



*Updates*

# CFMC OUTREACH AND EDUCATION

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Caribbean Fishery Management Council  
SAFMC Outreach and Communications AP Meeting  
May 5-6, 2026 | Charleston, SC

# SOCIAL MEDIA



# CONTENT

- Seasonal closures (local & federal)
- Regulations
- Meetings & Workshops
- O & E activities
- Marine Species
- Shared content
- Collaborative content

- Follower's requests
- Funding Opportunities
- Bulletins
- Big Fish Initiative
- Salvapeje / Assist the Fish
- Inbox/DM

**ALL IN ENGLISH & SPANISH!**

# SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS

1

Facebook



- 7,340+ followers
- highest amount of followers

2

Instagram



- 2,490+ followers
- highest engagement (views, reposts, shares)

3

Threads



- 243 followers

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LinkedIn



- 152 followers

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- 147 followers

6

Bluesky



- 23 followers

# OTHER PLATFORMS

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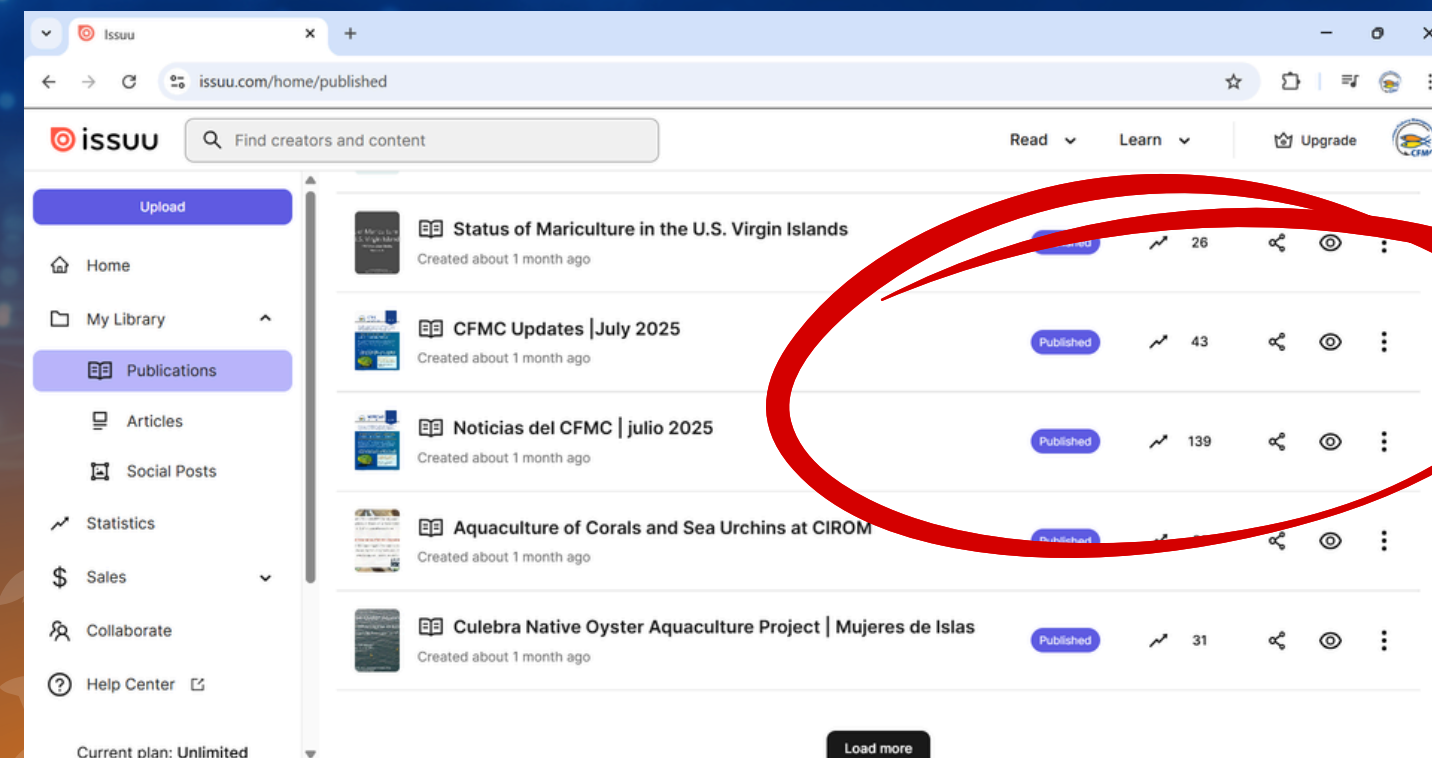
- videos
- 1,758 minutes – average of minutes watched in the past 2 months

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## ISSUU

- documents

# NEW FISHING LIMITS FOR DOLPHINFISH: AN EXAMPLE OF A SUCCESSFUL COLLABORATION



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# WHATSAPP PR BROADCAST LIST & STX CHATS



