

PUERTO RICO FISHERIES LIAISON REPORT

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2023 Liaison Participation

- Send educational posts via WhatsApp
- Support fishers with issues and information via mobile and in person
- Give educational materials for the fishers and fishing communities
- MREP-PR steering committee
- Southeast MREP workshop participation
- Participate at Caribbean Communication Project meetings
- Participate in the presentation of a documentary about Fishing Villages of Puerto Rico
- Support NGO's with new projects in communication to the fishers

Liaison Next Steps

- Continue supporting the Educational Program for Recreational Fishers
- Continuing of the PEPCO program at different municipalities
- Continue giving support for CFMC, DNER and other agencies regarding communications for fishing communities around Puerto Rico
- Continue giving support for the CFMC and DNER social medias
- Continue educating in process of license, statistics and state laws to maintain their responsibility with the management agencies
- Participate in workshops for learning new topics that we can pass to the fishers communities
- Support fishers to resolved their issues with DNER license and permits process
- Bring educational materials to fishing communities and communicate with them to know where we can do better regarding the outreach and education of fishers communities

Issues, concerns and participation from fishers

- Puerto Rico DNER commercial fishing license and permits
- Electronic statistics reports (how to use it)
- Fishers, via feedback that they sent from the WhatsApp broadcast list are more interesting in participate at meetings and bring comments

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