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**FISHERIES (COASTAL COMMUNITIES)
(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2023**



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FISHERIES MANAGEMENT ACT [CAP 18.02]

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by section 15(1) and section 101(1)(2)(b) of the Fisheries Management Act [Cap 18.02], the Minister responsible for Fisheries makes the following Regulations -

1 Short Title and Interpretation

- (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Fisheries (Coastal Communities) (Amendment) Regulations 2023.
- (2) In these Regulations, the Fisheries (Coastal Communities) Regulations [Cap 18.02.07] shall be referred to as the Principal Regulations.

2 Schedule I amended

Schedule I of the Principal Regulations is amended by –

- (a) by inserting the following after item 59 of the list of coastal communities –

- “60. Okoa (Vava’u)
- 61. Lotofoa (Ha’apai)
- 62. Fotua Coastal Community (Ha’apai)
- 63. Fangale’ounga Coastal Community (Ha’apai)
- 64. Fotuha’a Coastal Community (Ha’apai)

- (b) by inserting the following after the Map of the ‘Otea SMA Boundary –

“60. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA (SMA) OF OKOA (Vava’u)

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 1 of Annex 2 shall be a Special Management Area for the purpose of coastal community management.

GPS Coordinates for Okoa SMA

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
OKA1	18° 38.807'S	173° 57.215'W
OKA2	18° 38.994'S	173° 57.388'W
OKA3	18° 39.575'S	173° 57.395'W
OKA4	18° 39.751'S	173° 57.397'W
OKA5	18° 39.777'S	173° 57.149'W
OKA6	18° 39.895'S	173° 56.199'W
OKA7	18° 39.822'S	173° 55.874'W
OKA8	18° 39.466'S	173° 56.128'W
OKA9	18° 39.311'S	173° 56.240'W
OKA10	18° 39.057'S	173° 56.425'W
OKA11	18° 38.834'S	173° 56.926'W

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 1 of Annex 2 shall be a FHRA 1.

GPS Coordinates for Okoa FHR Area 1

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
OKA3	18° 39.575'S	173° 57.395'W
OKA4	18° 39.751'S	173° 57.397'W
OKA5	18° 39.777'S	173° 57.149'W
OKA12	18° 39.571'S	173° 57.179'W
OKA13	18° 39.627'S	173° 57.130'W

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 1 of Annex 2 shall be a FHRA 2.

GPS Coordinates for Okoa FHR Area 2

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
OKA8	18° 39.466'S	173° 56.128'W
OKA9	18° 39.311'S	173° 56.240'W
OKA14	18° 39.459'S	173° 56.473'W
OKA15	18° 39.606'S	173° 56.715'W
OKA16	18° 39.769'S	173° 56.599'W
OKA17	18° 39.636'S	173° 56.393'W

Map 1: OKOA SMA Boundary (Note: Yellow line: Propose SMA Boundary, Red area: Propose Fish Habitat Reserve (FHR) Area)



61. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA (SMA) OF LOTOFOA (Ha’apai)

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 2 of Annex 2 shall be a Special Management Area for the purpose of coastal community management.

GPS Coordinates for Lotofoa SMA

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
FOA1	19° 44.553'S	174° 18.963'W
FOA2	19° 44.317'S	174° 19.137'W
FOA3	19° 44.057'S	174° 19.329'W
FOA4	19° 43.718'S	174° 19.580'W

FOA5	19° 43.626'S	174° 19.284'W
FOA6	19° 43.519'S	174° 18.941'W
FOA7	19° 43.446'S	174° 18.705'W
FOA8	19° 43.706'S	174° 18.442'W
FOA9	19° 43.940'S	174° 18.203'W
FOA10	19° 44.143'S	174° 17.996'W
FOA11	19° 44.274'S	174° 17.864'W
FOA12	19° 44.943'S	174° 16.968'W
FOA13	19° 45.314'S	174° 16.403'W
FOA14	19° 45.942'S	174° 17.137'W
FOA15	19° 46.160'S	174° 18.004'W
FOA16	19° 45.594'S	174° 18.444'W

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 2 of Annex 2 shall be a Fish Habitat Reserve Area.

