



U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Partners for Fish and Wildlife and Coastal Programs





Coastal and Partners for Fish and Wildlife Programs

Proactive, voluntary programs that provide technical assistance and/or funds

Cooperative or “partnering” programs

- Cooperative agreements, MOU, MOA, grants or other formats
- Priority for on-the-ground projects (measurable in acres or miles)
- Preference for partnering or leveraging funds

Who can participate?

Coastal:

Works with a variety of partners :

Federal, State, local agencies

Businesses

Conservation organizations

Private Landowners

National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grant

State Grant program, but often facilitated with NGOs

Partners:

Works with private landowners

May work with NGOs with land management

May have MOU or MOA with other entity for

improvements on private lands

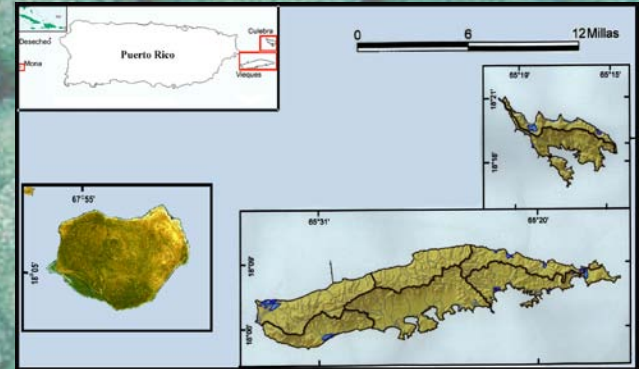
Program Project Criteria

- **The Coastal Program covers Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands**
- **Generally funded through Cooperative Agreements**
- **Agreements < \$50,000 (web site lists \$25,000)**
- **Funding usually available between March and June, but projects should be coordinated earlier**
- **Seeks approximately 1:1 cost-share, can be in-kind**
- **Projects should involve habitat restoration or enhancement with long-lasting effects (generally expect that projects have at least a 10 year life span for maintaining the practice/land use)**
- **Participants must have authority or ownership of the land area to be treated**
- **Project results must be measureable in acres or miles (in the case of rivers or coastline)**
- **Limited project monitoring can be included providing it is directly related to the restoration/enhancement actions**
- **Priority will be given to projects within the Program Focus Areas**

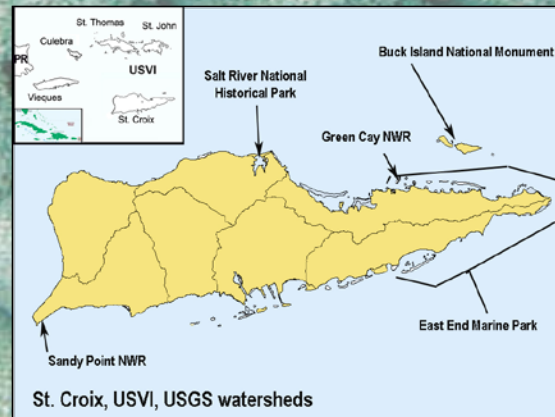
Coastal Program Geographic Focus Areas



Southern Puerto Rican Watersheds



Puerto Rican Islands



St. Croix Watersheds

We are in the process of changing to Strategic Habitat Planning Focus Areas

Project types and examples

Margarita Dam Fishway, Culebrinas River
Aguada, Puerto Rico



Migratory species passage



Dry Forest Restoration, St. Croix



Guanica Beach Berm Restoration



Setting up Farm Unit



Transplant Colonies



Culebra Staghorn Coral
Restoration
(SAM)

Farm Unit with Colonies

Staghorn Coral Restoration Culebra



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Questions?

