

# Workshop of Range States of the American Eel Santo Domingo, 4-6 April 2018

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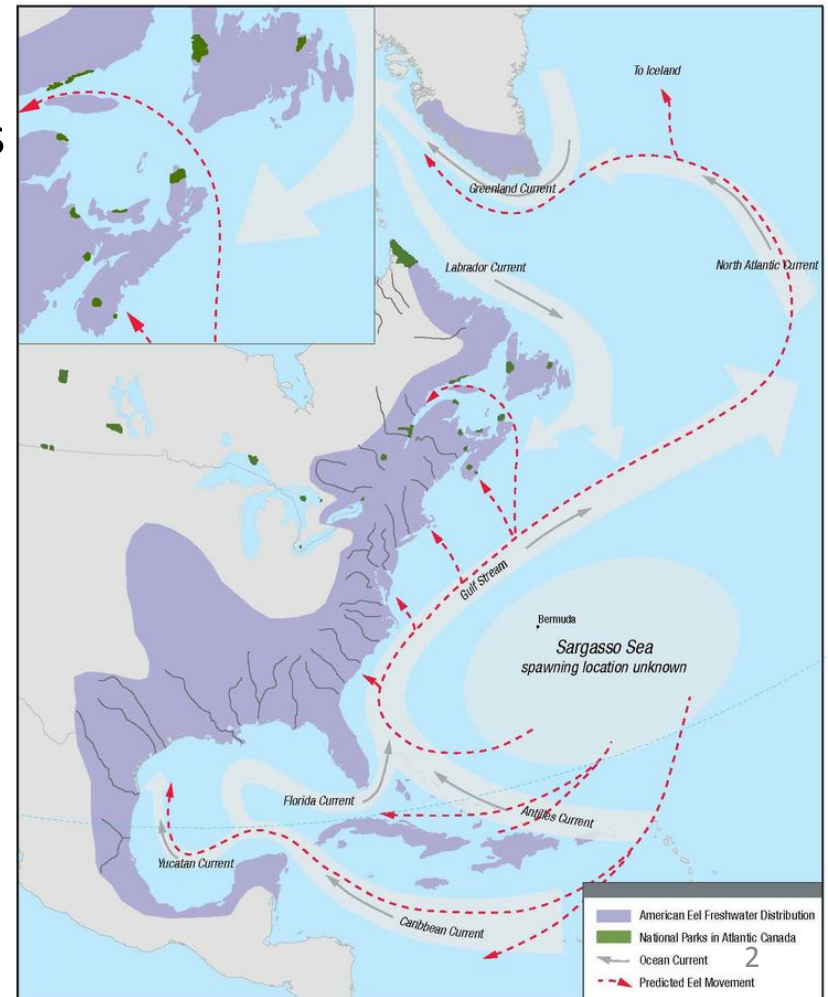
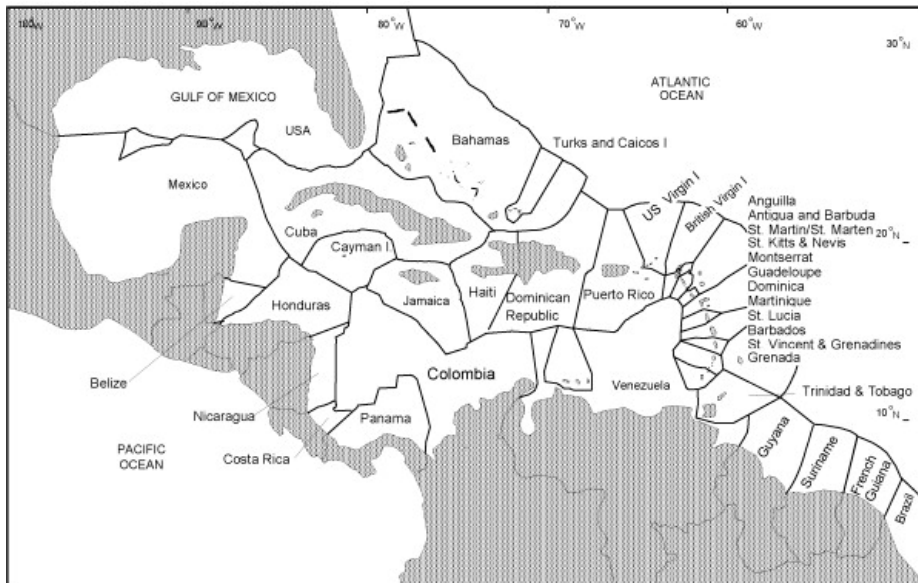
# Population Status of American Eel

- Please summarize the information you have about the biology and status of American eel in your country.

The American Eel (*Anguilla rostrata*) is present.

There is minimal documentation.

Adults and other stages have been seen.



# Domestic Harvest of American Eel

- Please summarize the information you have about the harvest of American eel in your country.
  - What life stages are harvested
  - What quantities are harvested
  - Summarize the end use (e.g. consumed domestically, exported)

“Please note that while the American Eel is said to be found in waters under Bahamian jurisdiction, it is not a species that is actively sought by Bahamian fishers. .... expertise relating to this particular species is sorely lacking. “

Edison Deleveaux  
Acting Director/ACIO  
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# National Legislation Relevant to Management of American Eel

- Does your country have legislation governing or regulating domestic harvest or use of American eels?

No.

- If yes, please provide overview of that legislation.

# Domestic Farming of American Eel

- Are American eels farmed in your country?

No

- If Yes, please describe (e.g. quantity, source, end use).

# Trade of American Eel

- Do you export or import American eels in your country?
  - If yes, what life stages or type of products?
  - What quantities are imported and exported?

No

- Is your country involved in other aspects of eel trade or commercial use ? (e.g. processing eels or holding juveniles for farming). If yes –please provide details.

No

# National Jurisdiction & Enforcement

- Which Government Departments or Agencies are responsible for monitoring and enforcement of legislation regarding harvesting, farming or imports/exports of eels?
- Department of Agriculture, Department of Marine Resources, BAHFSA and Dept. of Customs would be responsible for imports/exports.
- Have there been any cases of prosecutions for offenses regarding harvesting or exports of eels? If yes, please provide details.

No.

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