Table 1C. Consolidated draft list of species under **Alternative 2** (*previously **Alternative 3**) recommended for inclusion in the St. Thomas/St. John Fishery Management Plan. The Caribbean Fishery Management Council proposed these species at their 153rd Meeting, held in August 2015. The St. Thomas/St. John draft list of species includes spiny lobster (1 species), queen conch (1 species), 47 finfish, sea cucumbers, sea urchins, and all species of coral.

Family		Scientific Name	Common Name	Criterion
Strombidae True conchs	1	Lobatus (Strombus) gigas	Queen conch	A
Palinuridae Spiny lobster	2	Panulirus argus	Caribbean spiny lobster	A
Lutjanidae Snappers	3	Apsilus dentatus	Black snapper	A
	4	Lutjanus buccanella	Blackfin snapper	A
	5	Lutjanus vivanus	Silk snapper	A
	6	Rhomboplites aurorubens	Vermilion snapper	A
	7	Lutjanus synagris	Lane snapper	A
	8	Lutjanus analis	Mutton snapper	A
	9	Ocyurus chrysurus	Yellowtail snapper	A
	10	Etelis oculatus	Queen snapper	D
Serranidae Groupers	11	Epinephelus striatus	Nassau Grouper	A
	12	Epinephelus itajara	Goliath grouper	A
	13	Epinephelus guttatus	Red hind grouper	A
	14	Mycteroperca bonaci	Black grouper	A
	15	Epinephelus morio	Red grouper	A
	16	Mycteroperca tigris	Tiger grouper	A
	17	Mycteroperca venenosa	Yellowfin grouper	A
	18	Epinephelus flavolimbatus	Yellowedge grouper	A
	19	Epinephelus fulvus	Coney	С
	20	Epinephelus mystacinus	Misty grouper	С
	21	Mycteroperca interstitialis	Yellowmouth grouper	С
Scaridae Parrotfishes	22	Scarus coeruleus	Blue parrotfish	A
	23	Scarus coelestinus	Midnight parrotfish	A
	24	Scarus guacamaia	Rainbow parrotfish	A
	25	Scarus vetula	Queen parrotfish	С
	26	Scarus taeniopterus	Princess parrotfish	С
	27	Sparisoma chrysopterum	Redtail parrotfish	С
	28	Sparisoma viride	Stoplight parrotfish	С
	29	Sparisoma aurofrenatum	Redband parrotfish	С
	30	Scarus croicensis	Striped parrotfish	С
	31	Sparisoma rubripinne	Redfin parrotfish	С

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Haemulidae Grunts	32	Haemulon plumieri	White grunt	С
	33	Haemulon album	Margate	С
	34	Haemulon sciurus	Bluestriped grunt	С
Sparidae Porgies	35	Calamus bajonado	Jolthead porgy	С
	36	Archosargus rhomboidalis	Sea bream	С
	37	Calamus penna	Sheepshead porgy	С
	38	Calamus pennatula	Pluma	С
Carangidae Jacks	39	Caranx crysos	Blue runner	D
Acanthuridae Surgeonfishes	40	Acanthurus coeruleus	Blue tang	С
	41	Acanthurus bahianus	Ocean surgeonfish	С
	42	Acanthurus chirurgus	Doctorfish	С
Labridae Wrasses	43	Lachnolaimus maximus	Hogfish	С
Pomacanthidae Angelfishes	44	Holacanthus ciliaris	Queen angelfish	С
	45	Pomacanthus arcuatus	Gray angelfish	С
	46	Pomacanthus paru	French angelfish	С
Balistidae Triggerfishes	47	Balistes vetula	Queen triggerfish (Old Wife)	D
Coryphaenidae Dolphin fish	48	Coryphaena hippurus	Dolphin	D
Scombridae Mackerels and tunas	49	Acanthocybium solandri	Wahoo	D
Classs Holothuroidea Sea Cucumbers	50	All (several families and species)	Sea cucumbers	Council Motion
Class Echinoidea Sea Urchins	51	All (several families and species)	Sea urchins	Council Motion
All Corals (soft, hard, mesophotic, deep-water)	52	Several families and species (see Table 2 doc.)	Corals	A

Alternative 2 (*previously Alternative 3). For those species for which landings data are available, indicating the species is in the fishery, the Caribbean Fishery Management Council (Council) will follow a stepwise application of a set of criteria to determine if a species should be managed under the St. Thomas/St. John FMP. The criteria under consideration include, in order:

Criterion A. Include for management those species that are presently classified as overfished in U.S. Caribbean federal waters based on NMFS determination, or for which historically identified harvest is now prohibited due to their ecological importance as habitat (corals presently included in the Corals and Reef Associated Plants and Invertebrates FMP) or habitat engineers (midnight, blue, rainbow parrotfish), or those species for which seasonal closures or size limits apply.

Criterion B. From the remainder species, <u>exclude</u> from federal management those species that have been determined to infrequently occur in federal waters based on expert analysis guided by available data.

Criterion C. From the remainder species, <u>include</u> for management those species that are biologically vulnerable, constrained to a specific habitat that renders them particularly vulnerable, or have an essential ecological value, as determined by expert analysis.

Criterion D. From the remainder species, include those species possessing economic importance to the nation or regional economy based on a threshold of landings or value separately determined for each of the recreational, commercial, and aquarium trade sectors as appropriate (e.g., top 90%) and those representing an important component of bycatch, as established by expert analysis.