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1.1 INTRODUCTION

The Puerto Rico Nuclear Center of the University of Puerto Rico has been under contract to the Puerto Rico Water Resources Authority since 1972 to conduct site selection Surveys and environmental research studies of seven coastal sites. Experience gained from these investigations will add to the knowledge about these areas, and provide useful data which will aid in the assessment of the desirability and practicability of locating power generating facilities on

One or more of these sites.

Puerto Rico Nuclear Center scientists have studied the physical, chemical and geological parameters of the sites, and the ecological parameters of zooplankton, benthic invertebrate and fish communities. Plant associations, except for the Cabo Rojo Platform site, have been included,

The sites chosen for study were: Tortuguero Bay, Punta Manati, Punta Higuero, Cabo Rojo Platform, Punta Verraco, and?Cabo Mala Pasctia (see Figure 1.1-Fi).. The Seventh site, Barrio Islote, was studied and reported under @ separate contract.

The reports in order of their dates of completion are:

Tortuguero Bay Environmental Studies April 1, 1975

Punta Manati Environmental Studies April 18, 1975

Punta Higuero Environmental Studies May 1, 1875

(previous studies of Punta Higuero, also referred to as "Rincon" or "the BONUS site? have been

reported in Wood et al., 1974),

Cabo Rojo Platform Environmental Studies May 15, 1975

Punta Verraco Environmental Studies June 1) 1975,

Cabo Mala Pascua Environmental Studies June 13, 1975

?The present report on Cabo Mala Pascua concludes this series of reports. For environmental research study reports on the Barrio Islote site, see Final Report of Environmental Research Studies for a North Coast Nuclear Power Plant (June, 1975).

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2a PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PARAMETERS

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2.1.1 INTRODUCTION

?The Cabo Mala Pascua site is located on the southeast corner of the island of Puerto Rico (Figure 2.1-F1). The

Sampling program has been centered on a valley immediately west of Cabo Mala Pascua. The point at Cabo Mala Pascua rises very steeply within 700 meters from the shore to a height of 323 meters. The only other location suitable for building power plants is in the Maunabo River flood plain on the east side of Cabo Mala Pascua. The sampling zone lies between Punta Tuna to the east end Punta Viento to the west (Figure

Some preliminary work was done in 1972 at Punta Viento (Beck, 1972)". The Cabo Mala Pascua site work began with currents in late 1972 followed by other work in 1973 and 1974. The factors affecting nearshore currents such as winds, tides, bathymetry and density structure of the water column are discussed in the following sections.

2.1.2. TIDES

The tidal waves that affect the south coast of Puerto Rico have their amphidromic point in the eastern Caribbean Sea. The waves move in a counterclockwise direction (Anikouchine and Sternberg, 1973), that is, from east to west past Cabo

At Pascua. The south coast tides are diurnal. Two waves exist, but one is dominant for about ten days, followed by about four days of neap tide conditions as one wave decreases in amplitude and the second wave builds. Then, the second wave is dominant for about ten days. Predicted tides for the South coast are shown in Figure 2.1:F2. These predictions were made from the National Oceanic Survey (1972).

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The tidal excursion is about 25 + 15 cm, The tidal plot in Figure 2.1-F2 is for the period November 14-16, 1972 covering a period of current measurements using dye marker discussed below.

2.1.3. CURRENTS

Ocean currents in the Caribbean Sea flow generally to the west northwest with velocities at times in excess of 1

knot (50.83 cm/sec). The current near the south coast of Puerto

Rico rarely exceeds 0.5 knots (25 cm/sec).

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Fig. 2.1-F2 Diurnal tides at Cabo Mala Pascua covering one of the periods of

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The current pattern near Cabo Mala Pascua is affected by wind, tide, river discharge and the shape of the shoreline.

The wind is predominantly out of the east (Wood, 1975a) tending to come from the east southeast during the day with wind-day velocities of about 7.5 m/sec (15 knots). Four out of the six major hurricanes that hit Puerto Rico since 1893 struck at Cabo Mala Pascua. This tends to push surface water onshore toward the west. Back eddies form at times on the lee sides of Punta Tuna and Cabo Mala Pascua.

No major embayments exist near Cabo Mala Pascua, therefore the tidal effect is small and tends to be overshadowed by the dominant offshore current and by the prevailing winds.

Current studies reported by the Oceanographic Section of Public Works (1972) were made east and west of Cabo Mala Pascua. They experienced anomalies in the dominant westward flow that were difficult to interpret. They found little correlation with tides. However, I feel they may have misinterpreted the tide book as it is complicated to predict tides for the south coast of Puerto Rico without a basic understanding of the factors involved.

There is a considerable flow to the north around the east end of Puerto Rico as evidenced by flows reported by Public Works (1972). The open sea currents seem to split near the southeast corner of the island with one flow to the west

along the south coast and the other north along the east coast.

Variable currents would then be expected for Cabo Mala Pascua.

Measurements in the Vieques Passage showed that the flood current went to the west and ebb current to the east (Public Works, 1972).