# EMAIL CONTACT LIST



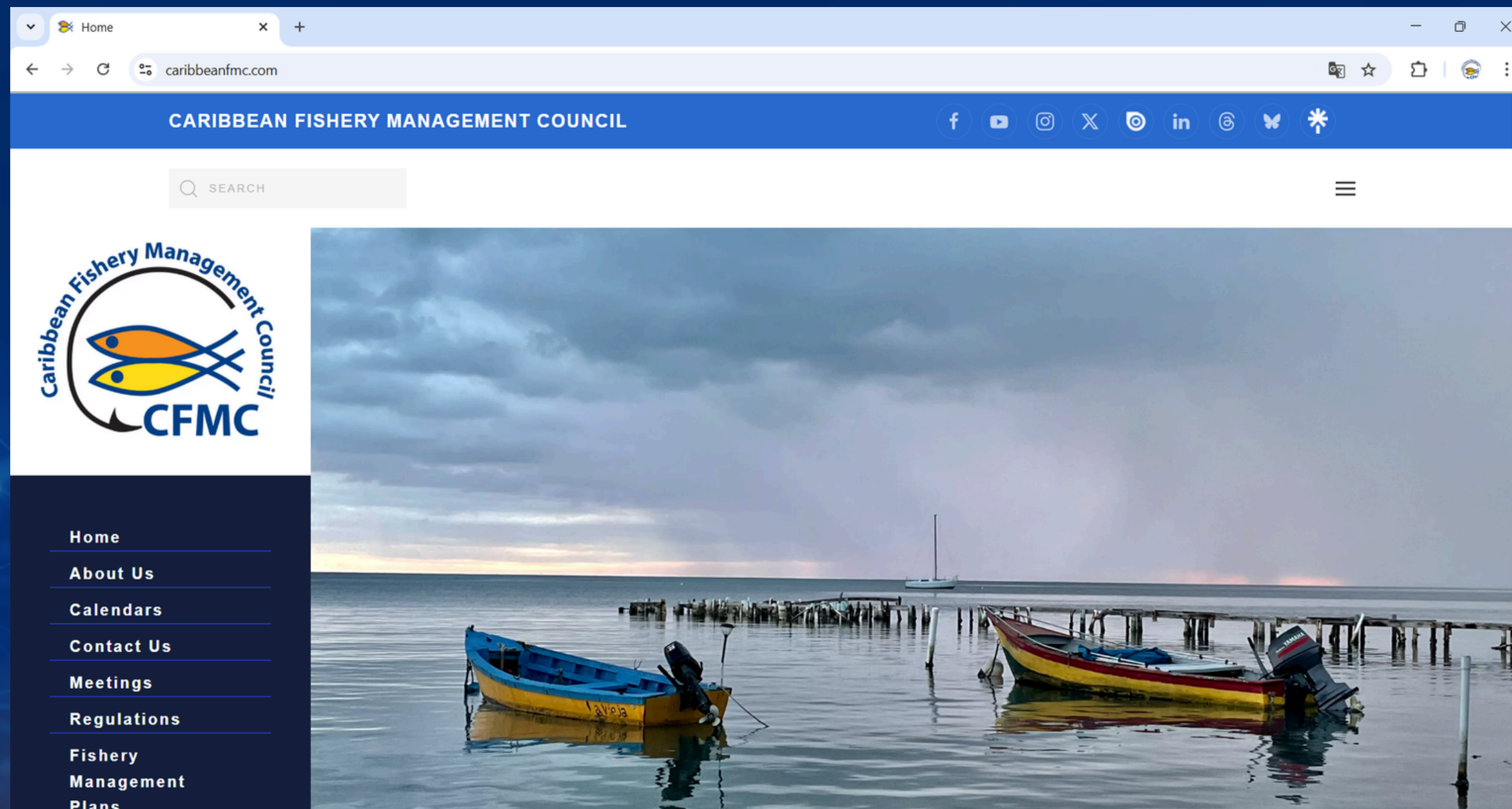
# BIG FISH INITIATIVE



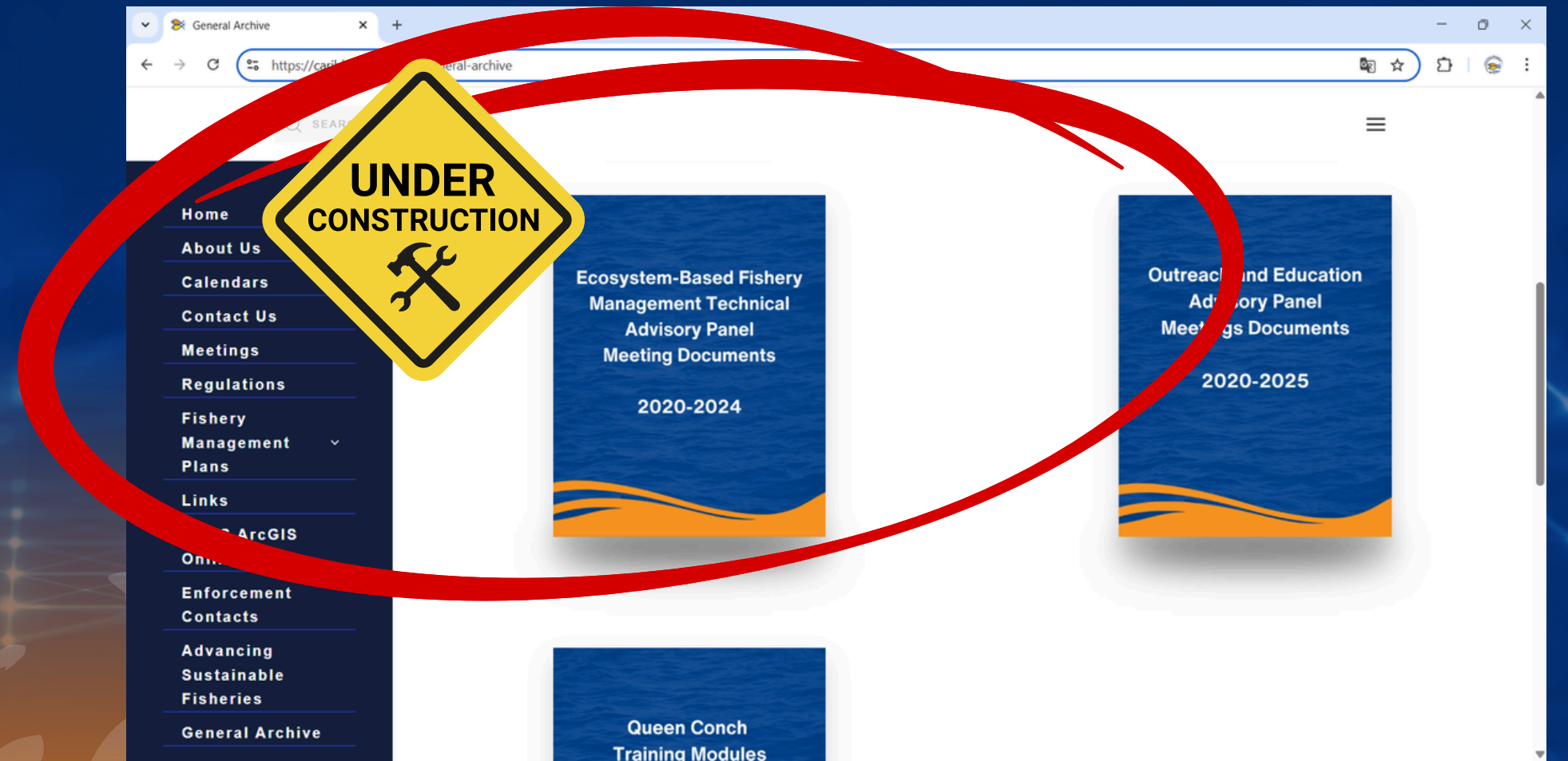
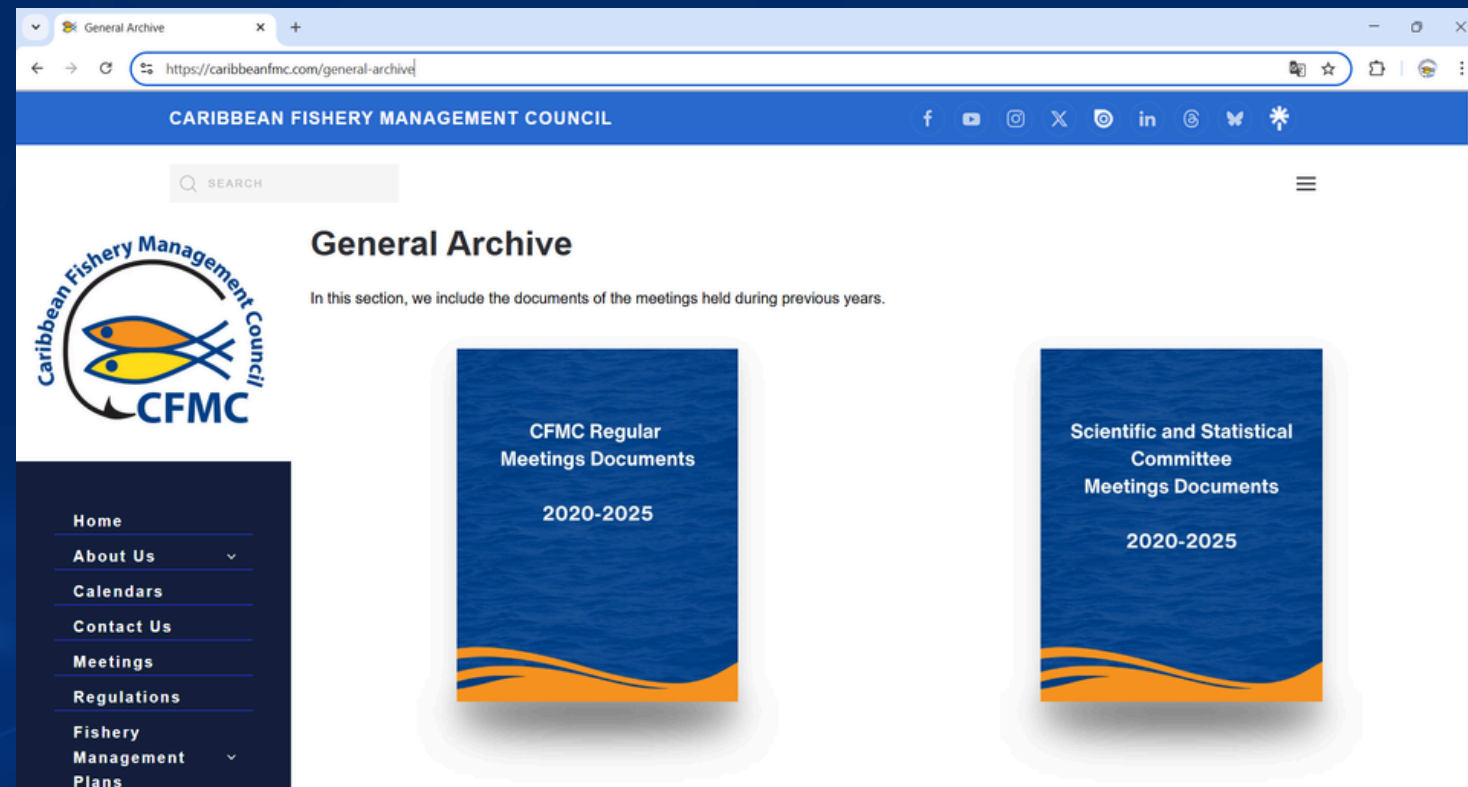
**WEBSITE**



# NEW WEBSITE



# UPDATED GENERAL ARCHIVE



# BULLETINS



# CFMC UPDATES

# NOTICIAS DEL CFMC



## CFMC UPDATES

APRIL 2025

The Caribbean Fishery Management Council (CFMC) newsletter contains activity announcements, facts on various marine species, and valuable information on fishing and the regulations that govern this activity in federal waters around Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

### OVERVIEW OF FISHING REGULATIONS IN THE U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS FEDERAL WATERS

The Caribbean Fishery Management Council (CFMC) and the National Marine Fisheries Service are responsible for the conservation and management of federal fishery resources in the U.S. Caribbean Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ), which extends 3 nautical miles from the U.S. Virgin Islands (USVI) coast to the offshore boundary of the EEZ, and 9 nautical miles from the Puerto Rico coast to the offshore boundary of the EEZ.

