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# Enforcement Overview

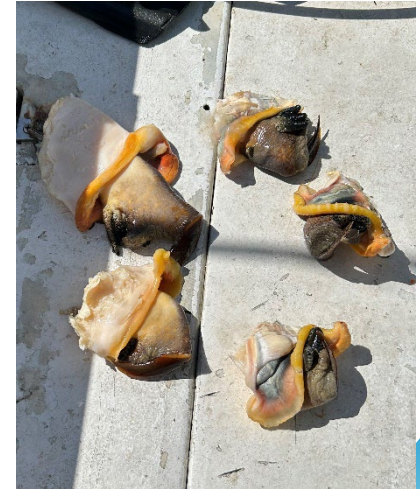
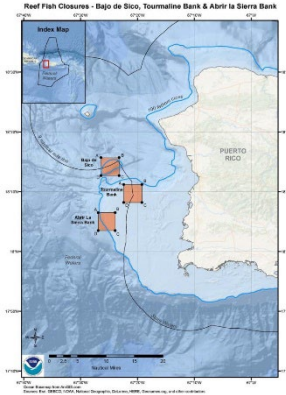
Caribbean Fishery Management Council Meeting  
April 23, 2025. Compliance Liaison Matt Walia





# Partnerships

## ➤ Joint Patrols

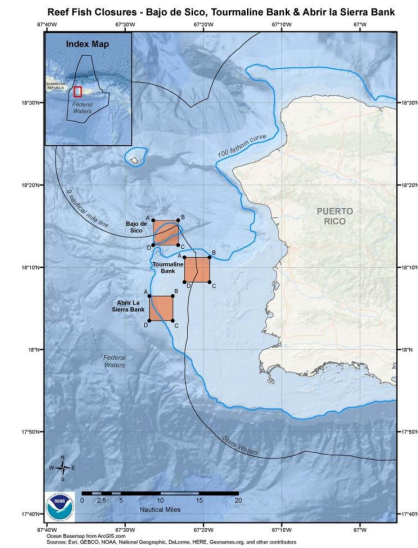


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## ➤ Puerto Rico Closed Area Patrol

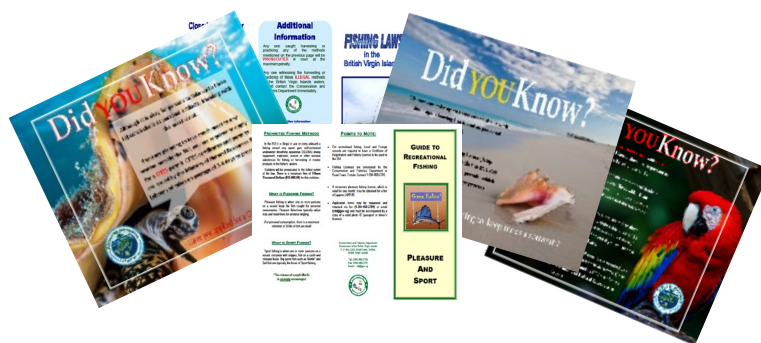


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# USVI

- Compliance Assistance and info provided
  - Lacey Act implications BVI vs USVI



- Joint Patrol near BVI/USVI border
  - Conch/Sea Turtle meat



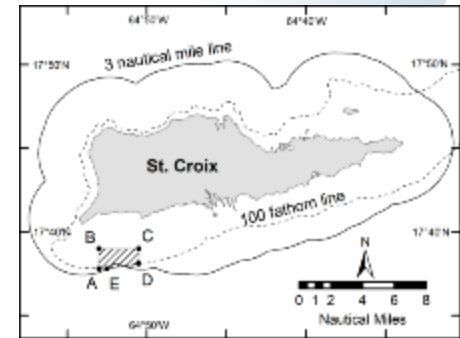
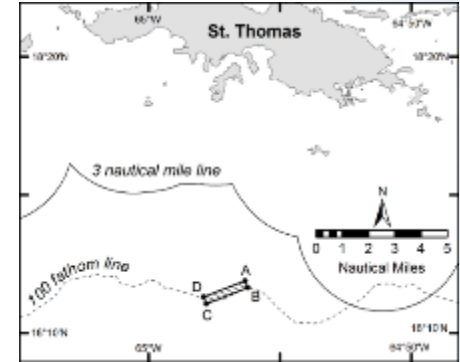
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# Enforcement Reminders

## Seasonal Spawning Closures

- Grouper species in federal waters off Puerto Rico, USVI-through **April**
- **Grammanik Bank**
  - Any non-HMS fish species-through **April**
  
- Mutton and Lane in federal waters off Puerto Rico, USVI-through **June**
  - **Mutton Spawning Aggregation Area**



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# Report A Violation

NOAA's Law Enforcement Hotline,  
available 24/7 at  
**(800) 853-1964**

- Location, time, and date of the activity.
- Description of the activity.
- Name(s) of the vessel, owner/operator, captain, crew, or additional witnesses.



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# QUESTIONS