Currents at Punta Viento were measured by PRNC staff in 1972 and reported by Beck (1972). Surface currents tended to be onshore to the northwest while subsurface currents were offshore and varied from southwest to southeast. Little tidal effect was seen.

Currents at Cabo Mala Pascua were measured using dye @rops and aerial photography in the morning and again in the afternoon of November 15, 1972. The first drop started shortly before 0900 in the spots? shown in Figure 2.1-F3 which coincided with low tide (Figure 2.1-F2). The currents were very weak,

but most tended to the west. ?The current near the garbage dump at Cabo Mala Pascua (drop #i) started to the east as did drop #8.

Drop #8 turned west slowly as the tide began to rise, but drop #4 continued to the east for about one hour at about 11 cm/sec before turning slightly seaward and then west. Drop #6 started west, then turned shoreward toward drop #3. Drop #2 went into

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the shallow nearshore reef zone, split, and then most of the dye went offshore to the southwest, possibly subsurface. The most westerly drops, #1 and #5, travelled west at 13 and 11 cm/sec, respectively.

The motion of the afternoon drops is shown in Figure 2.1-F4. All dye spots moved west with velocities of 4 to 18 cm/sec. The fastest currents were nearshore adjacent Cabo Nala Pasqua (drops #3 and #4) and the slowest was drop #5. Drop #1 disappeared soon after being put in place. It started to the West then dissipated in surf. The tide was in full flood and the afternoon wind was from the east southeast during the period of measurements. The afternoon currents had the highest velocities between 1325 and 1435, then seemed to decrease between 1435 and 1535. Individual current velocities are shown in

Table 2.1-T1,

TABLE 2.4-Tt Dye studies at Cabo Mala Pascua, November 15, 1972

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?The aerial photographs showed a definite contribution of turbid water from the Maunabo River to the nearshore region, especially around Cabo Mala Pascua in the afternoon. Some turbid water also flowed westward around Punta Tuna

Current measurements in the vicinity of Cabo Mala Pascua indicate that the flow is generally to the west with velocities of 4 to 18 cm/sec (.08 to .36 knots). The surface currents tend to be onshore to the west while subsurface currents tend to be offshore and variable in direction. The wind affects

the currents more than the tides. However, the trend seems to be that flood current is to the west while ebb current is to the east.

2.1.4 BATHYMETRY

The Puerto Rico Nuclear Center has undertaken no detailed bathymetry of the Cabo Mala Pascua site beyond that done during benthic and hydrographic samplings. The COO Charts 302, and 928 (National Ocean Survey, 1972) are inadequate, especially with regard to the definition of shelf edge and deep water soundings south of the outer reefs. Also there are some discrepancies in the shallow regions caused by coral growth and shifting sediments. The contour lines shown in Figure 2,1-F1 and the depth profiles in Figure 21-3 were drawn using depths shown in the above mentioned charts and sonic depths obtained during hydrographic work.

The shallow region immediately west of Punta Tuna is slightly protected from the dominant wavetrain and receives sediments from the Maunabo River. This high siltation retards coral growth to Cabo Mala Pascua. Nearshore coral reefs exist westward from Cabo Mala Pascua to the bay just east of Punta Viento. A shallow basin exists seaward of these nearshore

reefs bounded on the south by a series of long narrow reefs about 2 kilometers off and parallel to the shoreline. The seaward side of these outer reefs mark the shelf edge. The shelf slope is very steep in this region especially between Cabo Mala Pascua and Punta Tuna where the bottom drops from 20 meters to over 1000 meters in a distance of 2 kilometers as shown in Figure 2.1-F5.

2.1.5. TEMPERATURE, SALINITY AND DENSITY

The physical parameters of temperature and salinity

were measured at the Cabo Mala Pascua site on seven cruises

Covering four seasons (Table 2.1-T2).

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Fig. 21-15 Bottom profiles along the sampling transects of the Cabo Mala Pascua site

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The hydrographic sampling stations are shown in Figure 2.1-F1, Five transects were sampled on most cruises. The transects are nearly normal to the shoreline, each with three Stations were most shoreward, the

88 of 125 meters of water, and the most seaward stations ("C") were in excess of 325 meters. Fourteen depths were sampled on each transect. Temperatures were measured using deep-sea reversing thermometers with readings accurate to $\pm 0.03^{\circ}\text{C}$, Salinities were determined with an induction Salinometer to an accuracy of $\pm 0.005\text{‰}$. The values are included in a report of hydrographic data for the south coast of Puerto Rico (Wood and Asencio 1975). These data were converted to standard depths and averaged by season and type of stations. The sampling, analytical and data processing procedures are described in "A Manual for Hydrographic Cruises (Wood 1975).

Temperature

Temperatures were determined using reversing thermometers in pairs, or in triplicate when possible. Although only one temperature is shown on the computer printout of the data (Wood and Asencio 1975) for each depth, these values are often the average of two or three thermometers. Most temperatures below 50 meters were measured using both "protected" and "unprotected" reversing thermometers. A thermometer depth, T_d , was then calculated for the sampling depths and correlated quite well with the calculated depth, CZ, obtained from the amount of hydrowire paid out, WZ, and the cosine of the wire angle, θ . A comparison of some of these depths was made for the Punta Verraco site report (Wood et al., 1975).