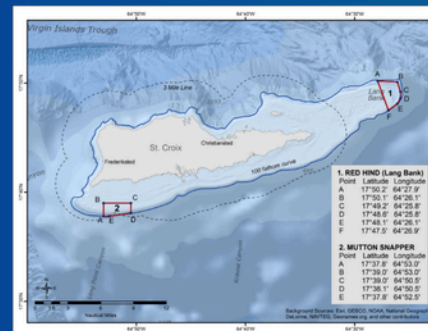
The CFMC shifted from a U.S. Caribbean-wide management approach to an island-based management approach, applicable to the three separate U.S. Caribbean management areas: (1) St. Croix, USVI; (2) St. Thomas/St. John, USVI; and (3) Puerto Rico with the adoption of three fishery management plans (FMPs). Previously, the CFMC managed federal fisheries in the U.S. Caribbean EEZ under four U.S. Caribbean-wide FMPs: the Reef Fish FMP, the Spiny Lobster FMP, the Queen Conch FMP, and the Corals and Reef Associated Plants and Invertebrates FMP.



### SUMMARY OF COMMERCIAL AND RECREATIONAL FISHING REGULATIONS IN FEDERAL WATERS OFF THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS (USVI)

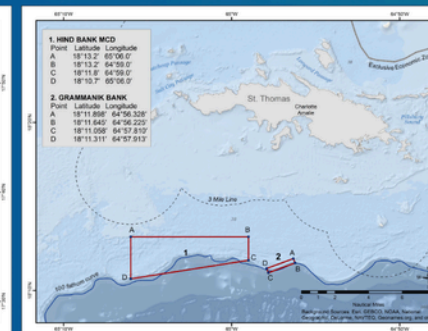


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#### SEASONAL AND AREA CLOSURES ST. CROIX

- Red Hind Spawning Aggregation Area (Lang Bank): Closed from December 1 through the last day of February each year, to all fishing activities. The use of pots, traps, bottom longlines, gillnets or trammel nets is prohibited year-round.
- Mutton Snapper Spawning Aggregation Area: Closed from March 1 through June 30 each year, to all fishing activities. The use of pots, traps, bottom longlines, gillnets or trammel nets is prohibited year-round.



#### SEASONAL AND AREA CLOSURES ST. THOMAS

- Hind Bank Marine Conservation District (MCD): Closed year-round to all fishing activities. Anchoring is prohibited year-round.
- Grammanik Bank: Closed from February 1 through April 30 each year, to fishing activities, except for harvest of HMS species. The use of pots, traps, bottom longlines, gillnets or trammel nets is prohibited year-round.

#### GEAR AND METHOD RESTRICTIONS

Applicable to All Fisheries	Applicable to Specific Fisheries Managed by the Caribbean Fishery Management Council	
Explosives, trawl nets, trammel nets, and purse seines are prohibited in federal waters.	Reef Fish	Poisons, drugs or other chemicals, powerheads, and gillnets are prohibited for the harvest of reef fish in federal waters. Fish must be landed with head and fins intact.* Descending devices required to be on board vessels fishing for reef fish in federal waters.
Toxic chemicals may not be used or possessed in a coral area.	Pelagic Fish	Gillnets are prohibited for the harvest of pelagic fish in federal waters. Fish must be landed with head and fins intact.*
Gillnets** are prohibited for managed species and restricted for non-managed species.	Spiny Lobster	Spears, hooks, or similar devices, and gillnets are prohibited for the harvest of spiny lobster in federal waters. Spiny lobster must be landed with head and carapace intact. Harvest of egg bearing females is prohibited in federal waters.
	Queen Conch	Harvest by diving while using a continued surface air supply is prohibited in federal waters. Queen conch must be landed with meat and shell intact.

\* See 50 CFR 622.10 for exceptions to this rule. See 50 CFR 622.477 and 622.512 for restrictions on gillnet use.

#### SEASONAL CLOSURES FOR SPECIFIC SPECIES

Harvest of these fish is prohibited in federal waters around the USVI during the dates listed below

February 1 - April 30	April 1 - June 30
Red Grouper	Mutton Snapper
Black Grouper	Lane Snapper
Tiger Grouper	October 1 - December 31
Yellowfin Grouper	Black Snapper
Yellowedge Grouper*	Blackfin Snapper
Queen Conch - harvest is allowed east of 64°34' West longitude, which includes Lang Bank, St. Croix.	Vermillion Snapper
	Silk Snapper

\*Prohibition for yellowedge grouper does not apply in federal waters around St. Croix.

#### PROHIBITED HARVEST

If these species are caught in federal waters, they must be returned immediately to the water with minimal harm

Midnight Parrotfish	Queen Conch - harvest is prohibited in all waters west of 64°34' West longitude.
Blue Parrotfish	Goliath Grouper
Rainbow Parrotfish	Harvest of all corals, sea urchins, and sea cucumbers in federal waters is prohibited.
Nassau Grouper	

#### QUEEN CONCH HARVEST LIMITS

Commercial Sector - 200 queen conch per vessel/day.  
 Recreational Sector - 3 queen conch per person/day, or if more than 4 persons on board vessel, 12 queen conch per vessel/day.

#### MINIMUM SIZE LIMITS IN USVI FEDERAL WATERS

Species	Minimum Size Limit
Spiny Lobster	3.5 inches (8.9 cm) carapace length
Yellowtail Snapper	12 inches (30.5 cm) total length
Redband parrotfish**	8 inches (20.3 cm) fork length
Queen, princess, redfin, redtail, stoplight, striped parrotfish**	9 inches (22.9 cm) fork length
Dolphin/Mahi	24 inches (61.0 cm) fork length
Wahoo	32 inches (81.3 cm) fork length

\*\*Parrotfish size limits only apply in St. Croix EEZ waters.

