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Authority: The collection of this information is authorized under the Coral Reef Conservation Act (P.L. 106-562).

Purpose: Stakeholder use information, as related to frequency and areas of use, views on area conditions, and perceptions concerning congestion are needed to determine limits of acceptable change (LAC) in Puerto Rico's Northeastern Marine Corridor (Northeast Reserves and Culebra Island), which can be used to strengthen conservation of the area's coral reef and related ecosystems.

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Disclosure: Furnishing this information is voluntary; however, failure to participate in the survey will result in less information to support the conservation and management goals of the Coral Reef Conservation Program.

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12. What are the crowding/space conditions in the area where you take a majority of your trip?

- Very crowded - Little to no space for my activities
- Moderately crowded - Little space for my activities
- Normal
- Minimally crowded - lots of space for my activities
- Not crowded at all - all the space needed for my activities

Activity	Always, every trip	Most trips	Half of the trips	Few trips	Never
Line fishing					
Spearfishing					
Diving					
Snorkeling					
Swimming					
Waterskiing					
Cruising					
Visiting beaches					
Other					

13. Please estimate how often you participate in the following activities per trip.

14. In those activities in which you participate, how many other vessels do you see around you/next to you on a typical trip?

Activity	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-30	26-30	Mas que 30
Line fishing							
Spearfishing							
Diving							
Snorkeling							
Swimming							
Waterskiing							
Cruising							
Visiting beaches							
Other							

15. What is the MAXIMUM number of other vessels/users that you tolerate around you when participating in the following activities before leaving to find another location?

Activity	Number of vessels	Number of users
Line fishing		
Spearfishing		
Diving		
Snorkeling		
Swimming		
Waterskiing		
Cruising		
Visiting beaches		
Other		

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16. What is the condition of the following resources/experiences in the areas that you visit for a majority of your trips? Please rate all resources that apply.

Factor	High impact	Moderate impact	Some impact	Low impact	No impact at all
Number of other vessels in the area					
Number of other users/persons in the area					
Behavior/etiquette of other vessels					
Music, sound from other vessels					
Waste/garbage from other vessels					

17. How do the following factors affect the quality of a typical trip?

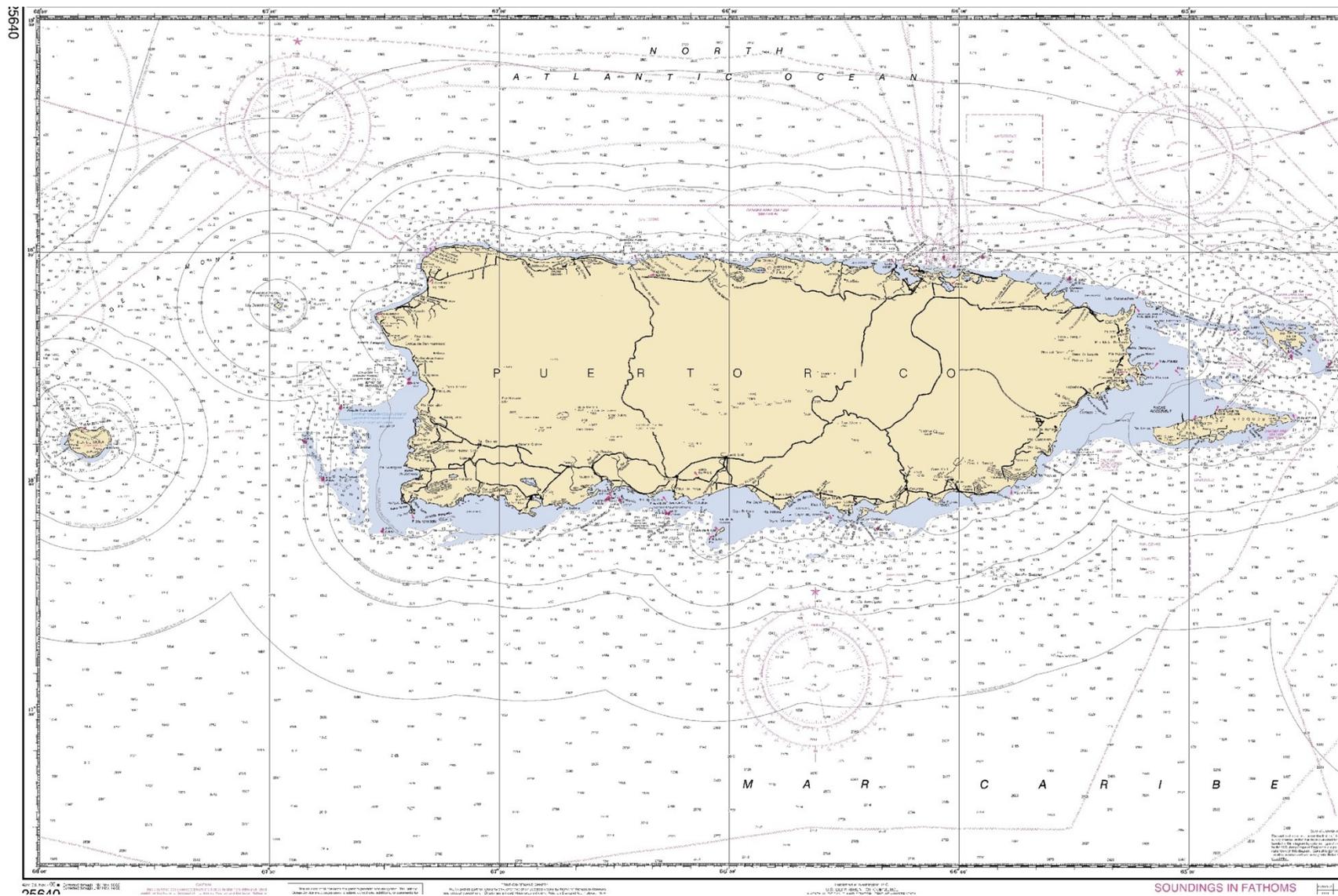
Resource/experience	Excellent	Good	Fair/neutral	Poor	Very poor
Water clarity					
Marine life diversity					
Marine life size					
Marine life abundance					
Coral reef abundance and diversity					
Coral health					
Beach quality					

