

## **EEJ Recommendations from CFMC's District Advisory Panels (DAPs)**

### **A. EEJ Recommendations DAP-STT/STJ**

1. More and more aggressive efforts to educate the fishers in achieving a sustainable fishery. That can be achieved through a multi-level approach.
2. Data collection must be inclusive of fisher-dependent and independent.
3. Funding for the STFA to conduct OEAP (ECO Fest) activities. The ECO Fest will serve all economic sectors and ages of the STT/STJ community.
4. Getting younger people involved to keep the fishery alive.
5. Having more outreach and education for recreational fishers, so that it does not put unnecessary pressure on the fishery.
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### **B. EEJ Recommendations from DAP-PR and DAP-STX (Same as DAP-PR)**

- 1- To improve efforts in identifying language barriers and communication. Disseminating topics related to the needs of underserved fishing communities is crucial. Implementation of short and medium-term effectiveness measurement systems and establish a dedicated professional support group for this purpose.
- 2- Additionally, developing specific programs to complement fisheries research and scientifically validate or invalidate the beliefs and concerns of these communities is essential to foster a fair and equitable discussion in decision-making.
- 3- Furthermore, ensuring better access to collaborative project opportunities with fair compensation for fishermen and members of the fishing community, addressing areas such as infrastructure, marketing, and innovative uses of catches, is necessary to promote community well-being.