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Heartland District Enforcement Update



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Living Marine Resources Officer
Heartland District



Exclusive Economic Zone Enforcement



Fiscal Year	2023	2024	2025	2026
Interdictions	53	57	47	21
Red Snapper (lbs)	5,895	12,376	15,859	1,813

- Comments:
 - To date, the Heartland District has referred 10 lancha interdiction cases for prosecution under the Lacey Act and other criminal charges.
 - Of the 34 lancheros referred, 24 have been sentenced, 5 have plead guilty, and 5 are pending.
 - Through July FY26 we have detected 125 EEZ incursions, a 29% decrease from FY25.



Exclusive Economic Zone Enforcement





Domestic Fisheries Enforcement



Fiscal Year	2025	2026
Boardings	487	292
Significant Violations	9	8

Marine Protected Resources

Fiscal Year	2025	2026
Requests for Assistance	1	1
Interactions	1	1



Questions?