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The data were averaged by a computer program which first interpolated between the depths sampled to provide temperatures (and other hydrographic parameters) at "standard depths." The averaged standard depth temperatures and salinities

are plotted by season in Figure 2.1-F6, The diagonal lines indicate density as σ_t . Depth is not shown on the plot, but generally increases to the lower right corner of the plot, i.e., density increases with depth. Very little change is seen Seasonally where σ_t is greater than 26.0. However, a definite change can be seen in the lower densities (surface waters), The temperature increases between winter and summer, while salinity increases between fall and spring.

The averaging for the depth profiles was done first for all stations by season (Figures 2.1-F7, 9, 11 and 13) then by type of station by season (Figures 2.1-F8, 10, 12 and 14), The tabulated data are in Appendix 2. 1A.

A comparison of the averaged σ_t station standard depth temperature data by season is shown in Figure 2.1-F15. A sequence of events can be seen from this comparison. Surface thermocline (100 m) occurred in the winter and is caused by cooling and deep mixing by winter storms. This mixing process tends to carry heat to the depths so that the highest temperatures between 100 and 200 meters occur during the winter and spring. (This condition is part of a phenomenon one might call "seasonal lag.")

Little seasonal change was seen below 150 meters except that the fall temperatures were generally lower than the other

Seasons. There was a general temperature decrease in the 100 to 200 meter depth interval between winter and fall. The

thermocline during spring was 50 meters and in the summer and fall was about 25 meters with a temperature inversion existing in the fall as Surface cooling and land runoff occurred.

Surface temperatures were at a maximum in the summer (28.3°). There was an average temperature range of about 2.3° between summer and winter in the nearshore surface water at Cabo Mala Pascua.

Very little change in surface temperatures with distance from shore was seen at Cabo Mala Pascua. Slightly warmer nearshore temperatures existed in spring and summer and slightly cooler temperatures in the fall. "Nearly uniform surface temperatures were noted in the infrared Scans made

here, also, (Wood 1975a) except for slightly cooler than ambient temperatures in the plume of the Maunabo River.

Temperature depth profiles were obtained at all stations by lowering a bathythermography, BT, to 300 meters.

The BT traces are in Appendix 2.1B.

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Salinity, ‰, is the total salt content of water expressed in parts per thousand. It is used along with temperature to typify ocean water masses. Low salinity usually occurs at the surface and indicates dilution by precipitation, runoff, or fresh water intrusions. High salinities are found in subtropical regions and are the result of high rates of evaporation. The salinities at Cabo Nala Pascua were determined using an induction salinometer with the readings good to better than ± 0.005 ‰. The average seasonal salinity data are shown plotted against depth with the other hydrographic parameters in Figures 2.1-F? through Fide. In general, the salinities increased with depth to about 150 meters

then decreased slightly, The layer of high salinity water with @ maximum of about 37.08/00 was formed by evaporation in the subtropical North Atlantic Ocean,

A comparison of the averaged "C" station data by season is shown in Figure 2.1-F10. The lowest surface salinities are found in the fall season coinciding with the end of the tropical rainy season. The highest surface salinities occur in the spring toward the end of the winter-spring dry season. The salinity depth profiles are very similar, below 75 meters for all seasons except fall. A sharp pycnocline exists at about 50 meters during the fall where the salinity increases from about, 33.7 to 36.9‰ between the depths of 25 and 100 Meters. The Salinity maximum is shallower for the fall season fo. Little Seasonal change was noticed below 150 meters Where the salinity decreased from 36.8 to about 36.4‰ 300 meters except that the winter salinities were slight higher than for other seasons.

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Little difference was seen in surface salinities with

distance from shore for all seasons except fall. The affect of the summer-fall wet season is reflected in low salinity values caused by land runoff.

Density

Water densities were calculated from temperature and salinity data and included with the other parameters as σ_t . σ_t is related to density at the temperature measured, t , by the following relationship?

$$\sigma_t = 1) \times 10^5 (\text{kg m}^{-3})$$

Changes in σ_t with depth are an indication of the stability of the water column. A small σ_t gradient indicates a well-mixed or unstable zone, whereas a high gradient is indicative of a very stable portion of the water column. The surface layer usually has @ very small density gradient because

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surface water density decreases because of dilution and fairly

There was no significant difference in surface density
with distance from shore except during the fall season when
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2.2 CHEMISTRY

2.2.1 DISSOLVED OXYGEN

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the discharge of wastes from agricultural, municipal or industrial sources may contain such high nutrient levels that they cause eutrophication and local ecological degradation.

Reactive phosphate can be determined quickly and accurately with the Murphy and Riley molybdate blue complex method (Strickland and Parson, 1968) and is a good indicator of pollution. A limited number of nitrate analyses were performed on the waters off Cabo Mala Pascua. The tropical regions around Puerto Rico are generally deficient in surface water nutrients, especially nitrate. Reactive silica is usually not regarded as a pollution problem.

