

PUERTO RICO

Benthic Habitats of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands—2000, 2001

<http://biogeo.nos.noaa.gov/products/benthic/>

This CD-ROM provides a benthic habitat classification manual, geospatial data, and a benthic habitat map for the nearshore waters of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The CD-ROM was created in partnership with the National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science.

National Estuarine Research Reserve System Data Rescue—1997 to 1999

www.csc.noaa.gov/pagis/html/esdimindex.htm

This project was designed to provide state coastal zone management programs with access to an integrated data-sharing system. Data formerly in a hard copy format were digitized, with priority given to those data sets in danger of immediate loss due to media deterioration. Rescued data sets are accessible through the Internet via a geographic information system, and selected data and metadata were published on a CD-ROM.

Needs Assessment for Island Coastal Programs—2001

The Center conducted a needs assessment of each island coastal program. The goal was to collect information about the position of the coastal management program, in terms of its technical and nontechnical resources, to meet its goals. The assessment initiated the development of appropriate and feasible projects between the Center and the island coastal programs.

Protected Areas GIS (PAGIS)

www.csc.noaa.gov/pagis/

The PAGIS project brought compatible geographic information systems (GIS), geographic data management, and Internet capabilities to each of the nation's 25 Estuarine Research Reserves and 13 Marine Sanctuaries. Through PAGIS, the reserves and sanctuaries also developed advanced data sets, underwent extensive training, and found innovative ways to make the most effective use of their new data and technological capabilities.

Shoreline Data Rescue—1997 to 2001

www.csc.noaa.gov/products/shorelines/

GIS-compatible shoreline data sets that include high-resolution contemporary and historic shorelines are available from the Center's Web site. The source of the historic shoreline data is NOAA t-sheet charts dating from the 1800s. This information is most frequently used to measure shoreline change.