#### RECREATIONAL BAG LIMITS

Species	Allowed quantity:	
	Per Person/Day	Per Vessel/Day
snapper, grouper, parrotfish combined	5 fish per person/day	OR if 3 or more persons are on board, 15 fish per vessel/day
St. Croix angelfish, grunts, squirrelfish, surgeonfish, triggerfish combined	Not to exceed: 2 parrotfish per person/day or 6 parrotfish per vessel/day.	
St. Thomas/St. John angelfish, grunts, jacks, porgies, surgeonfish, triggerfish, wrasses combined	5 fish per person/day	OR if 3 or more persons are on board, 15 fish per vessel/day
spiny lobster	3 per person/day	No more than 10 spiny lobsters per vessel/day
dolphin/mahi	10 per person/day	Not to exceed 32 per vessel/day
wahoo	2 per person/day	Not to exceed 10 per vessel/day



Midnight, Blue and Rainbow Parrotfishes; Red, Yellowedge and Goliath Groupers & Queen Conch illustrations were provided by: Puerto Rico Sea Grant.



Black, Tiger, Yellowfin and Nassau Groupers; Lane, Black, Vermillion, Silk and Yellowtail Snappers and Spiny Lobster illustrations by: D. Peebles, D. Raver, NOAA, N. Deloach.

# CFMC TAKES ACTION

# CFMC TOMA ACCIÓN

## CFMC Takes Action

Caribbean Fishery Management Council  
CONSERVING, RESTORING AND MANAGING OF FISHERY RESOURCES IN THE US CARIBBEAN



JANUARY-MARCH 2026  
Vol. 2 No. 1

Newsletter to inform and share the progress of diverse projects that advance the sustainability of the U.S. Caribbean fisheries.

As increasingly frequent and intense extreme environmental events alter marine ecosystems and fisheries, the need to identify robust adaptive management strategies that support the sustainability and resilience of species and fisheries has become urgent. To better understand these impacts and inform effective management planning, the Caribbean Fishery Management Council (CFMC) is collaborating with the Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries

Institute (GCFI) to develop the project funded under the NOAA – IRA to the CFMC. This effort is led by Bob Glazer and Alejandro Acosta and brings together a multidisciplinary team of experts in modeling, socioeconomics, and marine biology, complemented by traditional ecological knowledge to strengthen the project's scientific foundation and management relevance.



*"Adapting to a Changing Environment in the U.S. Caribbean: Implementing a Climate Smart Approach to Ensure Sustainable Red Hind and Lobster Fishing"*

Within this context, anticipating changing conditions—by identifying plausible future scenarios—is a prerequisite for implementing effective and adaptive fisheries management. For example, one scenario may involve extreme future climatological conditions (e.g., elevated ocean temperatures,

## CFMC toma acción

Consejo de Administración Pesquera del Caribe  
CONSERVACIÓN, RESTAURACIÓN Y GESTIÓN DE LOS RECURSOS PESQUEROS EN EL CARIBE ESTADOUNIDENSE



ENERO-MARZO 2026  
Vol. 2 No. 1

Boletín para informar y compartir los avances de distintos proyectos que fomentan la sostenibilidad de las pesquerías en el Caribe Estadounidense.

Ante la creciente frecuencia e intensidad de eventos extremos que alteran los ecosistemas marinos y las pesquerías, se hace urgente la necesidad de identificar estrategias de gestión robustas y adaptativas que apoyen la sostenibilidad y la resiliencia de dichas especies y pesquerías. Para comprender mejor estos impactos y contribuir a la planificación eficaz de la ordenación pesquera, el Consejo de Administración Pesquera del Caribe (CFMC, en inglés) está colaborando con el Instituto de Pesquerías del Golfo y del Caribe

(GCFI, en inglés) en el desarrollo de un proyecto financiado por la iniciativa NOAA – IRA al CFMC. Este esfuerzo, liderado por Bob Glazer y Alejandro Acosta, reúne a un equipo multidisciplinario de expertos en modelación, socioeconomía y biología marina, que se complementa con conocimientos ecológicos tradicionales de modo que fortalece la base científica del proyecto y su relevancia en la administración pesquera.



*"Adaptándose a un ambiente cambiante en el Caribe estadounidense: Implementación de un enfoque climático inteligente que asegure la pesca sostenible del mero cabrilla y la langosta espinosa"*

En este contexto, el poder anticipar las condiciones cambiantes —mediante la identificación de escenarios futuros probables— es un prerequisite hacia una gestión eficaz y adaptativa. Por ejemplo, un escenario podría

**NEW BOOK**



# BAJO LA LUNA *BENEATH THE MOON*



The book cover features a large, glowing full moon in the center. To the left, a brown sea turtle swims towards the moon. To the right, a dark sea turtle swims away from the moon, with a trail of blue jellyfish-like creatures behind it. Below the moon, the text '¡NUEVO LIBRO!' is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. To the right of this text is a square QR code. Below the QR code is the logo for the Caribbean Fishery Management Council (CFMC), which consists of a circular emblem with a fish and a boat, and the letters 'CFMC' below it. At the bottom of the cover, there is a smaller rectangular image showing a beach at night with a full moon over the ocean. The title 'BAJO LA LUNA' is written in white, hand-drawn letters on the sand in this smaller image.

¡NUEVO LIBRO!

CFMC

BAJO LA LUNA

[https://issuu.com/caribbeanfmc/docs/bajo\\_la\\_luna](https://issuu.com/caribbeanfmc/docs/bajo_la_luna)

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# SALVAPEJE: DESCENDING DEVICE

**NOTICIAS DEL CFMC** FEBRERO 2026

En el boletín del Consejo de Administración Pesquera del Caribe (CFMC, en inglés) encontrarás anuncios de actividades, datos sobre distintas especies marinas y valiosa información sobre la pesca y las regulaciones que rigen esta actividad en las aguas federales alrededor de Puerto Rico y las Islas Vírgenes Estadounidenses.