GPS Coordinates for Lotofoa FHR Area 1

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
FOA17	19° 44.211'S	174° 18.278'W
FOA18	19° 44.316'S	174° 18.640'W
FOA19	19° 44.120'S	174° 18.780'W
FOA20	19° 44.016'S	174° 18.420'W

Map 2: LOTOFOA SMA Boundary (Note: Yellow line: Propose SMA Boundary, Red area: Propose Fish Habitat Reserve (FHR) Area)



62. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA (SMA) OF FOTUA (Ha’apai)

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 3 of Annex 2 shall be a Special Management Area for the purpose of coastal community management.

GPS Coordinates for Fotua SMA

Points	Latitude	Longitude
FTA1	19° 44.553'S	174° 18.963'W
FTA2	19° 44.317'S	174° 19.137'W

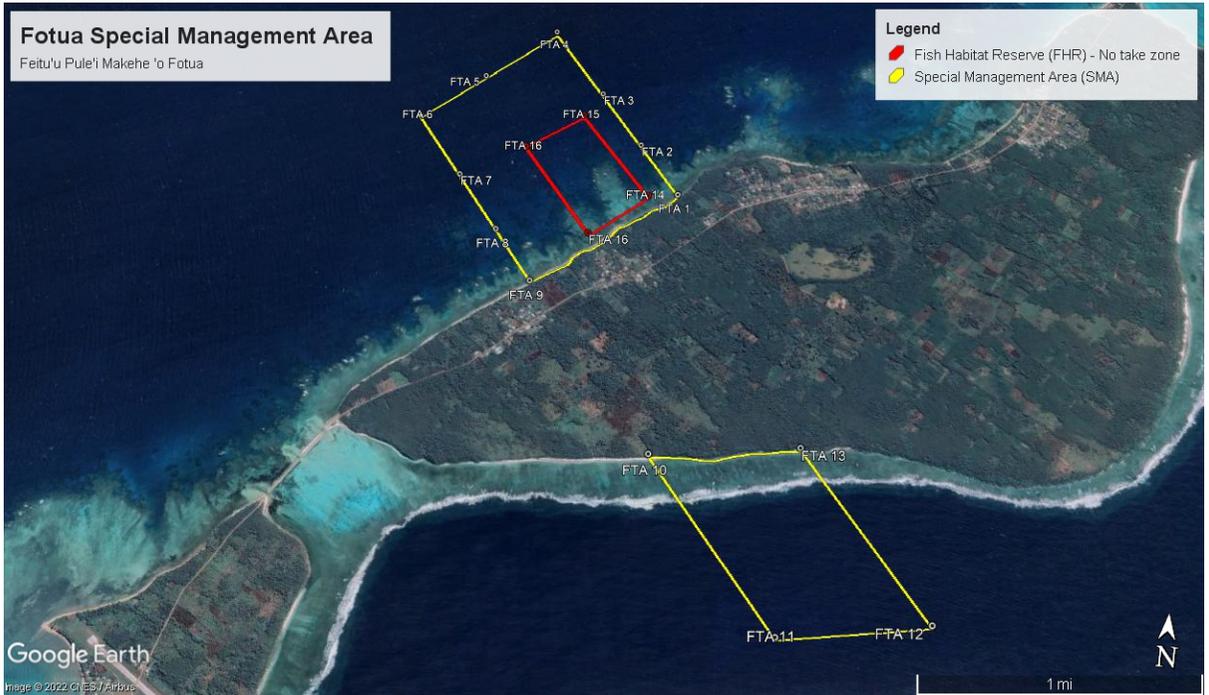
FTA3	19° 44.057'S	174° 19.329'W
FTA4	19° 43.718'S	174° 19.580'W
FTA5	19° 44.004'S	174° 19.862'W
FTA6	19° 44.249'S	174° 20.111'W
FTA7	19° 44.538'S	174° 19.884'W
FTA8	19° 44.789'S	174° 19.690'W
FTA9	19° 45.011'S	174° 19.518'W
FTA10	19° 45.669'S	174° 18.990'W
FTA11	19° 46.246'S	174° 18.522'W
FTA12	19° 46.160'S	174° 18.004'W
FTA13	19° 45.594'S	174° 18.444'W

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 3 of Annex 2 shall be a Fish Habitat Reserve Area.

