



# 1<sup>st</sup> Webinar

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# Rules of Engagement

- If you have a question, write it down in the Q & A section.
- Please use the raise hand symbol to request to speak.

# CARIBE WAVE 2025

- CARIBE WAVE 25 was held on **March 20, 2025**.
- In the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions, **45** out of 48 Member States and Territories participated in this exercise with a total of over **510,360** people engaged according to member states.



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# Feedback from CARIBE WAVE 2025

Based on Member state responses on Evaluation Survey

- “Share videos of how people can participate.”
- “More social media promotion.”
- “Involve more communities, schools and minority groups.”
- “Continue your promotions as per usual with greater emphasis on vulnerable communities.”

# Goals / Metrics

Goals	2016 Results	2017 Results	2018 Results	2019 Results	2020 Results	2021 Results	2022 Results	2023 Results	2024 Results	2025 Results	2026 Metrics
<b>TWFP receive the dummy message</b>	84%	95%	100%	89%	97%	97%	91%	97%	100%	100%	100%
<b>Participation of Member States of ICG/CARIBE-EWS with designated focal warning point</b>	100%	100%	97%	100%	92%	98%	100%	94%	98%	93%	100%
<b>Community involvement (including agencies beyond TWFP)</b>	73%	82%	77%	66%	38%	56%	43%	41%	76%	81%	95%
<b>Number of participants*</b>	332,812	679,985	643,403	793,353	4,622	333,518	413,281	422,913	470,423	510,360	+10%
<b>Countries who participate submit exercise questionnaire</b>	100%	100%	91%	82%	92%	95%	100%	93%	78%	91%	100%
<b>Members State and territories are satisfied with exercise</b>				82%	76%	96%	88%	97%	100%	86%	100%

\*As reported by Member States and Territories in survey

# Objectives for CARIBE WAVE 26

## 1. Exercise and evaluate communications between the Regional Tsunami Service Providers and Members States/Territories.

- A. Validate the **issuance** of tsunami products from the PTWC and CATAAC.
- B. Validate the **receipt** of tsunami products by CARIBE-EWS Tsunami Warning Focal Points (TWFPs) and/or National Tsunami Warning Centers (NTWCs).

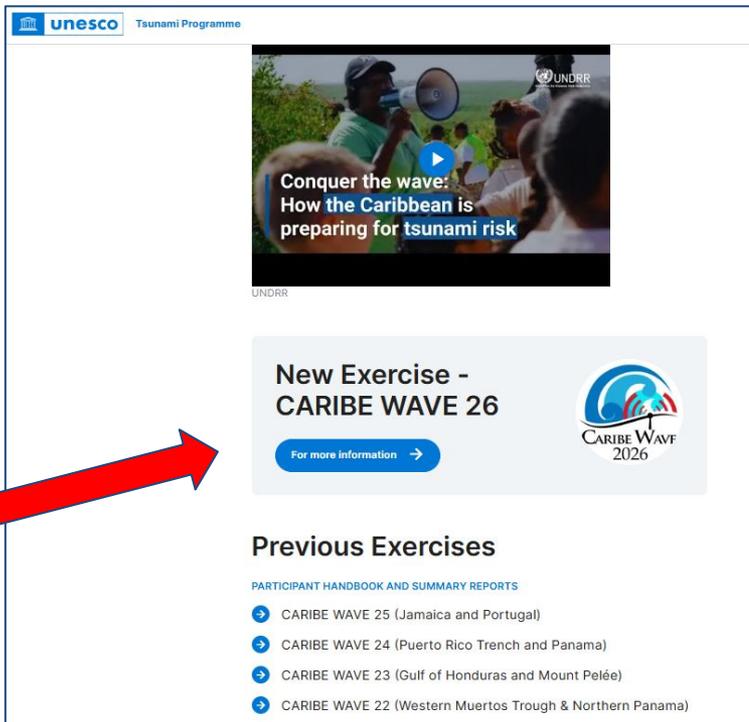
## 2. Evaluate the tsunami procedures and programs within Members States/Territories.

- A. Validate **readiness** to respond to a tsunami.
- B. Validate the **operational readiness** of the TWFPs/NTWCs and/or The National Disaster Management Office (NDMO).
- C. Improve **operational readiness**. Before the exercise, ensure appropriate tools and response plan(s) have been developed, including public education materials.
- D. Validate that the **dissemination of warnings** and information/advice by TWFPs and NTWCs, to relevant in-country agencies and the public is accurate and timely.
- E. Evaluate the status of the implementation of the UNESCO/IOC **Tsunami Ready** programme.

## 3. To evaluate volcanic products.

- A. Evaluate PTWC CARIBE-EWS procedures and products for volcanic events.
- B. Evaluate input and procedures from agencies responsible for volcano monitoring.
- C. Evaluate Member States and Territories response plans for volcano-generated tsunamis..

# CARIBE WAVE website: caribewave.org



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Conquer the wave:  
How the Caribbean is  
preparing for tsunami risk

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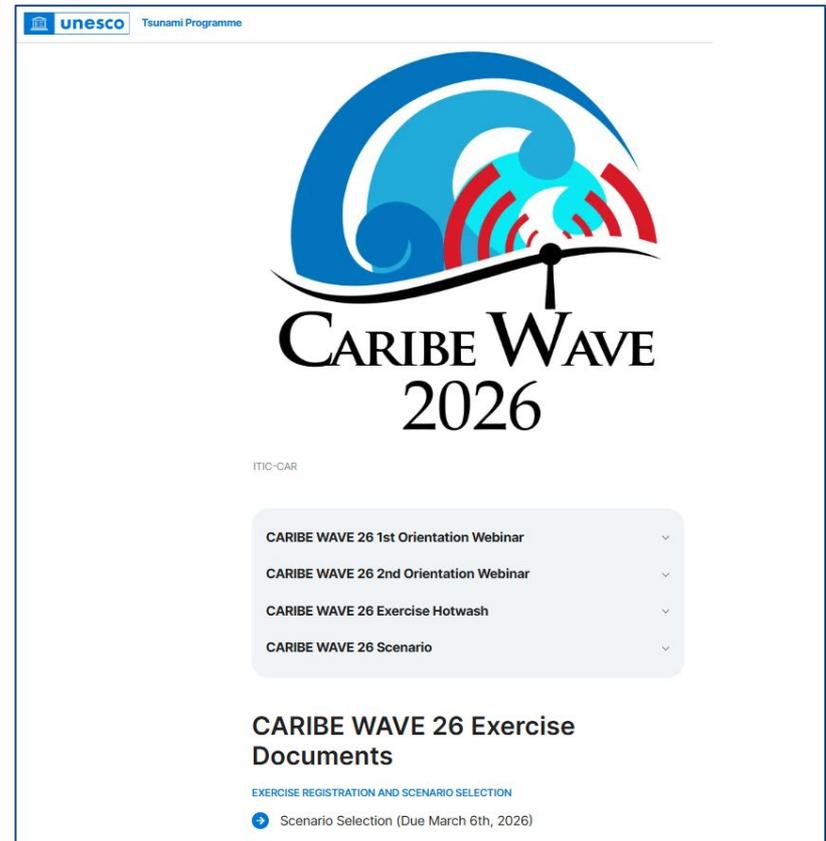
**New Exercise -  
CARIBE WAVE 26**

