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# Caribbean Amendments and Actions Status

## April 2025

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186<sup>th</sup> Caribbean Fishery Management Council Meeting  
St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands  
April 22-23, 2025

# Caribbean Amendments and Actions Status

Year: 2025

Amendment/Action	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr CFMC	May	Jun	Jul	Aug CFMC	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec CFMC
Amendment 2 to all FMPs: Trawl, Net Gear, and Descending Devices	Final Rule Pending Approval and Publication											
Amendment 3 to all FMPs: Management Measures for Dolphin & Wahoo	Final Rule Pending Approval and Publication											
Framework 3 to Puerto Rico FMP: SEDAR 80 Queen Triggerfish	Final Rule Pending Approval and Publication											
Framework 3 to USVI FMPs: SEDAR 80 Queen Triggerfish	Finalize action		CFMC Submit to NMFS	Proposed Rule Under development								
Amendment 4 to Puerto Rico FMP: Reclassify Rainbow Runner as Pelagic	Finalize amendment			Final Action	CFMC Submits to NMFS	Develop Proposed Rule						

# Caribbean Amendment and Action Status and Priority

Year: 2025



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Federal Permits Management (First presentation in Dec 2023)	Information gathering/ Development of Presentation			Presentation 2 with example	Possible Information gathering Potential DAP meetings							
Response to STFA Questions regarding Grammanik Bank Management <b>(2025 PRIORITY)</b>	Information gathering/ Development of Document			Discussion								
*Status of Species with Prohibited Harvest (updating SYLs and considering EC species – corals, sea cucumbers, sea urchins, other fish)				CFMC to consider as a 2025 priority vs 2026	Information gathering/ Development of Document						SSC	Discuss
Actions to take when Pelagic AMs are triggered <b>(2025 PRIORITY)</b>	Information Gathering			Scheduled for SSC Review								
Revision of Accountability Measures for Spiny Lobster <b>(2025 PRIORITY)</b>	Information Gathering			Schedule Discussion for Aug Meeting								
*Revision of Catch Limits for Species with Enhanced Reporting				CFMC to consider as a 2025 priority vs 2026								

\*Coupled with potential SEDAR Procedural Workshop

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  No action
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  AP process
  IPT process
  Information gathering/Scoping
 
 Rule Phases
  Other NMFS action

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2025 ACL Monitoring for USVI <i>*Pending for Puerto Rico</i>	NMFS ACL Monitoring			NMFS SERO Informs CFMC								
SEDAR 84 - Yellowtail snapper in PR and STT/STJ and Stoplight Parrotfish STX							Review Wkshp	SSC ?				SSC? Discuss
SEDAR 91 - Spiny Lobster PR, STT/STJ, STX <i>*Review wkshp – Aug 2025</i> <i>*Present to SSC – Dec 2025</i>	Data Wkshp											SSC Discuss
USVI Compatibility of Regulations with EEZ												

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