GPS Coordinates for Fotua FHR Area

Points	Latitude	Longitude
FTA14	19° 44.568'S	174° 19.084'W
FTA15	19° 44.180'S	174° 19.399'W
FTA16	19° 44.369'S	174° 19.627'W
FTA17	19° 44.772'S	174° 19.313'W

Map 3: Fotua SMA Boundary (Note: Yellow line: Propose SMA Boundary, Red area: Propose Fish Habitat Reserve (FHR) Area)



63. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA (SMA) OF FANGALE’OUNGA (Ha’apai)

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 4 of Annex 2 shall be a Special Management Area for the purpose of coastal community management.

GPS Coordinates for Fangale’ounga SMA

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
FNG 1	19°45.011"S	174°19.518"W
FNG 2	19°44.789"S	174°19.690"W

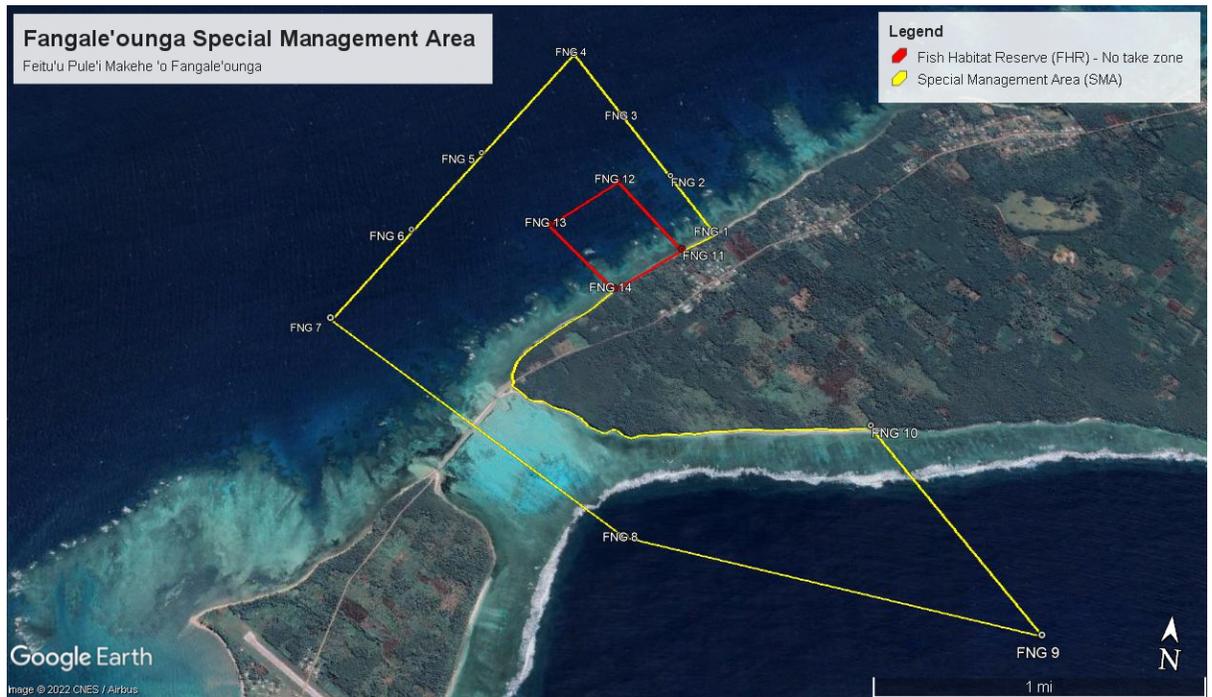
FNG 3	19°44.538"S	174°19.884"W
FNG 4	19°44.249"S	174°20.111"W
FNG 5	19°44.755"S	174°20.388"W
FNG 6	19°45.103"S	174°20.576"W
FNG 7	19°45.468"S	174°20.773"W
FNG 8	19°46.088"S	174°19.725"W
FNG 9	19°46.246"S	174°18.522"W
FNG 10	19°45.669"S	174°18.990"W