For more information →

**Previous Exercises**

PARTICIPANT HANDBOOK AND SUMMARY REPORTS

- CARIBE WAVE 25 (Jamaica and Portugal)
- CARIBE WAVE 24 (Puerto Rico Trench and Panama)
- CARIBE WAVE 23 (Gulf of Honduras and Mount Pelée)
- CARIBE WAVE 22 (Western Muertos Trough & Northern Panama)



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**CARIBE WAVE  
2026**

- CARIBE WAVE 26 1st Orientation Webinar
- CARIBE WAVE 26 2nd Orientation Webinar
- CARIBE WAVE 26 Exercise Hotwash
- CARIBE WAVE 26 Scenario

**CARIBE WAVE 26 Exercise  
Documents**

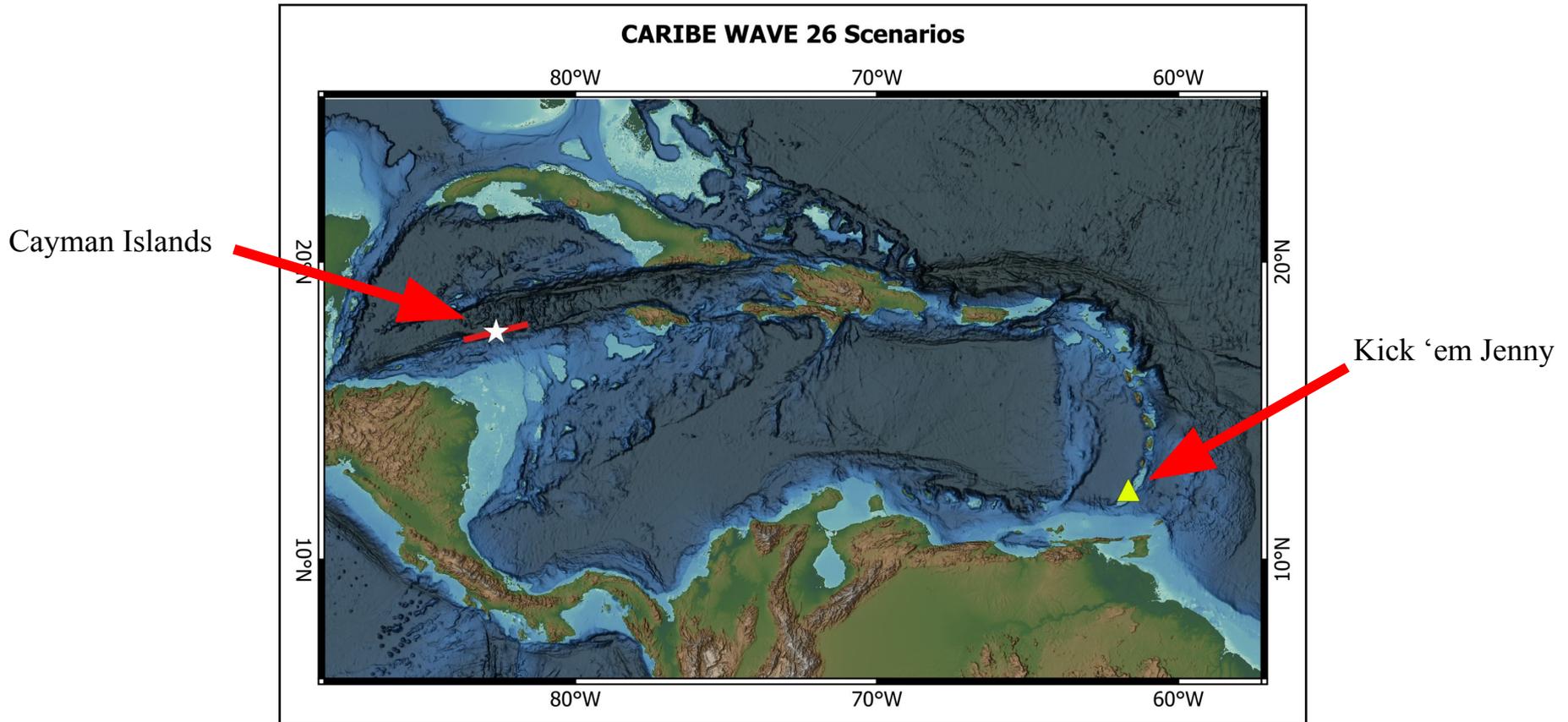
EXERCISE REGISTRATION AND SCENARIO SELECTION

- Scenario Selection (Due March 6th, 2026)