Reactive Phosphate

The concentration of reactive phosphate was generally low (ca 0.05 $\mu\text{g-at. P/t}$) in the surface waters off Cabo Mala Pascua as seen by the averaged "C" station seasonal phosphate profiles shown in Figure 2.2-F2. The phosphate values remained low with depth to nearly 200 meters before increasing to about 230 $\mu\text{g-at. P/t}$.

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There was very little difference in surface phosphate concentrations with distance from shore except in the fall. This anomaly coincided with low salinity (runoff) in the fall season.

Nitrate

Nitrate was determined by the cadmium-copper reduction method (Wood et al., 1967). A limited number of samples were analyzed for nitrate at Cabo Mala Pascua for the summer and fall seasons of 1974. The transect CMP-4 was sampled for nitrate in both the Summer and fall of 1974. The "A", "B" and "C" station data were averaged and the resulting depth profiles for the two seasons are shown plotted in Figure 2.2-F3." The Rearshore nitrate surface values were higher than those at the offshore stations for both summer and fall. Surface nitrate was generally low to 150 meters where a general increase began. The Values at 300 meters appear low in the summer season and

high in the fall season, Nitrates were near zero at 30 meters
in both summer and fall.

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Fig. 2.212 Averaged reactive phosphate depth profiles by season, 1973 and 1974

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3a GEOLOGICAL PARAMETERS AT CABO MALA PASCUA

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3.1.1 INTRODUCTION

?The geology of the Cabo Mala Pascua site has been described in Beck, 1972. Portions of that report will be repeated here along with a brief description of the marine sediments,

Cabo Mala Pascua itself is located on a wedge of volcanic rock which is very hard and resistant to erosion.

The plant site would most likely be located slightly to the west in a valley which is underlain by quartz-diorites and granite-like rock. Both rock types are Cretaceous in age

the diorite being considered part of the San Lorenzo batholith,

The Maunabo River flood plain lies to the east between the Mala Pascua and Punta Tuna. Another flood plain makes up Punta Viento. This alluvium covers dioritic bedrock,

Sediments

The sediment size distribution found at a particular location reflects two factors, supply and transport. Sediment samples were collected at all "A" stations and sieved. Plots of cumulative weight percent and weight percent histograms for the fine sediments are shown in Figures Se1-F1 and F2. The sieving statistics are tabulated in Table 3.1-T1.

TABLE 3.4-T1 Size analyses statistics for the Cabo Wala Pascua sediments.

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The major supply of sediment in the Cabo Mala Pascua region is the Maunabo River. Some sediments are carried around Tunta Tuna, also. The sediments at CMP-GA were very fine (M_e* 3.4). Fine sand and coarse silt might be expected here

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Jee of Punta Tuna offers a region where fine sediments may
be deposited.

Sediments at the other "A" stations were more coarse

(sand) especially on the windward side of points such as Punta Viento and Cabo Mala Pascua.

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4a ZOOPLANKTON STUDIES 1973 AND 1974

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4.1.1 INTRODUCTION

The following report provides estimates of the abundance and diversity of zooplankton in the surface waters along an eastern portion of the south coast of Puerto Rico. These data form one part of an environmental survey conducted by the Puerto Rico Nuclear Center. All collections were gathered in an area adjacent to the region proposed for the siting of a future power plant. Samples were gathered on 2 days during 1973 and 1974; 22 February, 23 May, 13 February, 23 April, 22 August, 14 November, and 12 December.

4.1.2 MATERIALS AND METHODS

Field Procedures

Zooplankton were collected with a 1/2 meter diameter cylinder-cone shaped nylon net. This net was designed to reduce clogging error (Smith et al., 1965), Mesh size was 233 microns. The net was towed from a 17 foot skiff in a circular path through the upper 2 meters. The speed of the vessel ranged from 2 and 3 knots (determined with a Sims yacht speedometer). The duration of a tow was 10 minutes. After each tow, before the cod end was removed, the net was washed with sea water with the aid of a battery driven pump (12 volt, Jabsco water-puppy). The catch was preserved in 4% sea water formalin buffered to pH 7.6. All samples were gathered during the daylight hours. The volume of water filtered through a net was estimated with a flowmeter (TSK or General Oceanics Nodel 2030) suspended off-center in the mouth of the net. The volumes usually ranged from 100 to 150 m³. The meters were calibrated every 2 months. Calibration factors fell within 8% of the mean.

At each site three tows were made in the area adjacent to the region where a power station may be located. Single

tows were taken at the other stations. The regions sampled
Were chosen in such a way as to collect within and around the
area where thermal alteration is likely to occur (Figure 4.1-F1).

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Laboratory Procedures

Within 24 hours after samples were collected the pit
was checked and adjusted, if necessary, to 7.60 If a

sample contained a noticeable conglomerate of phytoplankton

or detritus, the zooplankton were separated from such ma-

terial by gentle filtration through 202 micron mesh netting

Before estimates of biomass or numbers were made all organisms larger than 1 cm, usually hydrozoan medusae, were removed,

Biomass was calculated as wet volume (Ahlstrom and Thraikill, 1962). This estimate is subject to considerable error and should be viewed only as a rough measure of standing stock. The measurements were reproducible but are undoubtedly biased toward higher than actual values by the variable proportion of interstitial water and detritus.

