SCAMIT CODE:

None

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SYNONYMY:

Lineus flavescens of City of San Diego

LITERATURE:

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DIAGNOSTIC CHARACTERS:

- 1. Body of uniform width, becoming thinner posteriorly (largest specimen 23mm x 0.6mm)
- 2. Anterior edge of head not pigmented, posteriorly grayish-green to light red dorsal coloration, ventrum creme
- 3. anterior border of head with indention in center
- 4. Cephalic slits not deep, reach to anterior edge of mouth
- 5. eyes visible uncleared; two large crescentic to tear-drop shaped eyes along anterior edge of head

KELATED SPECIES AND CHARACTER DIFFERENCES:

There is no other member of the Family Lineidae that has the pair of teather drop shaped eyes along the anterior edge of the head found in the southern California Bight.

DEPTH RANGE: 15 - 27meters

DISTRIBUTION: San Diego to Santa Monica Bay; fine to coarse sands; found within middle-core of Diopatra tubes in Santa Monica Bay.

