



FINAL SUMMARY OF THE BOTTOM LINE PROJECT

ISSUED 8/27/10

LOCATIONS, DATES, PARTICIPATION AND TALLIES

Location	Date	# Lobstermen (some more than once)	# Lbs Poly Collected	\$ Vouchers Distributed
Phase I				
Scarborough	May 21-25, 2007	123	137,587	\$192,122
Phase II				
Ellsworth	March 25-27, 2008	100	93,700	\$131,179
Rockland	April 14-17, 2008 (includes Vinalhaven)	176	181,052	\$253,491
Scarborough	May 20-22, 2008	162	178,933	\$249,396
Ellsworth	August 12-14, 2008	168	202,867	\$284,012
Rockland	September 9-11, 2008	185	196,960	\$275,858
Phase III				
Ellsworth	March 23-24, 2009	148	175,849	\$246,198
Rockland	March 26-27, 2009	148	153,248	\$214,552
WaldoWarren	September 9-10, 2009	105	113,010	\$158,215
Ellsworth	November 11-12, 2009	158	168,084	\$235,319
Waldoboro	December 11, 2009	81	72,950	\$102,129
Phase IV				
Ellsworth	April 28-29, 2010	88	98,578	\$138,008
RockWaldo	May 12-13, 2010	117	95,824	\$134,155
Ellsworth	August 24, 2010	73	78,847	\$110,387
Rockland	August 25, 2010	92	78,315	\$109,641
Totals	15 exchanges	1,924	2,026,039	\$2,835,491

Figure 1: Final Summary of Bottom Line Project groundline exchanges

The Bottom Line Project, a 3-year voluntary groundline exchange program for commercially-licensed Maine lobstermen, has come to an end. GOMLF estimates that 11,512 miles of rope was brought in for exchange with vouchers worth \$1.40/lb. The first 1.16million lbs were recycled into plastic products; the remainder has been used to weave rope doormats and sculptures. None of it was sent to a landfill.