## SE-11-02 March 5, 2011 progress report

The Oscar Elton Sette conducted nighttime acoustic surveys last night (3/4), performed a crew swap with the Hukipono today (trading Dr. Cordelia Moore from the Hukipono and Dr. Ben Richards from the Sette for the day; also reprovisioned Hukipono with stored food/ice/bait and some donated treats from Sette galley), and conducted daytime acoustic surveys of the grid. Moore is a postdoctoral researcher from





Western Australia working in the Drazen deep sea fish laboratory at the University

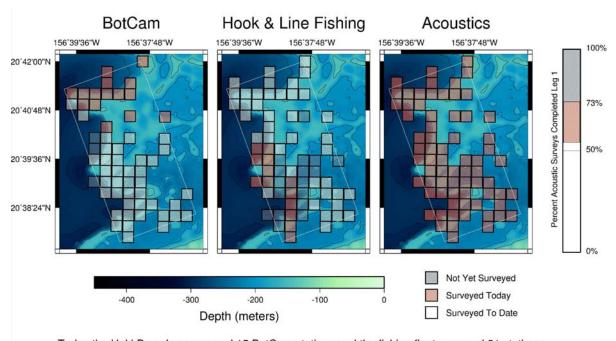
of Hawaii, Department of Oceanography. The *Hukipono*, staffed by Captain Ryan Wagner, Chris Demarke, William Misa, and BotCam augmenter Ben Richards, completed 15 BotCam drops over the day, using

the *Sette* 6-hour unit for their 3<sup>rd</sup> unit in the deployment scheme. The malfunctioning *Hukipono* BotCam unit was taken to *Sette* Chief E.T. Ricardo

Guevara who was able to repair a broken chip on the circuit board. Science party on the *Sette* tested the repaired unit on the deck and it will be returned to the *Hukipono* tomorrow morning for resumed surveys on 3/6. Sette will be prepared to deploy the 6-hour BotCam unit if the weather is cooperative and a suitable depth/habitat station



is pinpointed. Charter fishing operations were off-duty last night but returned in full force today with 3 fishing vessels (*Naomi K*, *Okalani*, and *Imua*) fishing from morning until night, accomplishing a total of 21 daytime stations, and supplying scientists with a mixed bag of specimens for gas bladder measurements, including some Deep-7 species as well as incidental catch such as shark, jack, goatfish, and a scorpionfish. Fishing activity is scheduled to continue into the nighttime and to resume tomorrow morning with all 3 vessels fishing again.



Today the Huki Pono has surveyed 15 BotCam stations and the fishing fleet surveyed 21 stations. The Sette surveyed all grid locations 2 times, totaling roughly 180 km of acoustics track today.