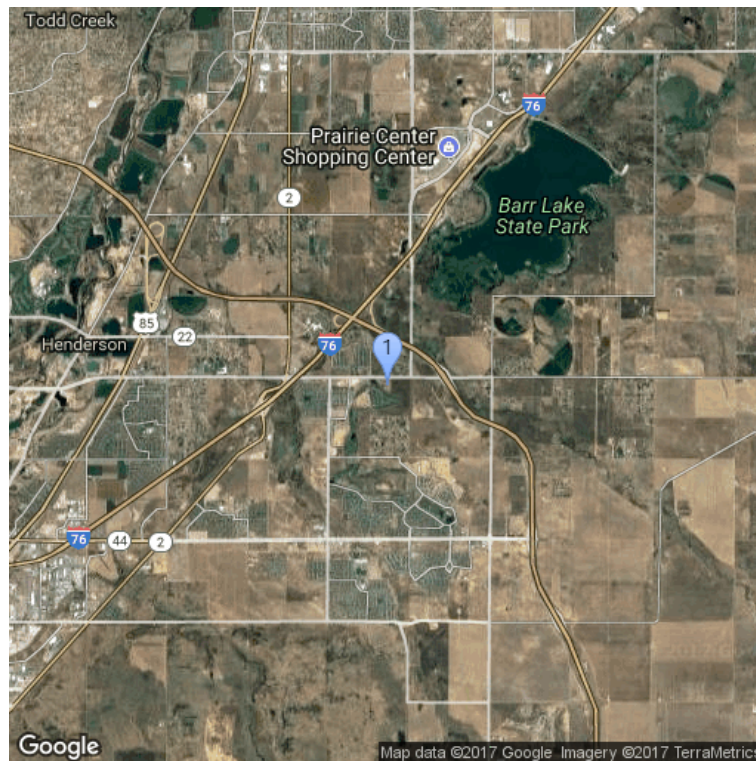




Tobago Cays Marine Park

**Short Name**

Tobago Cays / TCMP

Country

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Ecoregion location

Eastern Caribbean

Boundaries

The boundaries of the TCMP were agreed by the Marine Parks Board on 6 April 2006, and subsequently approved by cabinet on 1 November 2006, as defined by the following lines of latitude and longitude: N boundary: 12° 40' 00" N S boundary: 12° 36' 00" N E boundary: 61° 19' 00" W W boundary: 61° 24' 00" W

Map URL

<http://tobagocays.org/PDF/zonemap.pdf>

Total Surface area

66

Land Surface area

3.3 (5%)

Sea Surface area

62.7

Shoreline area

None

IUCN category

II

Designation

none

Date established

1997/12/01

Legal citation

1997 Marine Parks Act of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Citation reference URL

<http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/stv52993.pdf>

Primary management institution

National Parks Authority

Other institutions that participate in management

Through this plan the TCMP would be part of the larger network and coordinated with other site through the National Parks Authority. Additionally, a local NGO (SusGren) has recently facilitated the development of a formalized Grenadines Network of MPAs (including the TCMP, SIOBMPA, and MBMPA) in January 2011. The agreement signed among these sites fosters collaboration between the MPAs and their partner and information sharing on all aspects of MPA management

Personnel

While the staff management office is not located on-site, they are located on Union Island, which is approximately 20 minutes away by boat from the site. There are fifteen full time staff for the site which is close to 75% of that identified as needed for full site management. Site rangers are on the water daily. Other management staff are housed in the main office on Union Island and go to the site as needed.

Management objectives

species protection, ecosystem protection, recreational tourism use

Other management objectives

The GOSVG established the Tobago Cays as a marine park with a mission to protect, conserve and improve the natural resources of area.

Management framework

Yes

Date of establishment of management framework

None

Last update of management framework

None

Areas of special expertise for knowledge transfer