- Reports
- General Guidelines
- Handbook

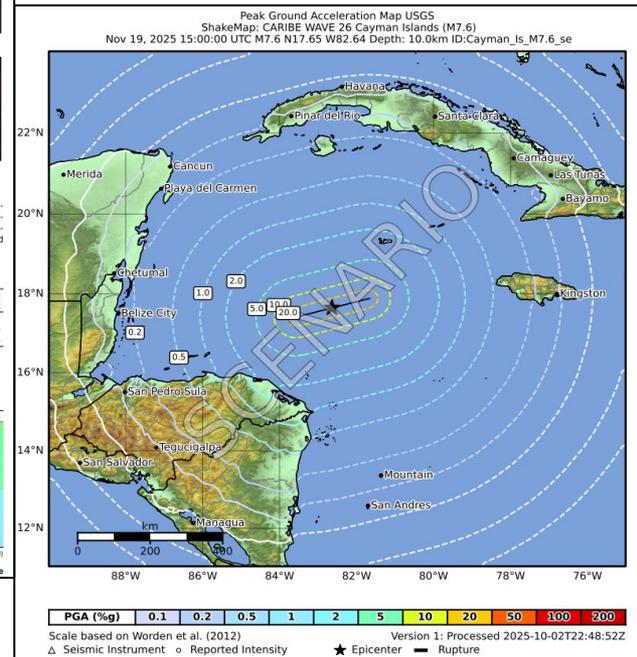
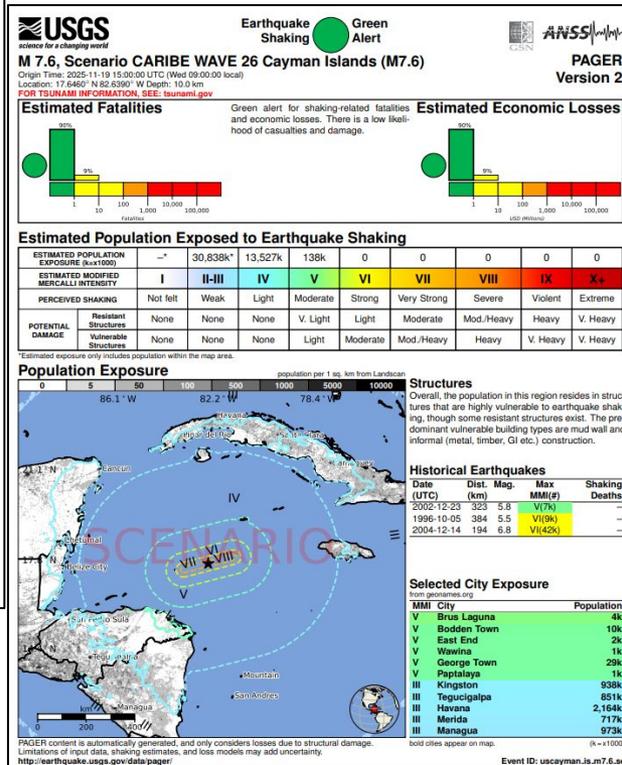
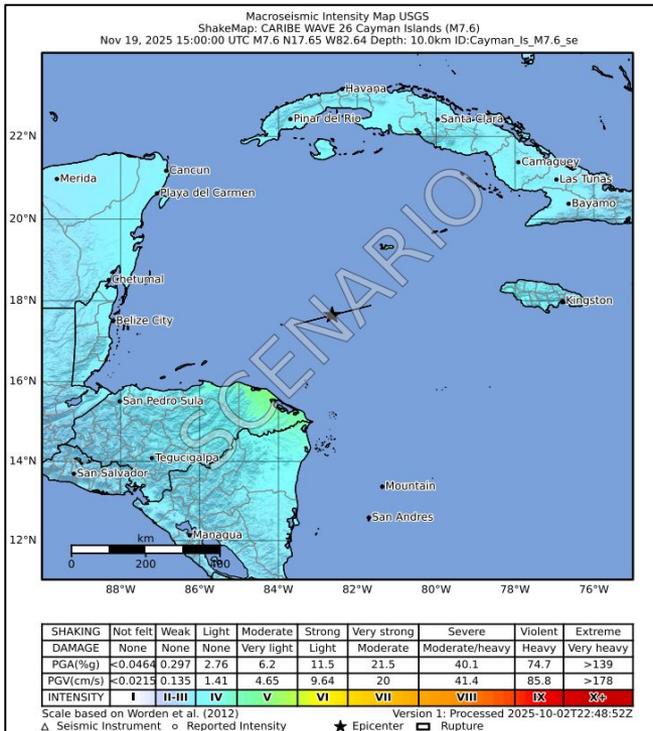
# CARIBE WAVE 26

## Tsunami Scenarios



Scenario	Origin Time	Mw	Epicenter
Cayman Islands	15:00:00 UTC	7.6	17.646°N, 82.6285°W
Kick 'em Jenny	19 March 2026	-	36.0°N, 10.7°W

# Earthquake Impact Scenario - Cayman Islands



**Note: For the Kick ‘em Jenny scenario, it is a non-seismic event therefore there is no ShakeMaps or Pager**

# Videos on PTWC Products for the CARIBE-EWS



UNESCO IOC / NOAA  
International Tsunami Information Center  
Tsunami Training Video, September 2021

## Pacific Tsunami Warning Center (PTWC) Graphical Tsunami Forecast Products for the CARIBE-EWS

Dr. Charles “Chip” McCreery  
Director, PTWC



UNESCO IOC / NOAA  
International Tsunami Information Centre  
Tsunami Training Video, August 2022

## Pacific Tsunami Warning Center (PTWC) Product Staging from the earthquake, through data collection and analyses, to tsunami forecasting, and product generation and dissemination

Video link:

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/8956022>

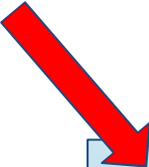
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Dr. Charles “Chip” McCreery  
Director, PTWC



# Products and Messages PTWC

- On **19 March 2026, at 1500 UTC**, the initial dummy message will be issued by the PTWC over all its standard broadcast channels for the two scenarios.
- As of **1505 and 1510 UTC**, PTWC emails will be sent to the designated CARIBE-EWS TWFP and NTWC with the threat messages for each of the scenarios as well as all the simulated enhanced products for the Cayman Islands Scenario.
  - By **6 March 2026**, each Member State is requested to select the scenario their country will use for the exercise by completing the following survey  
[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CW26\\_ScenarioSelection](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CW26_ScenarioSelection)
  - If the Member State does not inform the PTWC and ITIC-CAR, the organizers will decide for which scenario the PTWC will send the products.



\* 5. Scenario Selection (example)

Cayman Islands Scenario

Kick 'em Jenny Scenario

# PTWC PRODUCTS

## Appendix IV. TWC Dummy (Start of Exercise) Messages

PTWC ← **Center**

WECA41 PHEB 191500 ← **WMO ID**

TSUCAX ← **AWIPS ID**

TEST...INITIAL DUMMY START OF EXERCISE MESSAGE...TEST  
NWS PACIFIC TSUNAMI WARNING CENTER/NOAA/NWS  
ISSUED AT 1500Z 19 MAR 2026

...TEST... CARIBE WAVE 26 TSUNAMI EXERCISE DUMMY MESSAGE.  
REFER TO THE EXERCISE HANDBOOK. THIS IS AN EXERCISE ONLY. TEST...

THIS MESSAGE IS BEING USED TO START THE CARIBE WAVE 26  
TSUNAMI EXERCISE AND TEST COMMUNICATIONS WITH UNESCO IOC CARIBE  
EWS NTWCS AND TWFPS. THIS WILL BE THE ONLY EXERCISE MESSAGE  
BROADCAST FROM THE PACIFIC TSUNAMI WARNING CENTER EXCLUDING  
SPECIAL EMAIL MESSAGES DISCUSSED IN THE HANDBOOK. THE HANDBOOK  
IS AVAILABLE AT THE WEBSITE CARIBEWAVE.ORG. THE EXERCISE  
PURPOSE IS TO EXERCISE AND EVALUATE THE CARIBE EWS TSUNAMI  
WARNING SYSTEM.

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# Message Chronology issued by the PTWC Cayman Islands

Date	Time (UTC)	PTWC	
		Type of Product	Transmission Method
3/19/26	1500	---- Earthquake Occurs ----	
3/19/26	1500	Dummy	NWWS, GTS, EMWIN, AISR, Email
3/19/26	1505	Initial Tsunami Threat Message #1	Email
3/19/26	1515	Tsunami Threat Message #2	Email
3/19/26	1530	Tsunami Threat Message #3 with Forecast and Graphical Enhanced Products	Email
3/19/26	1600	Tsunami Threat Message #4	Email
3/19/26	1700	Tsunami Threat Message #5	Email
3/19/26	1715	Final Tsunami Threat Message #6	Email

**PTWC Message #1**

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WECA41 PHEB 191505 **WMO ID**  
TSUCAX **AWIPS ID**

TEST... Tsunami Message Number 1...TEST  
NWS Pacific Tsunami Warning Center Honolulu HI  
1505 UTC Thu Mar 19 2026

...THIS MESSAGE IS FOR TEST PURPOSES ONLY...  
...TEST TSUNAMI THREAT MESSAGE TEST...

