

*5th Coral Reef Task Force Meeting
August 5-7, 2000
Pago Pago, American Samoa*

Resolution 5-3 - National Action Plan Implementation

Whereas it has been recommended that the Coral Reef Task Force develop a structure and process for implementation of the National Action Plan; and

Whereas the majority of the US coral reef resources are under the jurisdiction of the Pacific and Caribbean islands, states, territories, and commonwealths; and

Whereas the “All Islands Points of Contact” have both longevity and continuity beyond the upcoming change in administration

Be it therefore resolved:

That the Coral Reef Task Force commits to establishing a formal governance structure for the implementation of the National Action Plan by September 1, 2000; and that the implementation committee consists of an appropriate member from the Department of Commerce, the Department of the Interior and two members from the All Islands Group. We further recommend that one of the All Island members chair the committee; and that the implementation of the National Action Plan is consistent with the existing commitments and priorities previously established. This reaffirms the commitment of the Coral Reef Task Force to prioritizing the goals of the All Island Coral Initiative in implementing the US Coral Reef National Action Plan.