 14.0 | 2.1 | 82.0 | |
| <i>Porites compressa</i> | 1.4 | | | 2.8 | 4.0 | |
| <i>Pocillopora meandrina</i> | | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 | | |
| <i>Montipora patula</i> | | | 0.8 | 1.0 | | |
| <i>Pavona duerdeni</i> | | | 0.3 | | | |
| <i>Fungia scutaria</i> | | | | 0.1 | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Sand | 3.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 1.0 | | |
| Rubble | 70.5 | 86.3 | 60.0 | 73.5 | | |
| Hard Substratum | 18.0 | 5.0 | 17.0 | 19.0 | 14.0 | |

| II. Macroinvertebrate Census (4 m ∞ 20 m) | No. of Individuals | | | | |
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| Phylum Mollusca | | | | | |
| <i>Spondylus tenebrosus</i> | 1 | | | | |
| <i>Conus leopardus</i> | 1 | | | | |
| <i>Lithophaga</i> sp. | 2 | | | | |
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| Phylum Annelida | | | | | |
| <i>Spirobranchus giganteus corniculatus</i> | 5 | | | | |
| <i>Sabellastarte sanctijosephi</i> | 1 | | | | |
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| Phylum Echinodermata | | | | | |
| <i>Linckia diplax</i> | 1 | | | | |

| III. Fish Census (4 m ∞ 20 m) | | | | | |
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| 40 Species | | | | | |
| 370 Individuals | | | | | |
| Estimated Standing Crop = 290 g/m ² | | | | | |

NOTE: Results of the 5-m² quadrat sampling (visual appraisal) of the benthic community are presented in Part I, counts of diurnally exposed macroinvertebrates are given in Part II, and a summary of the fish census is presented in Part III. Water

depth ranges from 14.9 to 15.8 m; mean coral coverage is 23.7% (visual quadrat method).