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FISHERIES RESOURCES (SAPODILLA CAYES MARINE RESERVE) ORDER, 2020

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STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

No. 107 of 2020

ORDER made by the Minister responsible for Fisheries in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 14(1)(b) of the Fisheries Resources Act, Act No. 7 of 2020, and all other powers thereunto him enabling.

(Gazetted 29th July, 2020.)

1. This Order may be cited as the

Citation.

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2. The area known as the Sapodilla Cayes, as more fully described in Schedule I to this Order, is hereby declared to be a marine reserve for the purposes of the Fisheries Resources Act.

Declaration of Marine Reserve. Schedule I. Act No. 7 of 2020.

3. The map of the Sapodilla Cayes Marine Reserve is set out in Schedule II.

Schedule II.

Map of Marine Reserve.

4. The Fisheries (Sapodilla Cayes Marine Reserve) Order, 1996 is repealed.

Repeal. S.I. 117 of 96. 50 of 2009.

SCHEDULE I

[paragraph 2]

SAPODILLA CAYES MARINE RESERVE

ALL THAT PORTION of the Caribbean Sea, land and reef known as the Sapodilla Cayes consisting of approximately 321,623.5 acres and comprising the General Use Zone, Conservation Zone I, Preservation Zone, Conservation Zone III, Conservation Zone IIIIA, Conservation Zone IIIB and Conservation Zone IV and more fully described as follows:

GENERAL USE ZONE

ALL THAT AREA of the Caribbean Sea and reef except for the areas designated and described below as Conservation Zone I, Preservation Zone, Conservation Zone II, Conservation Zone IIIA, Conservation Zone IIIB and Conservation Zone IV comprising approximately 32,482 acres and commencing at a point A having scaled UTM coordinate of 369498 East and 1791221 North; thence in a Southerly direction to a point B having scaled UTM coordinate of 366061 East and 1779812 North; thence in a Southwestern direction to a point D having scaled UTM coordinate of 363074 East and 1777459 North; thence in a Westerly direction to a point E having scaled UTM coordinate of 359601 East an 177459 North; thence in a Northwesterly direction to a point F having scaled UTM coordinate of 357210 East and 1779812 North; thence in a Northwesterly direction to a point G having scaled UTM coordinate of 355156 EAST and 1787804 North; thence in a Northerly direction to a point H having scaled UTM coordinate of 355156 East and 1791221 North; thence in a Easterly direction to the point of commencement.

CONSERVATION ZONE I

ALL THAT AREA comprising sea and reef containing approximately 651 acres commencing at a point PI having scaled UTM coordinate of 357717 East and 1787569 North; thence in a Southeasterly direction for a distance of approximately 4,121 meters to a point P2 having scaled UTM coordinate of 357839 East and 1783450 North; thence in a Northwesterly direction for

a distance of approximately 671 meters to a point P3 having scaled UTM coordinate of 357186 East and 1783608 North; thence in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of approximately 3,754 meters to a point P4 having scaled UTM coordinate of 357031 East and 1787358 North; thence in a Northeasterly direction for a distance of approximately 716 meters to the point of commencement.

PRESERVATION ZONE

ALL THAT AREA comprising sea and reef containing approximately 548 acres commencing a point P5 having scaled UTM coordinate of 367722 East and 1786769 North; thence in a Southwesterly direction for a distance of approximately 1,354 meters to a point P6 having scaled UTM coordinate of 367417 East and 1785449 North; thence in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of approximately 1,798 meters to a point P7 having scaled UTM coordinate of 365667 East and 1785859 North; thence in a Northeasterly direction for a distance of approximately 1,588 meters to a point P8 having scaled UTM coordinate of 366507 East and 1787206 North; thence in a Southeasterly direction for a distance of approximately 1,292 meters to the point of commencement.

