



ACTIVITY: Floating

CASE: [GSAF 29016.05.03](#)

DATE: Tuesday May 3, 2016

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Pacific Ocean off the northern end of Wailea Beach Park fronting Grand Wailea Resort, Maui, Hawaii, USA.

20°41'01.58"N, 156°26'37.73"W

NAME: Unknown

DESCRIPTION: A 59-year-old male.

BACKGROUND:

MOON PHASE: Waning Crescent, 12% of the Moon was illuminated. New Moon, May 6, 2016.

SEA CONDITIONS: The water was turbid.

DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 30 to 40 yards

DEPTH OF WATER: 15 to 20 feet

TIME: Before 15h49

NARRATIVE: The man was on his back on a flotation device when the incident took place. He said, "It felt like a boat hit me." Officers closed the beach from Polo Beach to Ulua Beach in Wailea until sunset.

INJURY: Minor lacerations to right shoulder

FIRST AID / TREATMENT: TJ McGuire, security supervisor at the Grand Wailea, helped

apply pressure to the man's shoulder while the injured man gave a statement to other rescue personnel. Then the man was transported by medics to Maui Memorial Medical Center for further treatment.

SPECIES: Not identified, however shark involvement was confirmed. An officer with the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Conservation and Resource Enforcement measured the bite mark on the man's raft as approximately 16 inches across.

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