

Island-based Fishery Management Plans (IBFMPs) Progress to Date

CFMC sent IBFMPs for Secretarial Review and Approval – Dec 2019

NOAA Fisheries:

- Development of Proposed Rule and associated documents
 - Two opportunities for comment coming up:
 1. Notice of Availability (FMPs) will be published soon – 60 day comment period.
 2. Proposed Rule publication – 30 day comment period.
- SERO Protected Resources Division drafting a Biological Opinion to evaluate the effects of each of the island's fisheries on Endangered Species Act-listed species.
- Publication of final rule - 30 days later, FMPs implemented
- Goal is to have the plans applicable in the 2021 fishing season
- In the meantime – CFMC discusses actions for potential amendments to each of the IBFMPs, as desired/needed.