

Caribbean Fishery Management Council

7 voting members, 3 non-voting members

Council Staff

- Executive Director, Fiscal Officer, Assistant and Executive Secretary, Accounting Technician, Office Clerk, 2 Secretaries, Economic Consultant, FMP and Habitat Specialist, and Intern

Queen Conch FMP

Reef Fish FMP

Spiny Lobster FMP

Corals and Associated Species FMP

No FMP-Specific Committees. It is expected that these plans will be merged into the island-based FMPs by 2015-16.

Scientific and Statistical Committee

- 10 experts on scientific, social, economic, and other fields present information to the council

Advisory Panel

- 15 members from Puerto Rico, St. Thomas, St. Croix; 10 commercial fishers, 2 recreational fishers, one at-large other seat, and one from marine export industry
- NOTE: This panel will be substituted by three panels for each of the island groups: Puerto Rico, St. Thomas-St. John, and St. Croix as of 2014, with 15 members each, to work on the island-based FMPs. Each panel will include fishers, NGOs, government officials, among others.

Council Standing Committees

- Administrative
- Outreach and Education
- Grievance
- Enforcement

Outreach and Education Advisory Panel

- 10 members from NOAA, Puerto Rico Sea Grant, academic, commercial fisher, and a consultant

Ad Hoc Committee

- Used as needed; stakeholder group last met 10/13 to give input on socioeconomic impacts of snapper and lobster closed areas

Fishing Industry Advisory Committee

- Provides information and recommendations on FMPs and amendments and are appointed to balance commercial and recreational fishing interests. This group will eventually be merged with the panels mentioned above.