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Heartland District Enforcement Update



LT Jackson Morton
Living Marine Resources Officer
Heartland District

Exclusive Economic Zone Enforcement

Fiscal Year	2023	2024	2025	2026
Interdictions	53	57	47	25
Red Snapper (lbs)	5,895	12,376	15,859	1,813

- Comments:
  - In FY26, the Heartland District referred 5 lancha interdiction cases for prosecution under the Lacey Act and other criminal charges.
  - The fall and winter months in FY quarters 1 and 4 are generally when lancha activity slows.
  - EEZ incursion detections for FY26 dropped 25% from FY25 totals.

Exclusive Economic Zone Enforcement



Domestic Fisheries Enforcement

Fiscal Year	2025	2026
Boardings	487	394
Significant Violations	9	8

Marine Protected Resources

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

Questions?


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