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 4 of Annex 2 shall be a Fish Habitat Reserve Area.

GPS Coordinates for Fangale’ounga FHR Area

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
FNG 11	19°45.089"S	174°19.627"W
FNG 12	19°44.825"S	174°19.878"W
FNG 13	19°45.031"S	174°20.100"W
FNG 14	19°45.265"S	174°19.845"W

Map 4: Fangale’ounga SMA Boundary (Note: Yellow line: Propose SMA Boundary, Red area: Propose Fish Habitat Reserve (FHR) Area)



64. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA (SMA) OF FOTUHA’A (Ha’apai)

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 5 of Annex 2 shall be a Special Management Area for the purpose of coastal community management.

GPS Coordinates for Fotuha’a SMA

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
FTH 1	19° 49.277'S	174° 42.434'W
FTH 2	19° 47.285'S	174° 42.858'W
FTH 3	19° 45.590'S	174° 43.225'W
FTH 4	19° 45.366'S	174° 44.399'W

FTH 5	19° 45.113'S	174° 45.715'W
FTH 6	19° 45.438'S	174° 46.017'W
FTH 7	19° 46.748'S	174° 45.380'W
FTH 8	19° 48.162'S	174° 44.695'W
FTH 9	19° 49.303'S	174° 44.138'W

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 5 of Annex 2 shall be a Fish Habitat Reserve Area.

GPS Coordinates for Fotuha’a FHR Area

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
FTH 10	19° 48.921'S	174° 43.258'W
FTH 11	19° 48.986'S	174° 43.260'W
FTH 12	19° 48.979'S	174° 43.088'W
FTH 13	19° 48.970'S	174° 42.909'W
FTH 14	19° 48.864'S	174° 42.777'W
FTH 15	19° 48.863'S	174° 42.863'W

Map 5: Fotuha’a SMA Boundary (Note: Yellow line: Propose SMA Boundary, Red area: Propose Fish Habitat Reserve (FHR) Area)



(c) by deleting and replacing the Special Management Area maps and boundaries for Item 29 with the following -

“29. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA (SMA) OF HOUMA (‘Eua)

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 6 of Annex 1 shall be a Special Management Area for the purpose of coastal community management

GPS Coordinates for Houma SMA area

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
HM 1	21° 18.908'S	174° 56.298'W
HM 2	21° 18.426'S	174° 57.271'W
HM 3	21° 17.053'S	174° 56.890'W
HM 4	21° 15.998'S	174° 54.579'W
HM 5	21° 17.406'S	174° 53.752'W
HM 6	21° 19.581'S	174° 53.750'W
HM 7	21° 19.588'S	174° 54.512'W

HM 8	21° 18.804'S	174° 56.494'W
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The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 6 of Annex 1 shall be a FHRA 1.

GPS Coordinates for Houma FHR Area 1

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
HM 1	21° 18.908'S	174° 56.298'W
HM 8	21° 18.804'S	174° 56.494'W
HM 9	21° 18.401'S	174° 56.371'W
HM 10	21° 18.495'S	174° 56.169'W

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 6 of Annex 1 shall be a FHRA 2.