\*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\*

This is a test message. This message is issued for information only in support of the UNESCO/IOC Tsunami and Other Coastal Hazards Warning System for the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions and is meant for national authorities in each country of that system.

This is a test message. National authorities will determine the appropriate level of alert for each country and may issue additional or more refined information.

\*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\*

TEST... PRELIMINARY EARTHQUAKE PARAMETERS ...TEST

- \* Magnitude 8.0
- \* Origin Time 1500 UTC Mar 19 2026
- \* Coordinates 17.6 North 82.6 West
- \* Depth 10 KM / 6 Miles
- \* Location North Of Honduras

TEST... EVALUATION ...TEST

\* This is a test message. An earthquake with a preliminary magnitude of 8.0 occurred north of Honduras at 1500 UTC on Thursday March 19 2026.

\* This is a test message. Based on the preliminary earthquake parameters... widespread hazardous tsunami waves are possible.

TEST... TSUNAMI THREAT FORECAST ...TEST

\* This is a test message. Hazardous tsunami waves from this earthquake are possible within the next three hours along some coasts of

ARUBA... BAHAMAS... BARBUDA... BELIZE... BONAIRE... BR VIRGIN IS... CAYMAN ISLANDS... COLOMBIA... COSTA RICA... CUBA... DOMINICAN REP... GUATEMALA... HAITI... HONDURAS... JAMAICA... MEXICO... PANAMA... PUERTO RICO... SABA... SAN ANDRES PROVID... TURKS N CAICOS and US VIRGIN IS

TEST... RECOMMENDED ACTIONS ...TEST

\* This is a test message. Government agencies responsible for threatened coastal areas should take action to inform and instruct any coastal populations at risk in accordance with their own evaluation... procedures and the level of threat.

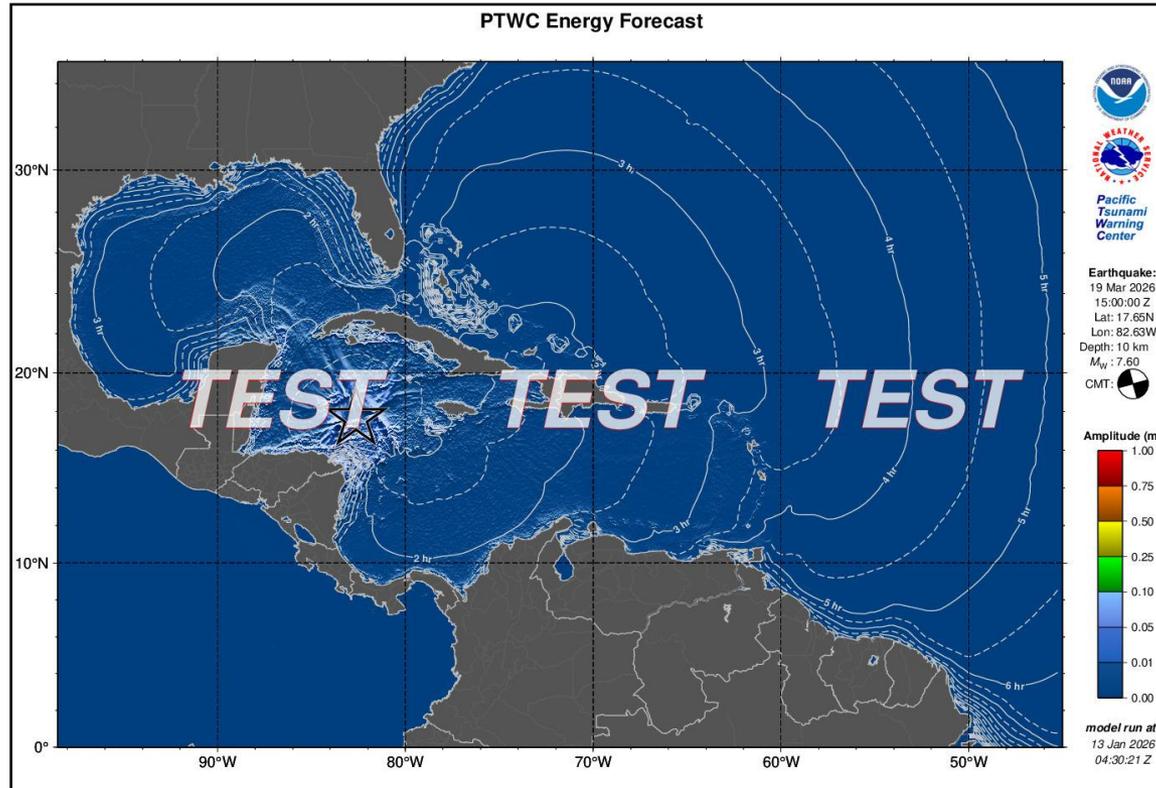
\* This is a test message. Persons located in threatened coastal areas should stay alert for information and follow instructions from national and local authorities.

TEST... ESTIMATED TIMES OF ARRIVAL ...TEST

\* This is a test message. Estimated times of arrival -ETA- of the initial tsunami wave for places within the region identified with a potential tsunami threat. Actual arrival times may differ and the initial wave may not be the largest. A tsunami is a series of waves and the time between waves can be five minutes to one hour.

LOCATION	COORDINATES	ETA(UTC)
CAYMAN ISLANDS		
Grand Cayman	19.3N 81.3W	1526 03/19
Cayman Brac	19.7N 79.9W	1530 03/19
CUBA		
Cienfuegos	22.0N 80.5W	1549 03/19
Santiago D Cuba	19.9N 75.8W	1556 03/19
Baracoa	20.4N 74.5W	1626 03/19
La Habana	23.2N 82.4W	1633 03/19
Gibara	21.1N 76.1W	1646 03/19
HONDURAS		
Puerto Cortes	15.9N 88.0W	1557 03/19
Trujillo	15.9N 86.0W	1643 03/19
MEXICO		
Cozumel	20.5N 87.0W	1558 03/19