CONSERVATION ZONE II

ALL THAT AREA comprising sea and reef containing approximately 4,913 acres commencing at a point P6 on the Southwesterly boundaries of the Preservation Zone having scaled UTM coordinate of 367417 East and 1785449 North; thence in a Southwesterly direction for a distance of approximately 1,355 meters to a point P9 having scaled UTM coordinate of 367320 East and 1784097 North; thence in a Southwesterly direction for a distance of approximately 3,440 meters to a point P10 having scaled UTM coordinate of 365756 East and 1781034 North; thence in a Southwesterly direction for a distance of approximately 4,681 meters to a point P11 having scaled UTM coordinate of 362261 East and 1777920 North; thence in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of approximately 1,639 meters to a point P12 having scaled UTM coordinate of 361258 East and 1779218 North; thence in a Northeasterly direction for a distance of approximately 3,746 meters to a point P13 having scaled UTM coordinates 363328 East and 1782339 North; thence in a Northeasterly direction to a distance of

approximately 4,226 meters to a point P7 being the Southwesterly boundary of the Preservation Zone and having scaled UTM coordinate of 365667 East and 1785859 North; thence in a Southeasterly direction for a distance of approximately 1,798 meters to the point of commencement.

CONSERVATION ZONE III A

ALL THAT AREA of the Caribbean Sea, zoned as **CONSERVATION ZONE III A** and more fully described using the North American Datum of 1927 (NAD27) and scaling all coordinates, in metres, on Zone 16 of the Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) projection.

DESCRIPTION - CONSERVATION ZONE III A: Commencing at a point having coordinates 339608 East, 1785515 North; thence proceeding North for approximately 5,000 meters to point along the Port Honduras Marine Reserve having coordinates 339645 East, 1790516 North; thence north east along the Port Honduras Marine Reserve boundary for a distance of 1,400 meters; thence east for a distance of 14,300 meters to a point being the most north western point of the General Use Zone having coordinates 355156 East, 1791221 North; thence south along the General Use Zone boundary line for a distance of 1,500 meters to a point along the northern boundary of Seal Caye, Sapodilla Cayes Spawning Aggregation Site Reserve having coordinates 355156 East, 1789737 North; thence west along the said boundary line for a distance of 50 meters to a point having coordinate 355111 East, 1789737 North; thence south along the said western boundary of Seal Caye, Sapodilla Caye Spawning Site for a distance of 3,300 meters to a point having coordinate 355111 East, 1786480 North; thence east along the aforementioned spawning site for a distance of 390 meters to a point having coordinate 355496 East, 1786480 North; thence in a direction southeast along the General Use Zone boundary for a distance of 6,900 meters to a point having coordinates 357200 East, 1779812 North, thence continue in a general south- easterly direction along the General Use Zone to point on the along the northern boundary of Rise and Fall Bank Sapodilla Cayes Spawning Site having coordinates 358654 East, 1778391 North; thence west along the said northern boundary of Rise and Fall Bank Sapodilla Cayes Spawning Site for distance of 140 meters to a point having coordinates 358510 East 1778391 North; thence in a direction south along the western boundary of Rise and Fall Bank Sapodilla Cayes Spawning Site

for a distance of 3,900 meters to a point having coordinates 358510 East, 1774483 North; thence east along the southern boundary of Rise and Fall Bank Sapodilla Cayes Spawning Site for a distance of 4,400 meters to a point having coordinates 362920 East1774483 North; thence north along the eastern boundary of Rise and Fall Bank Sapodilla Cayes Spawning Site for a distance of 3,000 meters to a point having coordinates 363914 East, 1774459 North; thence east along the southern boundary of the General Use Zone for a distance of 160 meters to a point having coordinates 363074 East, 1777459 North; thence in a generally north easterly direction along the General Use Zone boundary for a distance of 3,800 meters to a point having coordinates 366061 East, 1779812 North; thence continuing in a north-easterly direction along the General Use Zone boundary for a distance of 280 meters to a point having coordinates 366170 East, 1780066 North; thence in a direction east along the southern boundary of Nicholas Caye, Sapodilla Cayes Spawning Site for a distance of 780 meters to a point having coordinates 366952 East, 1780051 North; thence southwest for a distance of approximately 8,500 meters to a point having coordinates 363425 East, 1772337 North; thence west for approximately 28,100 meters back to the point of origin and encompassing an area of approximately 51,254.6 acres.