GPS Coordinates for Houma FHR Area 2

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
HM 11	21° 17.020'S	174° 54.993'W
HM 12	21° 16.875'S	174° 54.829'W
HM 13	21° 17.523'S	174° 54.574'W
HM 14	21° 17.626'S	174° 54.759'W

Map 6: Amendment of Houma SMA Boundary



- (d) by deleting and replacing the Special Management Area maps and boundaries for Item 30 with the following -

“30. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA (SMA) OF TUFUVAI (‘Eua)

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 5 of Annex 1 shall be a Special Management Area for the purpose of coastal community management

GPS Coordinates for Tufuvai SMA area

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
TUF 1	21° 20.944'S	174° 57.831'W
TUF 2	21° 22.203'S	174° 58.373'W
TUF 3	21° 22.309'S	174° 59.134'W
TUF 4	21° 22.395'S	174° 59.732'W
TUF 5	21° 21.690'S	174° 59.521'W
TUF 6	21° 20.790'S	174° 59.255'W
TUF 7	21° 20.882'S	174° 58.483'W

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 5 of Annex 1 shall be a Fish Habitat Reserve Area.

GPS Coordinates for Tufuvai FHR Area

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
TUF 8	21° 21.724'S	174° 58.190'W
TUF 9	21° 21.688'S	174° 58.510'W
TUF 10	21° 22.029'S	174° 58.620'W
TUF 11	21° 22.040'S	174° 58.339'W

Map 5: Amendment of Tufuvai SMA Boundary (Note: Yellow line: Propose SMA Boundary, Red area: Propose FHRA (FHR-no take zone))



- (e) by deleting and replacing the Special Management Area maps and boundaries for Item 41 with the following -

“41. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA (SMA) OF MAKAVE (Vava’u)

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 1 of Annex 1 shall be a Special Management Area for the purpose of coastal community management

GPS Coordinates for Makave SMA

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
MKV1	18° 39.107'S	173° 58.323'W
MKV2	18° 39.297'S	173° 58.320'W
MKV3	18° 39.360'S	173° 58.039'W
MKV4	18° 39.522'S	173° 57.982'W
MKV5	18° 39.830'S	173° 58.051'W
MKV6	18° 40.012'S	173° 58.255'W
MKV7	18° 40.138'S	173° 58.231'W
MKV8	18° 40.272'S	173° 58.042'W
MKV9	18° 40.205'S	173° 57.672'W
MKV 10	18° 39.947'S	173° 57.514'W
MKV 11	18° 39.751'S	173° 57.397'W
MKV 12	18° 39.575'S	173° 57.395'W
MKV 13	18° 38.994'S	173° 57.388'W
MKV 14	18° 38.807'S	173° 57.215'W

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 1 of Annex 1 shall be a FHRA1.

GPS Coordinates for Makave FHR Area 1

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
MKV 10	18° 39.947'S	173° 57.514'W
MKV 11	18° 39.751'S	173° 57.397'W
MKV 12	18° 39.575'S	173° 57.395'W
MKV 15	18° 39.575'S	173° 57.546'W
MKV 16	18° 39.931'S	173° 57.659'W

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 1 of Annex 1 shall be a FHRA 2.

GPS Coordinates for Makave FHR Area 2

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
MKV 17	18° 39.247'S	173° 57.990'W
MKV 18	18° 39.318'S	173° 58.013'W
MKV 19	18° 39.280'S	173° 58.124'W
MKV 20	18° 39.242'S	173° 58.235'W
MKV 21	18° 39.175'S	173° 58.230'W

Map 1: Amendment of Makave SMA Boundary (Note: Yellow line: Propose SMA Boundary, Red area: Propose FHRA (FHR-no take zone))



- (f) by deleting and replacing the Special Management Area maps and boundaries for Item 42 with the following -

“42. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA (SMA) OF NUAPAPU (Vava’u)

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 3 of Annex 1 shall be a Special Management Area for the purpose of coastal community management

