

VOUCHER SHEET

Hemilamprops californica Zimmer 1936

Lampropidae

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Key Used: D. Diener. Key distributed at meeting
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Other Literature: Carapace with cephalic shield, peduncle of uropod slightly longer than telson, telson with 5 terminal spines, 3 major spines, central spine shorter, and two smaller spines between major spines, paired lateral spines 3 or 4 major pairs. Males with 3 pairs of pleopods.

Related Species and Character Difference:

Females can only be confused with Meso-
lamprops dillonensis which have cephalic shield and 4 or 5 major pairs of lateral telsonic spines. Males with 2 pairs of pleopods.

Common Synonyms: None

Variability: Small specimens have less pronounced cephalic shield and fewer pairs of lateral telsonic spines.

Comments: A common nearshore species found between 8 and 100 meters on soft bottoms. Occurs along the entire California coast.