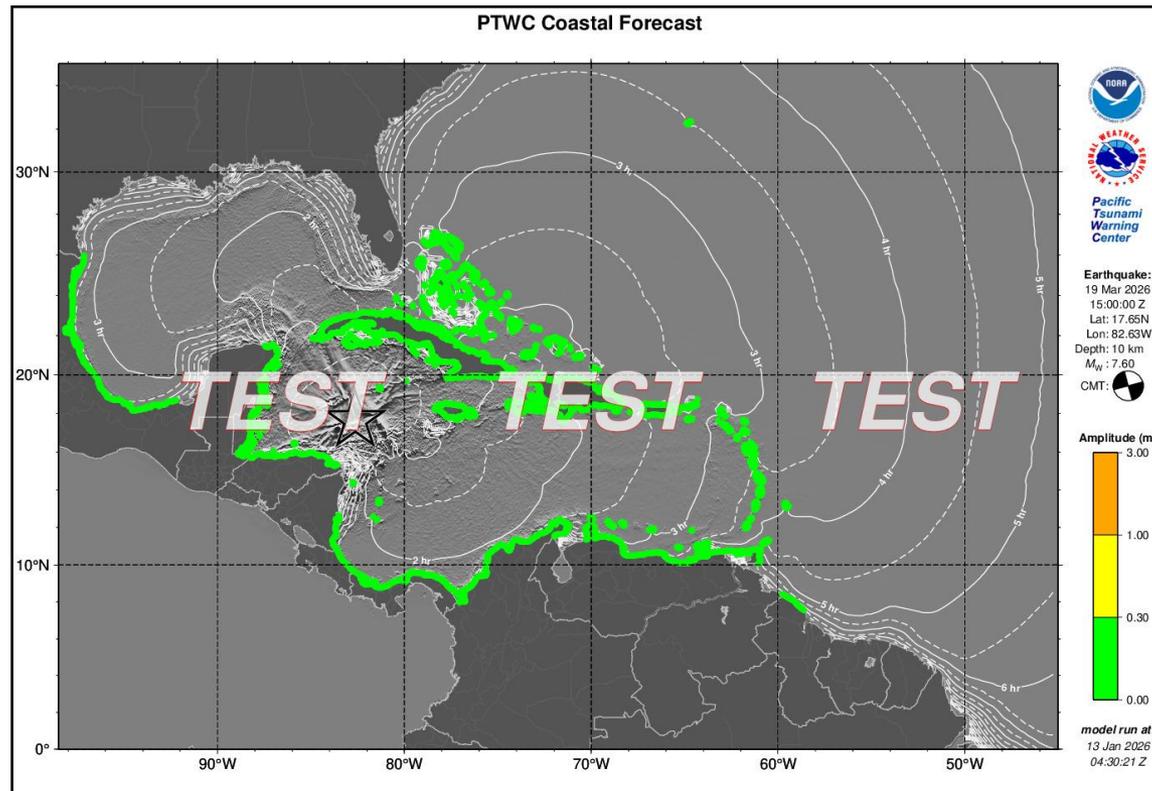
# Energy Forecast for Tsunami Wave Heights Cayman Islands



**RIFT maximum amplitude map based on the scenario for Cayman Islands.**

During a real event, this product will only be made available to officially designated Tsunami Warning Focal Points and National Tsunami Warning Centers.

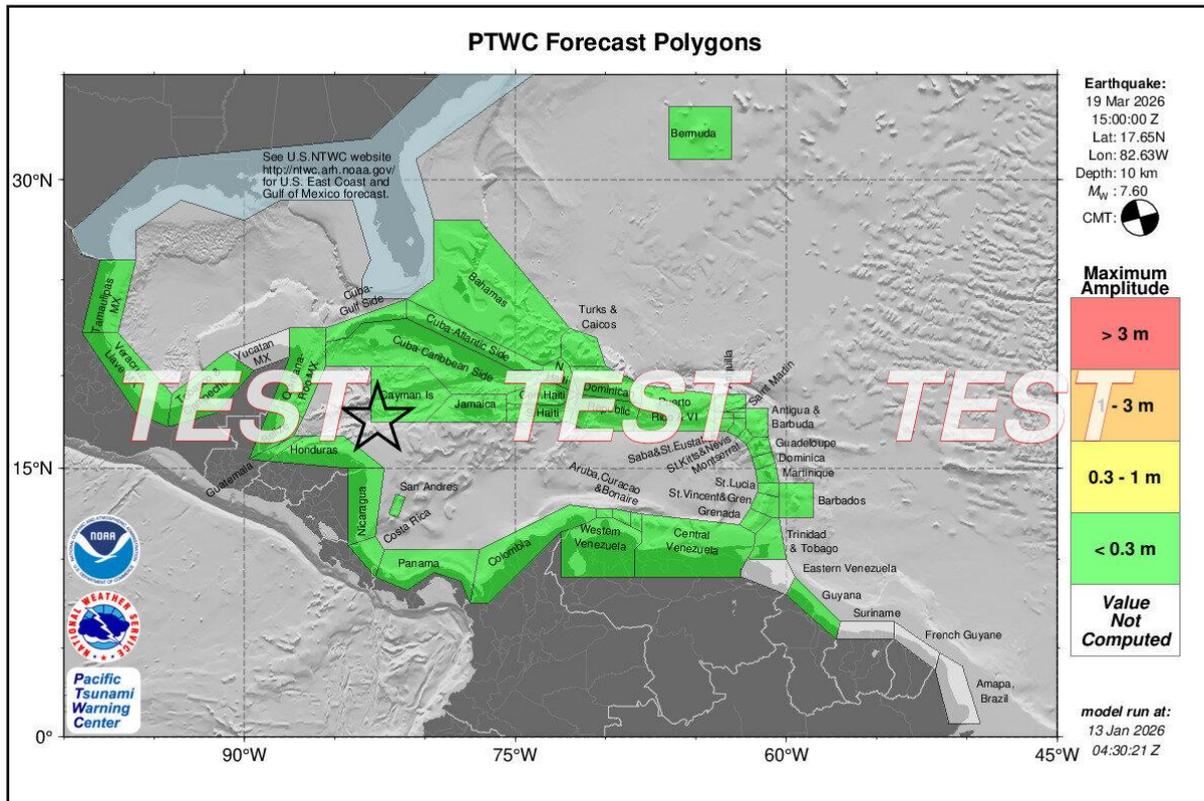
# Coastal Forecast for Tsunami Wave Heights Cayman Islands



**RIFT coastal tsunami amplitude map based on the scenario for Cayman Islands.**

During a real event, this product will only be made available to officially designated Tsunami Warning Focal Points and National Tsunami Warning Centers.