GPS Coordinates for Nuapapu SMA

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
NPU 1	18° 42.324'S	174° 4.119'W
NPU 2	18° 42.772'S	174° 4.858'W
NPU 3	18° 42.833'S	174° 5.143'W
NPU 4	18° 42.874'S	174° 5.384'W
NPU 5	18° 42.916'S	174° 6.032'W
NPU 6	18° 42.904'S	174° 6.217'W
NPU 7	18° 42.043'S	174° 6.190'W
NPU 8	18° 41.653'S	174° 5.197'W
NPU 9	18° 41.249'S	174° 4.143'W
NPU 10	18° 40.919'S	174° 4.056'W
NPU 11	18° 40.904'S	174° 3.874'W
NPU 12	18° 41.568'S	174° 3.962'W
NPU 13	18° 42.171'S	174° 4.042'W

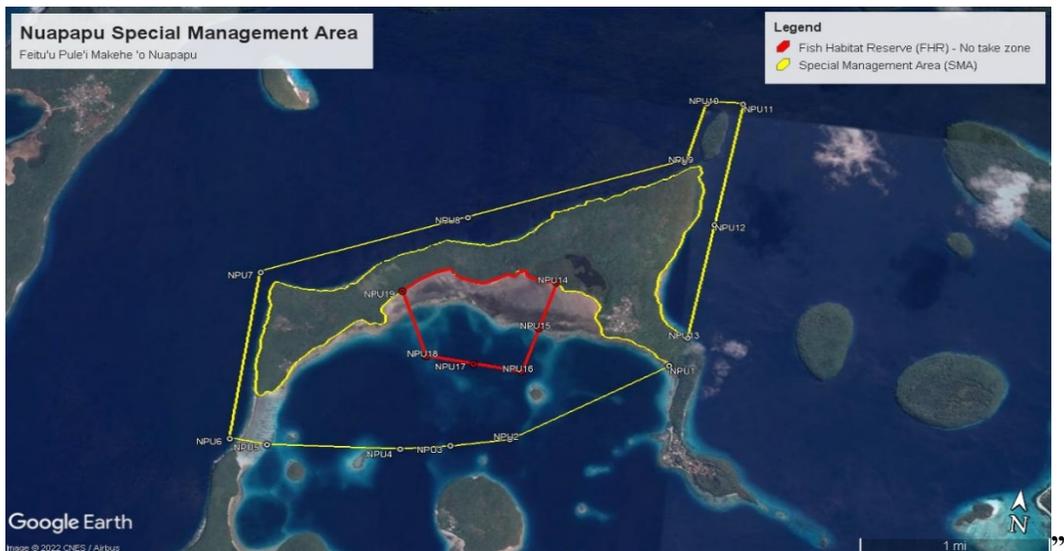
The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 3 of Annex 1 shall be a FHRA 1.

GPS Coordinates for Nuapapu FHR Area

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
NPU 14	18° 41.950'S	174° 4.719'W

NPU 15	18° 42.195'S	174° 4.780'W
NPU 16	18° 42.423'S	174° 4.840'W
NPU 17	18° 42.410'S	174° 5.079'W
NPU 18	18° 42.393'S	174° 5.317'W
NPU 19	18° 42.071'S	174° 5.476'W

Map 3: Amendment of Nuapapu SMA Boundary (Note: Yellow line: Propose SMA Boundary, Red area: Propose FHRA (FHR-no take zone))



- (g) by deleting and replacing the Special Management Area maps and boundaries for Item 48 with the following -

“48. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA (SMA) OF MAKAUNGA (Tongatapu)

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 4 of Annex 1 shall be a Special Management Area for the purpose of coastal community management.