### ACTUALIZACIONES SOBRE EL SALVAPEJE: DISPOSITIVO DE DESCENSO

NOAA Fisheries aprobó la Enmienda 2, que exige que toda embarcación pesquera cuente con un dispositivo de descenso (*descending device*) a bordo mientras esté pescando peces de arrecife.

- ¿Dónde aplica?** Aplica en aguas federales de Puerto Rico (9-200 millas náuticas) y de St. Thomas/St. John y St. Croix, USVI (3-200 millas náuticas).
- ¿Cuándo se requiere?** Siempre que se pesquen o se tengan en la embarcación peces de arrecife bajo el manejo del CFMC.

**El objetivo:** Reducir la mortalidad de los peces causada por el barotrauma (daño por cambios de presión al subir el pez rápidamente a la superficie).

**Uso del dispositivo:**

- Disponibilidad: El equipo debe estar a bordo y listo para su uso inmediato.
- Uso selectivo: Solo es obligatorio cuando el pez no pueda sumergirse (ej. signos de barotrauma).
- Objetivo: Garantizar que el ejemplar regrese al fondo de forma segura, aumentando su tasa de supervivencia.

¿Es obligatorio usarlo siempre? No, pero la ley exige tenerlo a bordo y listo para actuar si el pez no puede descender por su cuenta.

La regulación final que implementa la Enmienda 2 ya fue publicada en el Registro Federal. El requisito del dispositivo de descenso entrará en vigor el 1 de abril de 2026. Imágenes aplican tanto a pescadores comerciales como recreativos.

Foto: Marcos Henke / 787 Fishing Charters

[www.caribbeanfmc.com](http://www.caribbeanfmc.com)



**¡NOS VEMOS EN LA PARGUERA!**

## ¡SALVAPEJE!

APRENDE A USAR EL DESCENDING DEVICE Y CONSTRUYE EL TUYO

Abierto para pescadores comerciales y recreativos. Habrán dispositivos de descenso "SALVAPEJES" gratuitos para todos los pescadores y pescadoras que asistan y estén hasta el final del taller. Al usar esta herramienta, ayudarás a la supervivencia de especies reglamentadas.

**lunes, 4 de mayo de 2026**  
**4:00 PM**

**VILLA PESQUERA DE LA PARGUERA LAJAS, PR**

¡REGÍSTRATE HOY! ENVÍA TEXTO O WHATSAPP A WILSON SANTIAGO

Wilson Santiago  
Oficial de enlace de pesquerías  
787-344-0956

## ASSIST THE FISH

DESCENDING DEVICES

### Compliance Information and Hands-On Workshop

Open to commercial and recreational fishers. Free descending devices will be available to all fishers that attend and remain until the end of the workshop.

**JUNE 9TH, 2025**  
6:00 - 7:30 P.M.  
V.I. Gamefish Club

JOIN US!

Contact:  
Nicole Greaux, Fisheries Liaison  
(340) 244-9654



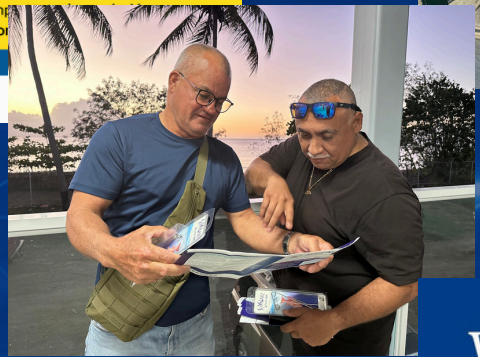
## ¡Falta poco!

SALVAPEJE

El requisito del dispositivo de descenso (*descending device*)-- conocido en Puerto Rico como *Salvapeje*-- será efectivo a partir del

**1 de abril de 2026**

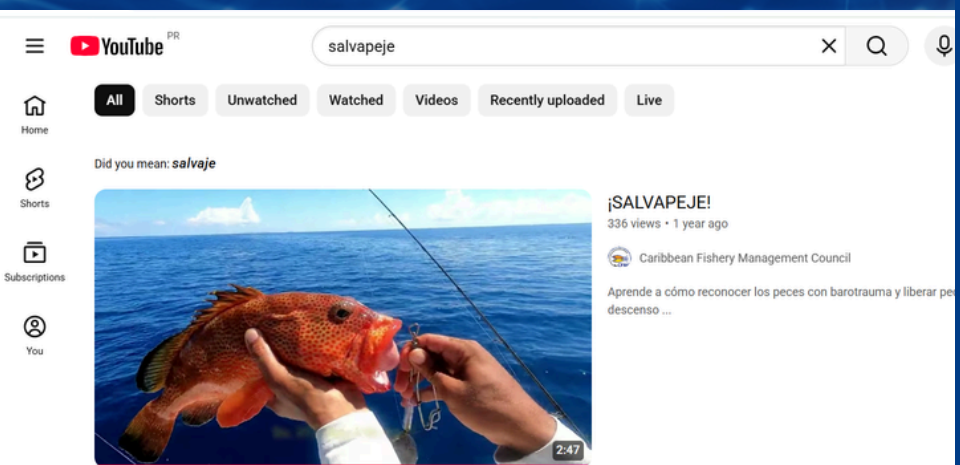
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## What is the purpose of having a descending device?