# Polygons Forecast for Tsunami Wave Heights Jamaica

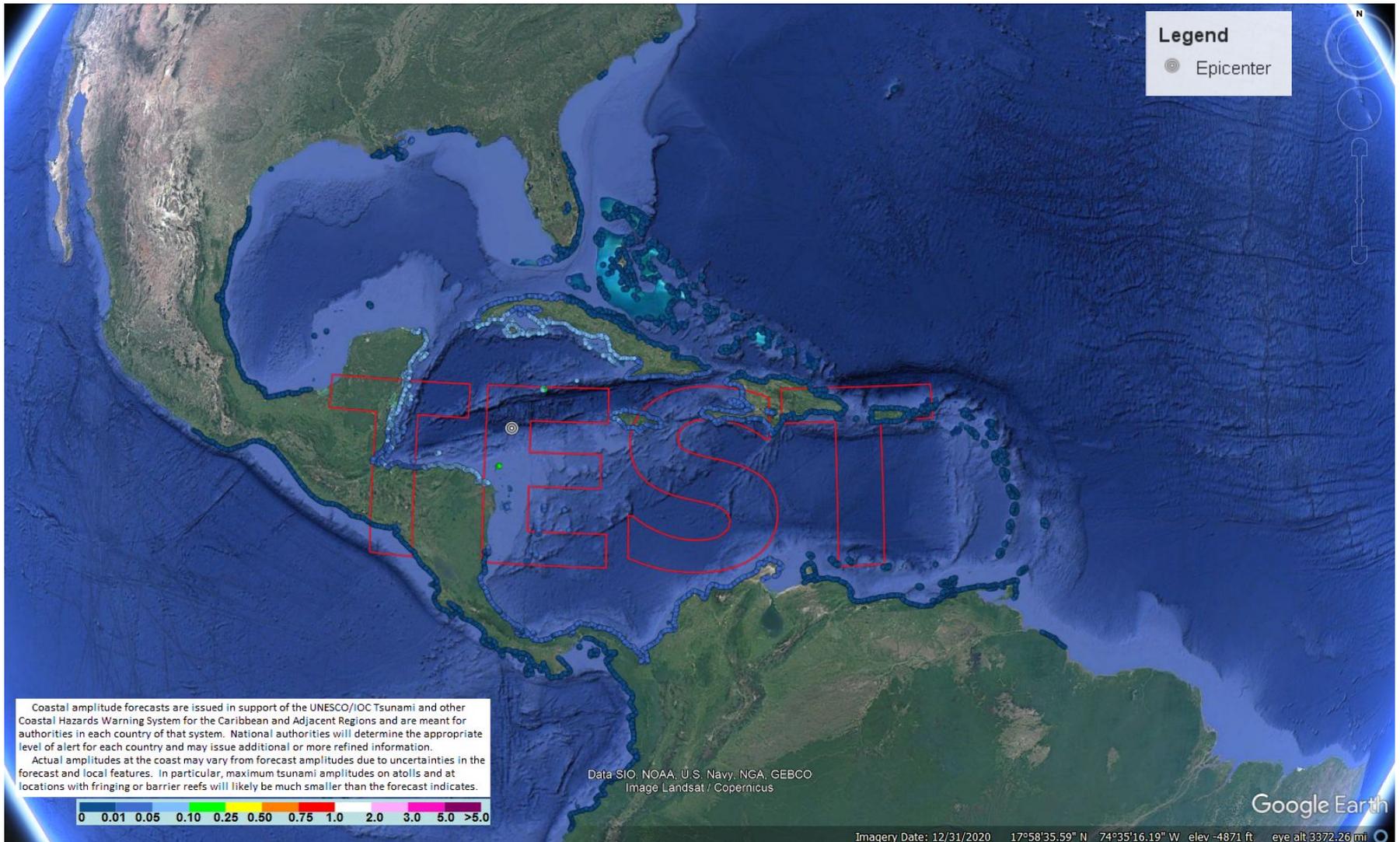


**RIFT forecast polygons for the Caribbean region on the Cayman Islands scenario.**

During a real event, this product will only be made available to officially designated Tsunami Warning Focal Points and National Tsunami Warning Centers.

# CW 26 KMZ

## Cayman Islands Scenario





**PTWC Message #6**

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WECA41 PHEB 191715  
TSUCAX

TEST...Tsunami Message Number 6...TEST  
NWS Pacific Tsunami Warning Center Honolulu HI  
1715 UTC Thu Mar 19 2026

...THIS MESSAGE IS FOR TEST PURPOSES ONLY...  
...TEST FINAL TSUNAMI THREAT MESSAGE TEST...

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\*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\*

TEST... PRELIMINARY EARTHQUAKE PARAMETERS ...TEST

\* Magnitude 7.6  
\* Origin Time 1500 UTC Mar 19 2026  
\* Coordinates 17.6 North 82.6 West  
\* Depth 10 KM / 6 Miles  
\* Location North Of Honduras

TEST... EVALUATION ...TEST

\* This is a test message. An earthquake with a preliminary magnitude of 7.6 occurred north of Honduras at 1500 UTC on Thursday March 19 2026.

\* This is a test message. Based on all available data... the tsunami threat from this earthquake has passed and there is no further threat.

TEST... TSUNAMI THREAT FORECAST ...TEST

\* This is a test message. The tsunami threat has now largely passed.

TEST... RECOMMENDED ACTIONS ...TEST

\* This is a test message. Government agencies responsible for any impacted coastal areas should monitor conditions at the coast to determine if and when it is safe to resume normal activities.

\* This is a test message. Persons located near impacted coastal areas should stay alert for information and follow instructions from local authorities.

\* This is a test message. Remain observant and exercise normal caution near the sea.

TEST... POTENTIAL IMPACTS ...TEST

\* This is a test message. Minor sea level fluctuations up to 30 cm above and below the normal tide may occur in coastal areas near the earthquake over the next few hours.... and continuing for up to several hours.

TEST... TSUNAMI OBSERVATIONS ...TEST

\* This is a test message. The following are tsunami wave observations from coastal and/or deep-ocean sea level gauges at the indicated locations. The maximum tsunami height is measured with respect to the normal tide level.

GAUGE LOCATION	COORDINATES		TIME UTC	TSUNAMI AMPLITUDE	MS PER TP	PER MIN
	LAT	LON				
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COLOMBIA						
San Andres	12.6N	81.7W	1701	0.02M/ 0.1FT	H	9
MEXICO						
Puerto Morelos	20.9N	86.9W	1603	0.11M/ 0.4FT	H	13

TIME UTC - Time of the reported observation

MS TP - Measurement Type

C is the maximum crest

T is the maximum trough

H is half maximum crest-to-trough

PER MIN - Tsunami wave period in minutes

# Message Chronology issued by the PTWC - Kick 'em Jenny

Date	Time (UTC)	PTWC	
		Type of Product	Transmission Method
3/19/26	1500	---- Eruption Occurs ----	
3/19/26	1500	Dummy	NWWS, GTS, EMWIN, AISR, Email
3/19/26	1510	Initial Tsunami Information Statement #1	Email
3/19/26	1545	Tsunami Threat Message #2	Email
3/19/26	1630	Tsunami Threat Message #3	Email
3/19/26	1730	Tsunami Threat Message #4	Email
3/19/26	1830	Final Tsunami Threat Message #5	Email

PTWC Message #1

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WECA43 PHEB 191510

← WMO ID

TIBCAX

← AWIPS ID

TEST...Tsunami Information Statement Number 1...TEST  
NWS Pacific Tsunami Warning Center Honolulu HI  
1510 UTC Thu Mar 19 2026

...THIS MESSAGE IS FOR TEST PURPOSES ONLY...

...TEST TSUNAMI INFORMATION STATEMENT TEST...

\*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\*

This is a test message. This message is issued for information only in support of the UNESCO/IOC Tsunami and Other Coastal Hazards Warning System for the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions and is meant for national authorities in each country of that system.

This is a test message. National authorities will determine the appropriate level of alert for each country and may issue additional or more refined information.