GPS Coordinates for Makaunga SMA Area

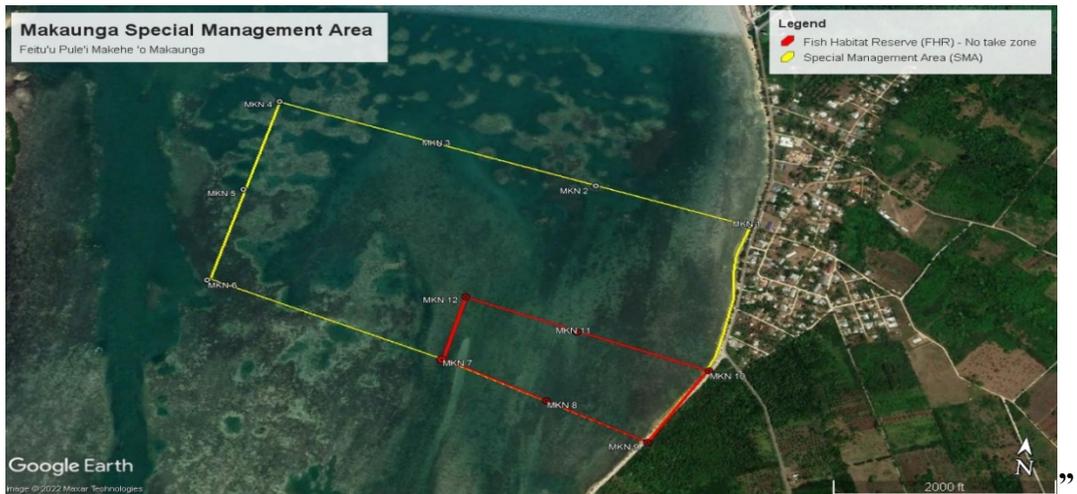
Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
MKN 1	21° 8.312'S	175° 7.296'W
MKN 2	21° 8.255'S	175° 7.564'W
MKN 3	21° 8.194'S	175° 7.843'W
MKN 4	21° 8.128'S	175° 8.135'W
MKN 5	21° 8.318'S	175° 8.166'W
MKN 6	21° 8.505'S	175° 8.187'W
MKN 7	21° 8.621'S	175° 7.784'W
MKN 8	21° 8.681'S	175° 7.606'W
MKN 9	21° 8.741'S	175° 7.438'W

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 4 of Annex 1 shall be a FHRA 1.

GPS Coordinates for Makaunga FHR Area

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
MKN 7	21° 8.621'S	175° 7.784'W
MKN 8	21° 8.681'S	175° 7.606'W
MKN 9	21° 8.741'S	175° 7.438'W
MKN 10	21° 8.601'S	175° 7.348'W
MKN 11	21° 8.548'S	175° 7.569'W
MKN 12	21° 8.498'S	175° 7.760'W

Map 4: Amendment of Makaunga SMA Boundary (Note: Yellow line: Propose SMA Boundary, Red area: Propose FHRA (FHR-no take zone))



- (h) by deleting and replacing the Special Management Area maps and boundaries for Item 50 with the following -

“50. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA (SMA) OF ‘OLO’UA (Vava’u)

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 2 of Annex 1 shall be a Special Management Area for the purpose of coastal community management

GPS Coordinates for ‘Olo’ua SMA

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
OLA 1	18° 39.751'S	173° 57.397'W
OLA 2	18° 39.777'S	173° 57.149'W
OLA 3	18° 39.895'S	173° 56.199'W
OLA 4	18° 40.823'S	173° 56.382'W
OLA 5	18° 40.748'S	173° 57.810'W
OLA 6	18° 40.235'S	173° 57.852'W
OLA 7	18° 40.205'S	173° 57.672'W

The area inside the straight boundary lines drawn between the Geographical Boundary Points with geographical coordinates outlines in Map 2 of Annex 1 shall be a Fish Habitat Reserve Area.

GPS Coordinates for 'Olo'ua FHR Area

Points	Latitudes	Longitudes
OLA 1	18° 39.751'S	173° 57.397'W
OLA 2	18° 39.777'S	173° 57.149'W
OLA 7	18° 40.205'S	173° 57.672'W
OLA 8	18° 40.101'S	173° 57.206'W

Map 2: Amendment of 'Olo'ua SMA Boundary (Note: Yellow line: Propose SMA Boundary, Red area: Propose FHRA (FHR-no take zone))



Made at Nuku'alofa this 10th day of **February** 2022.

Lord Fohe
Acting Minister of Fisheries