CONSERVATION ZONE III B

ALL THAT AREA of the Caribbean Sea, zoned as **CONSERVATION ZONE III B** and more fully described using the North American Datum of 1927 (NAD27) and scaling all coordinates, in metres, on Zone 16 of the Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) projection.

DESCRIPTION - CONSERVATION ZONE III B: Commencing at a point northeast of Tom Owen's Caye, being the north-eastern point of the General Use Zone and having coordinates 369498 East, 1791221 North; thence in a direction east for a distance of 2,560 meters to a point having coordinates 372060 East, 1791221 North; thence southwest for an approximate distance of 11,200 meters to a point along the Nicholas Caye Sapodilla Cayes Spawning Aggregation site declared under Statutory Instrument No.161 of 2003 having coordinate 367422 East and 1781078 North; thence north along the eastern boundary of Nicholas Caye Sapodilla Cayes Spawning Aggregation site for a distance of 1,800 meters to a point having coordinates 367419 East, 1782835 North; thence in a direction east

for a distance of 60 meters to a point along the eastern boundary of the General Use Zone having coordinates 367361 East, 1782835 North; thence in a direction northeast along the eastern boundary of the General Use Zone for a distance of 5,400 meters to a point having coordinates 369498 East, 1787804 North; thence continuing north along the eastern boundary of the General Use Zone for a distance of 3,400 meters back to the point of origin and encompassing an area of approximately 2821.9 acres.

CONSERVATION ZONE IV

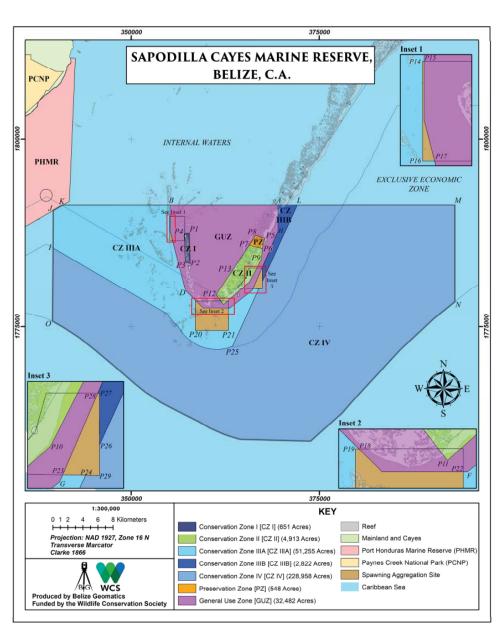
ALL THAT AREA of the Caribbean Sea, zoned as **CONSERVATION ZONE IV** and more fully described using the North American Datum of 1927 (NAD27) and scaling all coordinates, in metres, on Zone 16 of the Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) projection

DESCRIPTION - CONSERVATION ZONE IV: Commencing at a point having coordinates 339608 East, 1785515 North; thence proceeding South for approximately 9,800 meters to a point, having coordinates 339536 East, 1775722 North; thence in a generally Eastern direction, along the Exclusive Economic Zone boundary line, for approximately 65,700 meters to a point having coordinates 392998 East, 1778295 North; thence due north for approximately 12,900 meters to a point having coordinates 392998 East, 1791233 North; thence west for an approximately 20,900 meters to a point having coordinates 327060 East, 1791221 North; thence southwest for an approximate distance of 11,200 meters to a point along the Sapodilla Spawning Aggregation site declared under Statutory Instrument No.161 of 2003 having coordinate 367422 East and 1781078 North; thence south along the aforementioned Sapodilla Spawning Aggregation site for approximately 1,040 meters to a point having coordinates 367424 East, 1780042 North; thence west along the Southern boundary of the said Sapodilla Spawning Aggregation site for approximately 500 meters to a point 366952 East, 1780051 North; thence southwest for a distance of approximately 8,500 meters to a point having coordinates 363425 East, 1772337 North; thence west for approximately 28,100 meters back to the point of origin and encompassing an area of approximately 228,953 acres.

SCHEDULE II

[paragraph 3]

SAPODILLA CAYES MARINE RESERVE MAP



MADE by the Minister responsible for Fisheries this 29th day of July, 2020.

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