The total number of organisms was estimated by Volumetric subsampling with replacement (Brinton 1962)

Three aliquots from each sample were counted, The abundance of major taxonomic groups of holoplankton and meroplankton were determined from dilutions of 300 to 500 organisms.

Copepods, usually the most numerous of the zooplankters, were identified to species.

All biomass and enumeration data were standardized to a per cubic meter basis or multiple thereof. Data were initially reduced with hand calculators (Hewlett Packard Model 45) and more recently with a computer (PDP-10). See Appendix 4.1A for a listing of the program,

4.1.3 RESULTS

A total of 46 samples was collected from 5 stations (Figure 4.1-F1). The abundances of several taxonomic groups of Zooplankton at each station have been determined (Tables 4.1-16 through T17). These data are arranged to facilitate comparisons among Sets of consecutive tows, nearshore tows, and offshore tows.

The densities of total zooplankton usually differed more between catches from different areas than between consecutive samples from one area. One measure of the variation between samples is the ratio formed by dividing the largest total number of zooplankton by the smallest within each set (Table 4.1-T1),

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TABLE TL, Summary of ratios between the highest and lowest density values of total zooplankton during each period.

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The ratios are similar but generally smaller than those observed in other coastal regions around Puerto Rico (Youngbluth 1975). Another way of judging differences between samples was determined by calculating the variance between consecutive samples and estimating the number of tows needed to detect various levels of difference (Table 401272). These data indicate that a large number of replicate

TABLE 61-12, Total zooplankton (log_y transformed) from 7 sets of replicate tows. The number of replicate tows (n) needed to detect a + 5-308 difference in density is indicated.*

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tows would be necessary to detect density differences at

the 5% level. However, on the average, differences of 20% can be noted with only 3 tows. Differences of 30% may be revealed with a single tow. Density estimates larger than

304 were found between nearshore and offshore catches. The range of density values during a sampling period was usually two to three-fold. Seasonal changes in the abundance of total zooplankton at any station or among all samples were within the same range (Table 4.1-T6). The highest concentrations occurred in December. These larger densities, however, probably represent the range of variation among tropical zooplankton communities in the coastal waters around Puerto Rico rather than a recurrent seasonal pulse since the 95% confidence intervals from each station overlap (Table 4.1-T3).

TABLE 4.1-19 Average density of all zooplankton collected.

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?These fluctuations in density refer primarily to holoplanktonic organisms since they composed, in most cases, 60 to 90% of the total zooplankton. Meroplankton formed 3. to 27% and were more numerous during April and August. The dominant meroplanktonic groups were prosobranch veligers and caridean larvae.

Fish eggs were abundant in this area forming 2 to 40% of the total zooplankton (Table 4.1-T4). The largest density 229/m³, was observed at Station 5 on 13 February 1974. Fish eggs were more numerous on this date than any other, averaging 177/m³ and forming 31% of all zooplankton collected. Most of the eggs were round and 0.5 to 2 mm in diameter. Oblong eggs were common. It is not known which groups of fish are represented by most of the eggs.

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TABLE 4.4-Te Summary of densities of fish eggs from all stations sampled at the Cabo Mala Pascua site.

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Diurnal changes in density were large in February and small in August. A detailed account of the magnitude of fluctuations? among, several groups has been reported earlier (Youngbluth 1974). Nearly all organisms were much more numerous at night during this period but only two groups were observed in greater numbers at night during August, the larvaceans and the gastropod larvae. Sea state and sky conditions were similar during each period, i.e. Calm and moonless at night, light chop and sunny during the day.

Copepods formed 60 to 85% of the zooplankton community. A total of 39 species was identified. Time did not allow a detailed examination of species abundances at

all stations, consequently, one sample from Station 2 for each period was selected for study. The entire sample was Scanned to form a species list and subsampled for quantitative analysis. Using these data, the species most numerous, those commonly observed, and others occasionally found are listed in Table 4.1-T5.

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TABLE 4.2A1-TS, Copepod populations observed at the Cabo Mala Pascua Site.

Species usually most numerous (7% individuals/n®)

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4.1.4 DISCUSSTON

?The variety and abundance of zooplankton observed
at the Cabo Mala Pascua site were similar throughout the

year. Diurnal changes in density varied. Large increases in nearly all groups were observed at night during February. In August no obvious differences were noticed except among larvaceans and prosobranch veligers.

Copepods always dominated the zooplankton community. The larvae of gastropods and decapods were the major meroplanktonic organisms. The largest proportion of meroplankton occurred during April and August. Fish eggs were very numerous during February 1974.

Limitations of the Data

The sampling program was designed to provide quantitative estimates of: 1) the standing stock of zooplankton, 2) the variety of major taxonomic groups, and 3) the diversity and abundance of the more numerous copepod species. The manner of field sampling determined the variety and biomass of organisms encountered. The data in this report are based on collections made in the surface waters during the daylight hours. The sampling gear and methods were kept uniform, i.e.,

net type, net mesh, towing speed, and depth range sampled.