\*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\*

TEST... EVALUATION ...TEST

\* This is a test message. The University of the West Indies Seismic Research Centre has reported that a significant volcanic event occurred at Kick-em-Jenny Volcano in Grenada at around 1500 UTC on Thursday March 19 2026. Kick-em-Jenny Volcano is located at 12.30N and 61.63W.

\* This is a test message. It is not known whether hazardous tsunami waves were generated by this event. The Pacific Tsunami Warning Center is monitoring the nearest sea level gauges and will issue further information if tsunami waves are observed.

TEST... RECOMMENDED ACTIONS ...TEST

\* This is a test message. Government agencies responsible for responding to tsunami threats should be aware of this volcanic activity and be prepared to act if tsunami waves are observed that threaten their coasts.

\* This is a test message. Persons located in nearby coastal areas should stay alert for information and follow instructions from their national and local authorities.

TEST... NEXT UPDATE AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ...TEST

\* This is a test message. The next message will be issued in one hour... or sooner if the situation warrants.

\* This is a test message. Authoritative information about Kick Em Jenny Volcano from the University of the West Indies Seismic Research Centre - UWI-SRC - can be found on the internet at [uwiseismic.com](http://uwiseismic.com).

\* This is a test message. Coastal regions of the US Gulf Coast... US East Coast... and the Maritime Provinces of Canada should refer to U.S. National Tsunami Warning Center messages that can be found at [www.tsunami.gov](http://www.tsunami.gov).

THIS IS A TEST MESSAGE. DO NOT TAKE ACTION BASED ON THIS TEST MESSAGE.

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**PTWC Message #5**

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WECA41 PHEB 191830  
TSUCAX

WMO ID

AWIPS ID

TEST...Tsunami Message Number 5...TEST  
NWS Pacific Tsunami Warning Center Honolulu HI  
1830 UTC Thu Mar 19 2026

...THIS MESSAGE IS FOR TEST PURPOSES ONLY...

...TEST FINAL TSUNAMI THREAT MESSAGE TEST...

\*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\*

This is a test message. This message is issued for information only in support of the UNESCO/IOC Tsunami and Other Coastal Hazards Warning System for the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions and is meant for national authorities in each country of that system.

This is a test message. National authorities will determine the appropriate level of alert for each country and may issue additional or more refined information.

\*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\*

TEST... EVALUATION ...TEST

\* This is a test message. Volcanic activity associated with the Kick-em-Jenny Volcano in Grenada occurred around 1500 UTC on Thursday March 19 2026. Kick-em-Jenny Volcano is located at 12.30N and 61.63W.

\* This is a test message. Based on all available data... the tsunami threat from this volcanic event has now passed and there is no further tsunami threat.

\* This is a test message. However... because volcanic activity may occur in multiple phases the Pacific Tsunami Warning Center will continue to stay in contact with the University of the West Indies Seismic Research Centre about future Kick-em-Jenny Volcano activity and will continue monitor nearby sea level gauges in case of any subsequent tsunami threats.

TEST... TSUNAMI THREAT FORECAST...UPDATED ...TEST

\* This is a test message. The tsunami threat has now largely passed.

TEST... RECOMMENDED ACTIONS ...TEST

\* This is a test message. Government agencies responsible for any impacted coastal areas should monitor conditions at the coast to determine if and when it is safe to resume normal activities.

\* This is a test message. Persons located near impacted coastal areas should stay alert for information and follow instructions from local authorities.

\* This is a test message. Remain observant and exercise normal caution near the sea.

TEST... POTENTIAL IMPACTS ...TEST

\* This is a test message. Minor sea level fluctuations above and below the normal tide may continue over the next few hours.

TEST... TSUNAMI OBSERVATIONS ...TEST

\* This is a test message. The following are tsunami wave observations from coastal and/or deep-ocean sea level gauges at the indicated locations. The maximum tsunami height is measured with respect to the normal tide level.

GAUGE LOCATION	COORDINATES LAT LON	TIME UTC	TSUNAMI AMPLITUDE	MS PER TP	MIN
DOMINICAN_REPUBLIC					
Port San Andres	18.4N 69.6W	1719	0.37M/ 1.2FT	H	11
Punta Cana	18.5N 68.4W	1652	0.41M/ 1.3FT	H	11
USA-VIRGIN_ISLANDS					
Charlotte-amalie	18.3N 64.9W	1707	0.08M/ 0.3FT	H	12
Lameshurbay	18.3N 64.7W	1705	0.21M/ 0.7FT	H	7
Limetree	17.7N 64.8W	1622	0.19M/ 0.6FT	H	8
St Croix	17.7N 64.7W	1627	0.14M/ 0.4FT	H	11
USA-PUERTO_RICO					
Arecibo	18.5N 66.7W	1711	0.05M/ 0.2FT	H	9
Salinas	17.9N 66.2W	1658	0.15M/ 0.5FT	H	11
Aguadilla	18.5N 67.2W	1658	0.21M/ 0.7FT	H	13
Mayaguez	18.2N 67.2W	1649	0.10M/ 0.3FT	H	13
Mona Island	18.1N 67.9W	1646	0.44M/ 1.5FT	H	12
Esperanza Vieques	18.1N 65.5W	1633	0.70M/ 2.3FT	H	7
Guayanilla	18.0N 66.8W	1633	0.39M/ 1.3FT	H	14
Yabucoa	18.1N 65.8W	1630	0.34M/ 1.1FT	H	14
CURACAO					
Bullen Bay	12.2N 69.0W	1638	0.18M/ 0.6FT	H	13
ANGUILLA					
Road Bay	18.2N 63.1W	1700	0.10M/ 0.3FT	H	12
GRENADA					
Prickley Bay	12.0N 61.8W	1530	1.05M/ 3.4FT	H	12
TRINIDAD_AND_TOBAGO					
Port Of Spain	10.6N 61.5W	1654	0.04M/ 0.1FT	H	8
DART-DEEP_OCEAN_GAUGES					
Caribbean 42407	15.3N 68.2W	1622	0.06M/ 0.2FT	H	14
MONTSERRAT					
Little Bay	16.8N 62.2W	1611	0.49M/ 1.6FT	H	8
GUADELOUPE					
Point A Pitre	16.2N 61.5W	1607	0.07M/ 0.2FT	H	9
Deshaies	16.3N 61.8W	1559	0.62M/ 2.0FT	H	10

# Messages SRC

- The Seismic Research Center (SRC) is the corresponding volcano observatory responsible for monitoring this volcano and informing the TSP on any changes in activity for tsunami warning decision making.
- For the exercise, the SRC issues the **Volcano Observatory Notice for tsUnami Threat (VONUT)** text message which informs on any change in volcano alert levels or significant changes on volcanic eruptions and volcano flank destabilization.
- The simulated messages prepared by the SRC are provided **only for the PTWC, CATAC, and ICG-CARIBE EWS officers and institutions**. Based on these products, the PTWC issues corresponding messages.