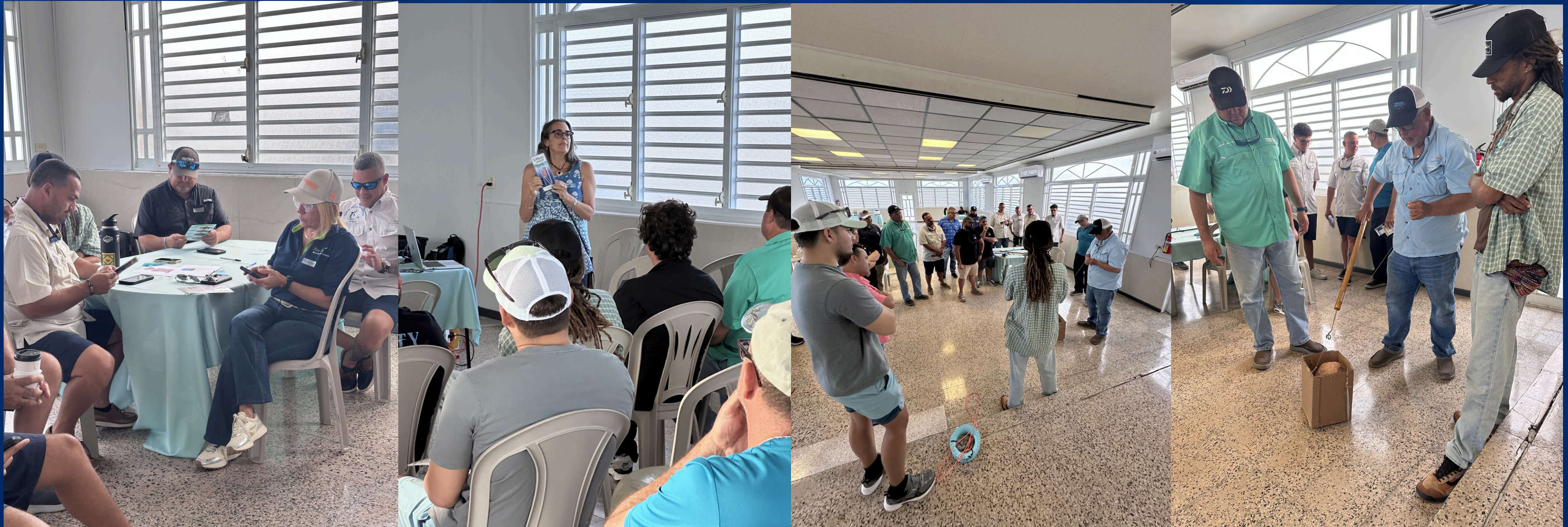
Improving the survival of reef fish released into federal waters (Exclusive Economic Zone) of the U.S. Caribbean.

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# **OUTREACH ACTIVITIES**



# FISH FRY



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# PR DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FAIR



# STX AGRIFEST 2026



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# ¿ESE PESCAO SE COME?: CONSUMPTION OF UNDERUTILIZED SPECIES



¡GRACIAS!

Recuerdo del  
Taller para chefs "Ese pescao, ¿se come?"  
8 y 9 de julio de 2024  
Restaurante DeRaíz, Mayagüez, PR



## ¿Ese pescao se come?

Festival

# ¡Come pez león y calamar diamante!

Música en vivo, artesanías, productos agroecológicos, mesas educativas, degustación de pez león y calamar diamante



**10 MARZO 2024**  
**10:00am - 5:00pm**

**Plaza del Pescador**  
Barrio Playa, Guayanilla

**Invitada especial**  
**Chef Giovanna Huyke**

**Dedicado a la Dra. Árida Ortiz Sotomayor**



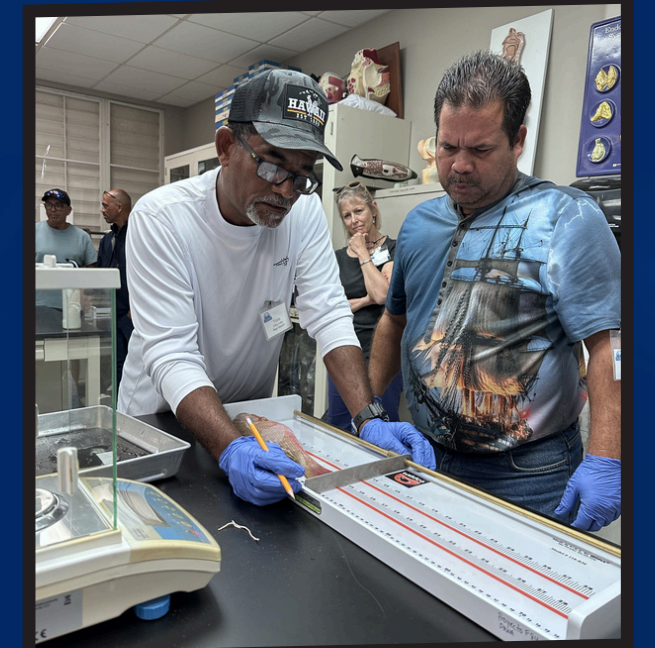
# **MARINE RESOURCE EDUCATION PROGRAM (MREP)**



# MREP PUERTO RICO



June 2025 | Aguadilla, Puerto Rico



# MREP CARIBBEAN

MREP PR Steering Committee



MREP USVI Steering Committee

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3. Cristina D. Olán Martínez, Social Media Network Coordinator

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1. Sennai Habtes, EBFMTAP Chair

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# WORKSHOP: FISHERIES, TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND EXTREME EVENTS

Convocatoria para pescadores comerciales de Puerto Rico

## TALLER: PESQUERÍAS, SABERES TRADICIONALES Y EVENTOS EXTREMOS

Acompáñanos a **COMPARTIR** experiencias, **INTEGRAR** saberes tradicionales y **DIALOGAR** sobre cómo los eventos costeros impactan nuestras pesquerías y comunidades, y cómo podemos prepararnos para estos. Los talleres se realizarán alrededor de todo Puerto Rico.