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to obtain some measure of the variability between sample:

To obtain a better understanding of the zooplankton community

more sampling with replication should be done at frequent

intervals, at a greater number of stations, at different

depths, during the day and night, and during different seasons

for several years. Information gathered in these ways will

be necessary to interpret fluctuations in standing stock and

diversity in relation to environmental changes and biotic

interactions.

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4.2 BENTHIC INVERTEBRATES AND FISH STUDIES

by

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4.2.1 INTRODUCTION

This report gives the results of benthic and fish studies conducted at the Cabo Mala Pascua site from February 1973 through August 1974,

Most of the investigative effort involved mapping and describing major benthic communities. Quantitative samples were also taken in an attempt to assess the biological structure of selected communities, as well as to provide quantitative base line information.

The qualitative and quantitative descriptions of communities are important aspects of community studies.

However, these aspects represent only preliminary levels

of community investigations and are often insufficient

to satisfy the demands of contemporary environmental concerns.

It is often necessary to ascertain the direct effect of

a perturbation on populations of specific species and also

its secondary and tertiary ecological effects upon the

entire community

The role of such secondary or tertiary ecological

effects should not be underestimated. Several studies

have demonstrated that the structure and diversity of

ny natural communities are determined by ecological interactions (Dayton 1971; Paine 1966; Paine and Vadas 1969; Kitching and Ebling 1961; Huffaker 1959; Harper 1969).. In Such cases predictions based solely upon the direct effects of any physicochemical perturbation on single species populations would be inadequate and misleading if extrapolated to the community level.

What, then, is required to predict the effect on an environmental pollutant on a community? Of utmost importance is an insight into those factors responsible for the ecological organization of communities. Descriptive or structural aspects of communities, no matter how accurate or precise, provide only a static, steady state outlook upon a community. Species lists provide little insight into the interactions of their Component species populations. Diversity indices, which are derived from the biological structure of communities, are highly speculative in their origin and their ecological implications remain a point of controversy (Hedgpeth 1973, Fager 1972).

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What is needed is an awareness of the dynamic processes responsible for the control and regulation of a given community. This, in turn, entails a knowledge of the functional roles of various? species comprising the natural community.

With these considerations in mind, and after mapping the area, a series of preliminary field? experiments was begun in?May 1974 to ascertain the functional roles of the species in selected communities.

The gorgonian communities were selected as the major object of investigation during the latter phases of this

study, ?The gorgonians represent a dominant feature of the Benthic communities at the Cabo Mala Pascua site. The growth of gorgonians adds a considerable amount of physical structure and heterogeneity to the benthic environment.

Such physical structure greatly influences the remainder of the biological community (Elton 1966). Gorgonians may be useful indicators of environmental parameters such as wave action, currents, and turbidity, also. (Grigg 1972; Opresko 1975; Goldberg 1973; Kinzie 1973) -

4.2.2 MATERIALS AND METHODS

Field Procedures

Field stations are shown in Figure 4.2-F1 and Appendix

Field procedures were divided into three categories:

surveys, shore fish collections, and station dives.

Shore surveys. Shore surveys were descriptive in nature. The larger, more familiar organisms were identified in the field, specimens of smaller or unfamiliar organisms were collected and identified in the laboratory.

Shore fish collections. Both seining and rotenone were used to collect shoreline fish. Seining was done in a shallow *Thalassia* bed and the rotenone was used in a rocky beach environment.

Station dives. Station dives were made at the various stations to collect quantitative samples and to observe the presence of macroinvertebrates and fish. Gorgonians were collected in 1 m² (1 x 1 m) or 10 m² (2 x 5 m) quadrats depending upon the diversity of gorgonians and limitations of diving bottom time. Gorgonian samples were taken in April, August, and December 1974. Two replicate samples were usually taken.

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?The quadrats cleared of gorgonians in April were observed thereafter to assess the effect of established colonies on recruitment of new colonies.

Quantitative samples of infaunal and smaller epibenthic organisms were taken from 1/4 m² quadrats. These samples were placed in a plastic bag held as close to the sampling site as possible to minimize the loss of organisms. Substrate was removed with the aid of a hammer and chisel. Vicente (1974) provides further description of the sampling method.

Laboratory Procedures

Gorgonian samples were dried for several weeks, then weighed, measured and identified. The more familiar species were identified on the basis of external characteristics. Questionable individuals were identified with the aid of spicule preparations.

Other samples were sorted into phylogenetic groups and preserved in 70% ethyl alcohol or 10% formalin for later identification. Taxonomic references used to identify organisms are listed in the bibliography.

