



Puerto Rico Fisheries Liaison Officer Report

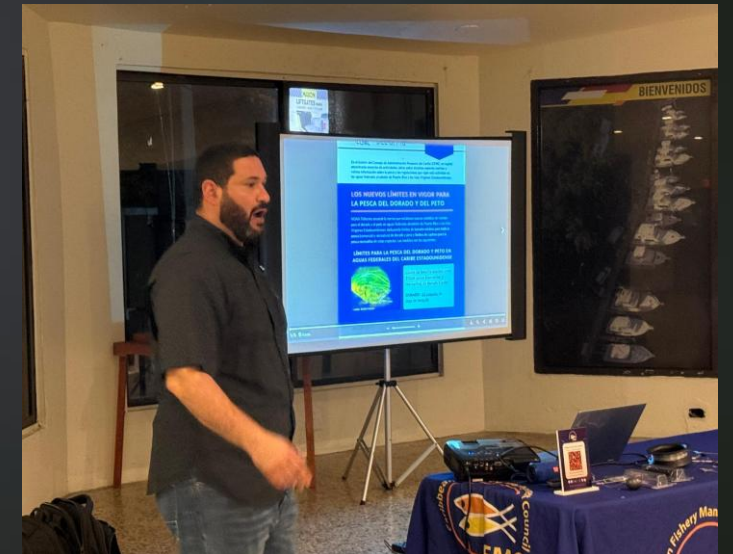
189TH CFMC REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 21-22, 2026

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Outreach and Education Participation

- ▶ Descending Device Workshops in various fishing communities
- ▶ Deliver CFMC educational materials to fishers around the island
- ▶ Participate in MREP Steering Committee
- ▶ Weekly post at WhatsApp broadcast list
- ▶ CFMC educational table at Torneo de Pesca Recreativa
- ▶ Attend calls of questions from Fishers regarding PR state and federal waters.
- ▶ Federal and State waters regulations workshop (Mini PEPCO)



Descending Device Workshops “Salvapeje”

Workshops given:

- Villa Pesquera, Culebra
- Villa Pesquera Villa La Mela, Cabo Rojo
- Punta Santiago, Humacao
- Matos Marine, Fajardo
- Luquillo
- Club Náutico, Arecibo
- Villa Pesquera El Dockey, Mayaguez

Future locations:

- Villa Pesquera La Hoare, San Juan
- Club Náutico San Juan
- Vieques Island
- Villa Pesquera, Canóvanas
- Villa Pesquera La Parguera, Lajas



Descending Device Workshops “Salvapeje” Impact



Fisheries Interest and Concerns

- ▶ Interest in the DAP, OEAP, SSC and CFMC process
- ▶ Interested in Puerto Rico State regulations (Attended by PEPCO)
- ▶ Charters license process
- ▶ State fishing license process
- ▶ Federal Waters regulations implemented (Ex. Wahoo, Mahi and DD)

Liaison Next Steps

- ▶ Descending Device Workshops at Vieques, North Side of the Island and USVI
- ▶ Return with the educational commercial workshop (PEPCO) program
- ▶ Work close with DAP chair Nelson Crespo to create a series of workshops for all sectors
- ▶ Participate in educational tables per invitation
- ▶ Participate at the 2026 MREP Caribbean workshop at St. Thomas



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