**CUARTO TALLER – OESTE PR**  
Cada participante recibirá un estipendio de \$40.  
Estipendio disponible hasta un máximo de 30 pescadores.

**sábado, 15 de noviembre de 2025**  
**1:00PM-3:30PM**

Escuela Monserrate León Irizarry, Boquerón, Cabo Rojo, PR

Regístrate hoy mediante texto o mensaje de WhatsApp al **787-649-5417**. También puedes escribir a [educativosambientales@gmail.com](mailto:educativosambientales@gmail.com).

Este proyecto está subvencionado por fondos IRA a través del CFMC.



Announcement for School Teachers from St. Croix, USVI

## WORKSHOP: FISHERIES, TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND EXTREME EVENTS


Join us to **SHARE** experiences, **INTEGRATE** traditional knowledge, and **DISCUSS** how coastal events impact our fisheries and communities, and how we can prepare for them.

**Saturday, February 28, 2026**  
**9:00AM-12:00PM**  
UVI Great Hall,  
University of Virgin Islands, St. Croix

**ST. CROIX WORKSHOP**  
Each participant will receive a \$40 stipend.  
Stipend available to a maximum of 30 teachers.

**Register today by texting to 1 (340) 690-2761.**  
You can also email [knelsen@340vics.com](mailto:knelsen@340vics.com) or [Kai.nielsen@uvi.edu](mailto:Kai.nielsen@uvi.edu).

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**Saturday, March 7, 2026**  
**9:00AM-12:00PM**  
University of Virgin Islands  
13D UVI Research & Strategy Innovation Center, St. Thomas, USVI

**ST. THOMAS/ST. JOHN WORKSHOP**  
Each participant will receive a \$40 stipend.  
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**REGISTER NOW**

**Register today by calling or texting Jannette Ramos-García to 1 (787) 649-5417.**  
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**TERCER TALLER – ESTE PR**  
Cada participante recibirá un estipendio de \$40.  
Estipendio disponible hasta un máximo de 30 pescadores.

**sábado, 8 de noviembre de 2025**  
**1:00PM-3:30PM**

Escuela Luis Muñoz Marín, Ceiba, PR

Regístrate hoy mediante texto o mensaje de WhatsApp al **787-649-5417**. También puedes escribir a [educativosambientales@gmail.com](mailto:educativosambientales@gmail.com).

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**SEGUNDO TALLER – SUR PR**  
Cada participante recibirá un estipendio de \$40.  
Estipendio disponible hasta un máximo de 30 pescadores.

**sábado, 18 de octubre de 2025**  
**1:00PM-3:30PM**

Sala Nilda Ortiz-Antigua Instituto Tecnológico (Oficina Regional Educativa), Ponce, PR

Regístrate hoy mediante texto o mensaje de WhatsApp al **787-649-5417**. También puedes escribir a [educativosambientales@gmail.com](mailto:educativosambientales@gmail.com).

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**Friday, February 27, 2026**  
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UVI Great Hall  
University of Virgin Islands, St. Croix, USVI

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Announcement for Commercial Fishers from St. Thomas/St. John, USVI

## WORKSHOP: FISHERIES, TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND EXTREME EVENTS

Join us to **SHARE** experiences, **INTEGRATE** traditional knowledge, and **DISCUSS** how coastal events impact our fisheries and communities, and how we can prepare for them.

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**ST. THOMAS/ST. JOHN WORKSHOP**  
Each participant will receive a \$40 stipend.  
Stipend available to a maximum of 30 fishers.

**Friday, March 6, 2026**  
**4:00PM-6:00PM**

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## TALLER: PESQUERÍAS, SABERES TRADICIONALES Y EVENTOS EXTREMOS

Acompáñanos a **COMPARTIR** experiencias, **INTEGRAR** saberes tradicionales y **DIALOGAR** sobre cómo los eventos costeros impactan nuestras pesquerías y comunidades, y cómo podemos prepararnos para estos. Los talleres se realizarán alrededor de todo Puerto Rico.

**PRIMER TALLER – NORTE PR**  
Cada participante recibirá un estipendio de \$40.

**sábado, 4 de octubre de 2025**  
**1:00PM-3:30PM**

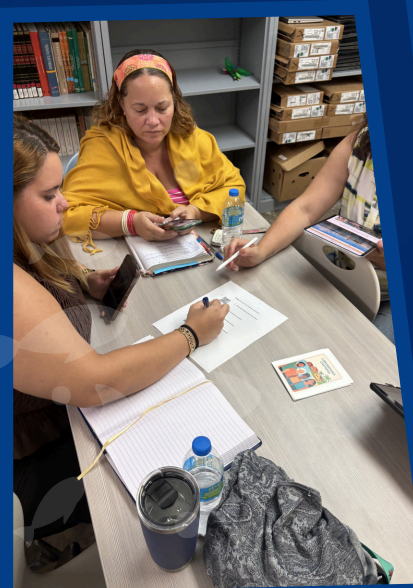
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# 2027 CALENDAR

Content recognizing multi generational fishing families. Also includes a list of acronyms and a seasonal closures table.



# IBFMPS SPECIES CATALOG

The fish species catalog aims to:

- Improve species identification
- Support regulatory understanding
- Assist both fishers and consumers



# STICKER AND INTERACTIVE TOOL



Features 10 species managed under CFMC.

# 50TH ANNIVERSARY VIDEO

Video is being produced to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the MSA and the Regional Management Councils, to document part of the Council's history, highlight the Council's successes and share points of view on how the Council and fisheries' future might look like.



Locations: St. Thomas, St. Croix and Puerto Rico (Fajardo & Cabo Rojo).



*Thank you! | ¡Gracias!*



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MARINA PUERTO CHICO, FAJARDO, PR | FEB. 5, 2026



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PUERTO REAL, CABO ROJO, PR | FEB. 20, 2026



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# QUESTIONS?