4.2.3 RESULTS:

Both rocky shore and sandy beach habitats are found at the Cabo Mala Pascua site. At the shoremost subtidal Stations the bottom consists of rock boulders, ledges, and sandy areas (Stations S11 and S12). At distances of about 500-1500 meters offshore sand dominates the bottom substrate (Stations 3, 2, S9, S10) although boulders were encountered in the vicinity of Station CS10. The most abundant encrusting organisms appear to be the zoanthid *Palythoa*. Gorgonian, coral, sponge, and fish species observed at Station 12 are listed in Appendix 4.2C. In general, the diversity (in the number of species) was less at the inshore stations than at hard-bottomed stations further offshore. For example, four genera of gorgonians were observed at Station S12 versus nine at Station S8. Shoreline fishes collected at the Cabo Mala Pascua site by rotenone and seining are listed in Appendix 4.2B. Organisms at shore stations S1 and S2 are listed in Appendix 4.2).

Several plant species were observed growing on the sandy substrate at Stations S2 and S3. Among these were *Caulerpa*, *Udotea*, *Halophila*, and *Halimeda* (see Appendix 4. °C). The dominant plant at Station S0 was *Halophila*.

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scaly Boulders at Station S10, harbored many organisms typically associated with hard substrates, including *Montipora*, *Agavonosea* and other hard corals, and several sponges *Cally-*

Spongia, *Vaginalis*, *Haliclona rubens*, *Verongia longissima*, and *treinta sp.*

The reefs, occurring about 2.5 kilometers offshore, offer the most visually impressive benthic communities (Stations S1, S5, S4, S6, S7, S8, S13). The rocky substrate contains relatively little topographic relief. No large outcrops, ledges, or depressions were encountered. The major features of the benthic fauna appeared similar in all offshore reef areas. A list of the larger organisms observed

at Station S8 is found in Appendix 4.2C. Although the Larger algae are conspicuously scarce, in general the richest diversity of larger benthic and fish life was observed at these offshore reef stations. For instance, three species of fish were observed at (inshore) Station S13 and 50 species at (offshore reef) Station 8.

Quantitative Samples

The epifaunal and infaunal organisms collected in two 1/4 m² substrate samples at Stations S1 and S7 are listed in Appendix 4.2. The distribution of individuals among species shows the same characteristics found in 1/4 m² quadrat samples collected from other sites. In particular, there is an equitable distribution of individuals among species. Eighty-two individuals were divided among 38 species at Station S1 (excluding algae) and 66 individuals among 30 species at Station S7. The species were represented by 66 and 674 single individuals, respectively. Of a total of 58 species, only 12 occurred in both samples. The lack of similarity between the samples in terms of species co-occurrences probably cannot be attributed to differences between the stations because samples taken within a few meters of each other at other sites have also shown a similar amount of disparity.

Gorgonian colonies were collected on 22 April 1974 from two 1 m² quadrats at Station 8. Overall colony density was 10.4 and 17.8 colonies per m² in the two subsamples. The three most abundant species (in decreasing order of abundance) were *Plexaura homonaila*, *Funicles clevigera* and *Plexaura flexuosa*. These species comprised about 71% of the total colonies. The relative abundances showed a significant correlation (Kendall-Tau = +0.71, p < 0.01) indicating that the relative abundances of the gorgonian community was adequately sampled.

On 22 August 1974 25 colonies were removed from the previously cleared areas. Only 13 colonies of an equivalent size range were collected on 22 April 1974, This indicates that the presence of old colonies inhibits the recruitment of new colonies,

4.2.4 DISCUSSION

?The intertidal biota observed at the Cabo Mala Pascua site are typical of this environment along the southeast coast of Puerto Rico (Glynn 1964).

The infaunal populations possess a high species diversity and an equitable distribution of individuals among species. This feature has been found to be common to all substrate samples taken at the Tortuguero Bay, Punta Manati and Punta Verraco sites, Due to high sampling variability, other features of the structure of this community could not be deduced.

?The greatest abundance of fish life was observed at the Cabo Mala Pascua site in rocky areas with moderately high topographic relief, This feature is common to several sites around the island and is probably related to the

shelter provided in such areas (Smith 1973). Only 13 (4/30) of the fish species identified at the permanent stations were observed during all three visits to that site. This indicates that only a small portion of the fish fauna are observed during any single dive.

Clearing experiments show that gorgonians play a role in the control and regulation of the benthic community at the Cabo Mala Pascua study site. The increase of recruitment rates of gorgonian colonies following the removal of all colonies indicates that the presence of established colonies limits the recruitment of other colonies. The mechanism by which this occurs is unknown. It is impossible to predict the effect of an environmental perturbation such as thermal pollution on this community at this time. However, it is not unlikely that the ultimate effects of thermal pollution will be manifested through its effect on the biological processes, responsible for the control and regulation of this community.

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4.3.1 INTRODUCTION

The general aspect of Cabo Mala Pascua is one of an advanced tertiary successional forest. It has a deceptive form in that the difference between wet and dry seasons is

30 pronounced. During the dry season the leaf area index. (LAT) is between 1 and 2 or as high as 3 on the ridges and northwest slopes of the hills. During wet seasons. the LAr changes to

~6 and the apparent dominant species shifts as trees and shrubs that stood bare previously begin to leaf out the

change seems to be from a xerophytic to a mesophytic forest in two weeks time.