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18. Using the map below, please identify the areas related to a typical trip, marking O for your primary port and X for the areas visited.



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19. If you use the areas shown below (northeastern Puerto Rico), please identify the areas that you use for the following activities:

Cruising

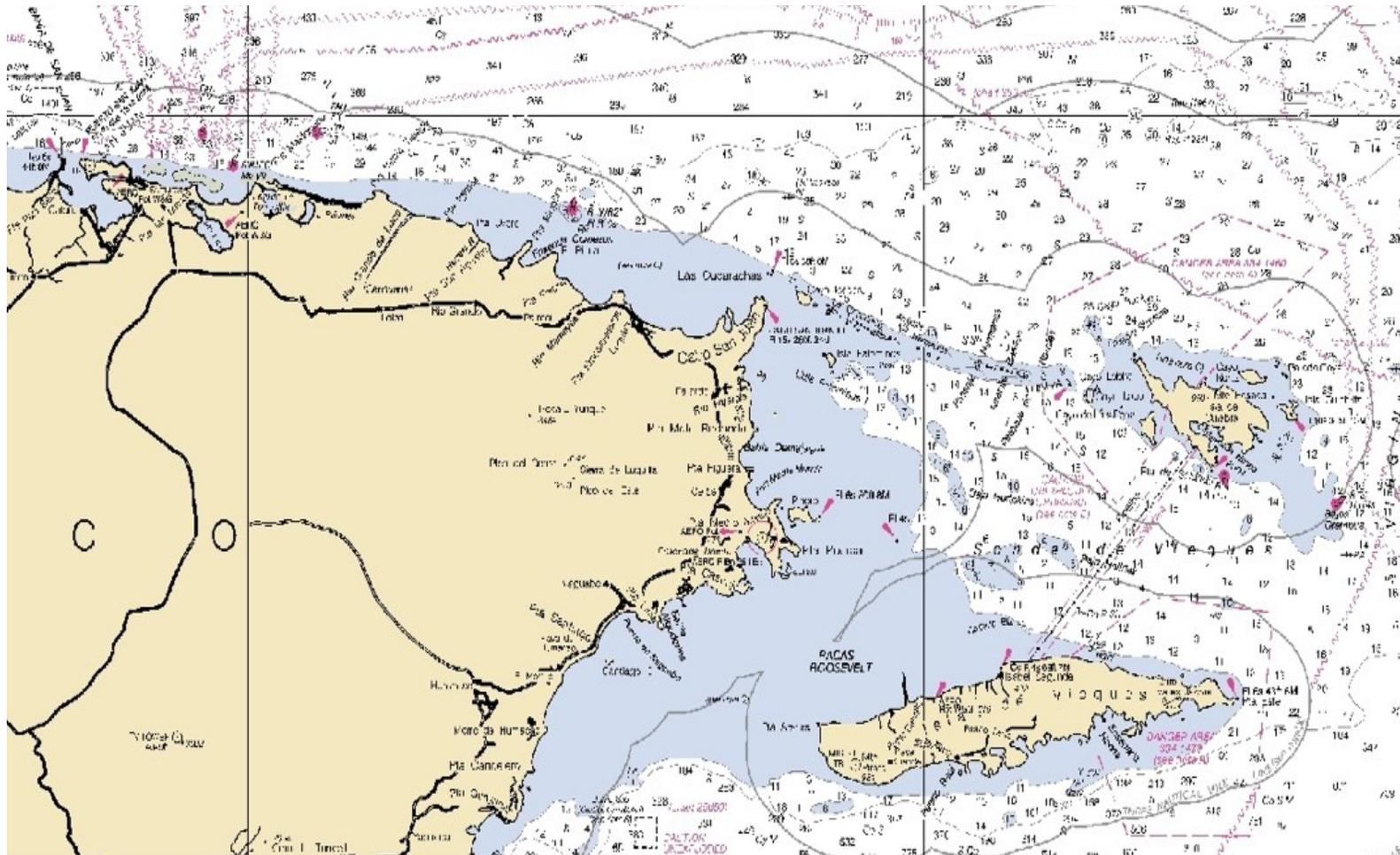
Snorkeling

Diving

Visiting beaches

Line fishing

Spearfishing



San Juan

Culebra

Vieques