The trees and shrubs found on the study site range from

Bucida buceras to Trichilia hirta and the vines are predominantly Acacia ripensis, Banisteria purpurea, and Stigmaphyllon lingulatum. No grasses or forbs were observed on the site; during either the wet or dry seasons. (See Appendix 4. 3A)

4.3.2 MATERIALS AND METHODS

The study site was walked twice, once during the winter months (dry, season) and again during the summer-f411 months (wet season).

4.3.3 SUMMARY

Three relevant points should be remembered.

(A) The forest is novel for Puerto Rico.

(B) As a tropical successional highly seasonal forest, it is likely to be easily disturbed.

(C) If the large highway now being planned for the area

is built, in view of points (A) and (B), there may be nothing left to protect,

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APPENDIX 4.20

Macroinvertebrates, algae and fish observed at

?selected stations at Cabo Mala Pascua

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Phylum Chtororiyta

Caulerpa noxicana

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Fenietilus capitatus

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Bates Flabeloun

?Deoten apinatoca,

Phylum Spermatophyta

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Phylum Poritera

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WeeriSulania nagsa

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Verongto Longisetna

Terongia op x

Recteepangia muta x

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Phylum Cnidaria

Class Anthozoa

Subclass Octocoralita

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Sengenta 2p.

Tunfeca 6p.

Sarfoeapeis ap.

Flexaure Flextosa

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Reeudspeeroamt Eerogorgia ep.

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Subelass Zoantharia

Acropora cervicornis

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Reandrina ep.

EiElepora sp.

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Phylum Chordata

Subphylum Vertebrata

Class Pisces

Family Dasyatidae

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Phytun Chordata

Family Muraenidae

Gymnothorax noringa

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Holocentrus. sp.

Syripristle Jacobus

Fantly Aulostomidae

Aulogtonus maculatus

Family Sphyraenidae

?Sphyracna barracuda

Fanity Serranidae

Cephalepholis fulva

Gea cerrante

Family Grammistieae

Rypticus sp.

Family Echeneidae

Echeneis

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Family Carangidae

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Fanity Lutjanidae

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Family Ponadasy!éae

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Family Sciaenidae

Equetus 9p.

Family Sparidae

Calamus bajonade

Family Mullidae

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APPENDIX 4,20 (continued)

Phylum Chordata (cont.)

Family Chaetodontidae

Pomacanthus

Scaevola

Prognathodes

Family Pomacentridae

Thromis cyanopterus

Thromis maculatus

Pomacentrus partitus

macenrad 5p.

Ely Labriviae

Noddanes rufus

falfchoeres sp.

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Family Seariéae

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Family Acanthuridas

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Cabo Mata Pascua shore collections

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Puylum Chlorophyta

Cauilerpa racemosa

GhanaotorTs pendeun

faitmeda opuntia

Pontius eapitatus x

Fonortius duretosus:

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Siva Tactucs

Phylum Phacophyta,

Dictyota oitiolata

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Phylum Rhodophyta

Sryothasnion triquetrum

Terantun sp.

Talaraura sp.

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Taurene?a papitiosa

Sclysipionts ep.

Phylum Spermatophyta

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Class Gastropoda

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Phylum Mollusca (continued)

Class Gastropoda

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Silunberre nereatoria

Diotora welaara

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Fisnmelia ap.

HenTtona Sctoradiata

Class Pelecypeda

Barbatia doainpensis

Codakia orbieutarts

Phylum Arthropoda

Order Decapoda

Suborder Arachyurs

Caltincer,

Werophrys aniliensis

Phylum Echinodermata

Class Fehinoidea

Tripmeustes esou

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Station B2

22 March 1979,

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APPENDIX 8 .2E

Species and individuals per species collected in 1/4 n?

?quadrat at Cabo ala Pascua

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Phylum Phaeophyta

Dictyota sp.

Phylum Rhodophyta

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Phylum Sfpuncul ida

Phylum Annelida

Chase Folychoeta

Arabella opatina

Tunfes Fucata

Tunlee ap.

Fermentia verruculoca

Tastmontce Kinbergit

?Papidonotus sp.

Tabrinerets serele. 5p-

Varphysa regalia

Narphysa sp

mens.

Weldon Kingergii

iefaion sp.

Fhyliodoce papitiosa

Family Serpulidae

syle sp.

Pxbale op.

Family Terebelliidae

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Phylum Mollusca

Class Gastropoda

Columbella mercatoria 1

Tucapina sowersi? 1

Class Pelecypoda:

Barbatia doninyensis 2

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Goralifophaga corallifophaga

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Phylum Arthropoda

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Ckrolana parva 4

?Spaereca valkert 3

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order Decapoda

Suborder Natantia

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Suborder Brechyura

Mithrae pleuracanthus :

Phylum Echinodermata

?Class Echinoides

Euctadarus tribuloides

Class Asterooides

Asteriniges sp 1

class Ophiurooides

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APPENDIX 4,26 (continued)

Family Auphiuridae

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Phylum Chordata

class Ascidacea

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APPENDIX 4.38

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VINES

Acacia riparia

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No grasses or forbs were located on the transects.

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