# Message Chronology sent by SRC to PTWC

## Kick 'em Jenny

Date	Time (UTC)	SRC	
		Type of Product	Transmission Method
3/19/26	1130	VONUT Message #1	Email
3/19/26	1430	VONUT Message #2	Email
3/19/26	1500	- - - - Eruption Occurs - - - -	
3/19/26	1500	VONUT Message #3	Email

**VONUT Message #1**

TEST...VONUT NUMBER 1...TEST

...THIS MESSAGE IS FOR THE CARIBEWAVE26 EXERCISE ONLY...

TEST...VOLCANO OBSERVATORY NOTICE FOR TSUNAMI THREAT

...TEST

TEST...VONUT...TEST

(2) TEST... Issued: 20260319/1130Z

(3) TEST... Volcano: Kick'em Jenny 360160

(4) TEST... Current Aviation Colour Code: Orange

(5) TEST... Previous Aviation Colour Code: Yellow

(6) TEST... Source: SRC

(7) TEST... Notice Number: 2026-01

(8) TEST... Volcano Location: 1218N 6138W

(9) TEST... Area: Offshore north Grenada, Lesser Antilles

(10) TEST... Summit Elevation: -607 FT (-185 M)

(11) TEST... Volcanic Activity Summary:

Increase in seismicity, including tremor and several M>3 earthquakes at shallow depths, over the past 6 hours

(12) TEST... Sea sector of the impact (North, South, East, West)

Most probably western flanks of Kick'em Jenny

(13) TEST... Name of the sea (Caribbean, Atlantic, Dominique Channel)

Caribbean Sea

(14) TEST... Closest tide gauges

bcon: <https://www.ioc-sealevelmonitoring.org/station.php?code=bcon>

brid2: <https://www.ioc-sealevelmonitoring.org/station.php?code=brid2>

ffr2: <https://www.ioc-sealevelmonitoring.org/station.php?code=ffr2>

(15) TEST... Remarks:

The possibility of submarine eruption with or without destabilisation of the volcano's western flank is high within the next few hours.

(16) TEST... Contacts:

Dr. Erouscilla Joseph

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Email: [erouscilla.joseph@uwi.edu](mailto:erouscilla.joseph@uwi.edu)

(17) TEST... Next Notice:

A new VONUT will be issued if conditions change significantly. Volcanic information can be found at: <https://uwiseismic.com/volcanoes/kick-em-jenny/>

THIS IS A TEST MESSAGE. DO NOT TAKE ACTION BASED ON THIS TEST MESSAGE.

## VONUT Message #2

TEST...VONUT NUMBER 2...TEST

...THIS MESSAGE IS FOR THE CARIBEWAVE26 EXERCISE ONLY...  
TEST...VOLCANO OBSERVATORY NOTICE FOR TSUNAMI THREAT  
...TEST  
TEST...VONUT...TEST

(1) TEST... VOLCANO OBSERVATORY NOTICE FOR TSUNAMI  
THREAT - VONUT

(2) TEST... Issued: 20260319/1430Z

(3) TEST... Volcano: Kick'en Jenny 360160

(4) TEST... Current Aviation Colour Code: Red

(5) TEST... Previous Aviation Colour Code : Orange

(6) TEST... Source: SRC

(7) TEST... Notice Number: 2026-02

(8) TEST... Volcano Location: 1218N 6138W

(9) TEST... Area: Offshore north Grenada, Lesser Antilles

(10) TEST... Summit Elevation: -607 FT (-185 M)

(11) TEST... Volcanic Activity Summary:  
Highly elevated levels of shallow VT seismicity (M 3.5 – 3.8) with  
increased banded tremor and LP events observed in the last 30 minutes

(12) TEST... Sea sector of the impact (North, South, East, West)  
Most probably the western flanks of Kick'em Jenny

(13) TEST... Name of the sea (Caribbean, Atlantic, Dominique Channel)  
Caribbean Sea

(14) TEST... Closest tide gauges

bcon: <https://www.ioc-sealevelmonitoring.org/station.php?code=bcon>

brid2: <https://www.ioc-sealevelmonitoring.org/station.php?code=brid2>

ffr2: <https://www.ioc-sealevelmonitoring.org/station.php?code=ffr2>

(15) TEST... Remarks:

Activity could transition to an underwater explosion with or without  
destabilisation of the  
volcano's western flank with no further warning

(16) TEST... Contacts:

Dr. Erouscilla Joseph

tel: + 1 868 763 7203

Email: [erouscilla.joseph@uwi.edu](mailto:erouscilla.joseph@uwi.edu):

(17) TEST... Next Notice:

A new VONUT will be issued if conditions change significantly. Volcanic  
information can be

found at:

<https://uwiseismic.com/volcanoes/kick-em-jenny/>

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MESSAGE.

**VONUT Message #3**

TEST...VONUT NUMBER 3...TEST

...THIS MESSAGE IS FOR THE CARIBEWAVE26 EXERCISE ONLY...  
TEST...VOLCANO OBSERVATORY NOTICE FOR TSUNAMI THREAT  
...TEST  
TEST...VONUT...TEST

(1) TEST... VOLCANO OBSERVATORY NOTICE FOR TSUNAMI  
THREAT - VONUT

(2) TEST... Issued: 20260319/1500Z

(3) TEST... Volcano: Kick'en Jenny 360160

(4) TEST... Current Aviation Colour Code: Red

(5) TEST... Previous Aviation Colour Code : Red

(6) TEST... Source: SRC

(7) TEST... Notice Number: 2026-03

(8) TEST... Volcano Location: 1218N 6138W

(9) TEST... Area: Offshore north Grenada, Lesser Antilles

(10) TEST... Summit Elevation: -607 FT (-185 M)

(11) TEST... Volcanic Activity Summary:  
Highly elevated levels of shallow VT seismicity (M 3.5 – 3.8) with T-phase  
signal observed at 1500Z

(12) TEST... Sea sector of the impact (North, South, East, West)  
Most probably the western flanks of Kick'em Jenny

(13) TEST... Name of the sea (Caribbean, Atlantic, Dominique Channel)  
Caribbean Sea

(14) TEST... Closest tide gauges

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brid2: <https://www.ioc-sealevelmonitoring.org/station.php?code=brid2>

ftfr2: <https://www.ioc-sealevelmonitoring.org/station.php?code=ftfr2>

(15) TEST... Remarks:

An underwater explosion with or without destabilisation of the volcano's  
western flank has occurred at KeJ

(16) TEST... Contacts:

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Email: [erouscilla.joseph@uwi.edu](mailto:erouscilla.joseph@uwi.edu):

(17) TEST... Next Notice:

A new VONUT will be issued if conditions change significantly. Volcanic  
information can be

found at:

<https://uwiseismic.com/volcanoes/kick-em-jenny/>

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# Central American Tsunami Advisory Center CATAC



Participation at CW 2026 – tsunami products for the Central American countries

## 1. Text messages in Spanish

- Similar Format as PTWC
- Use of local times:
  - 1) Central America; 2) Panama

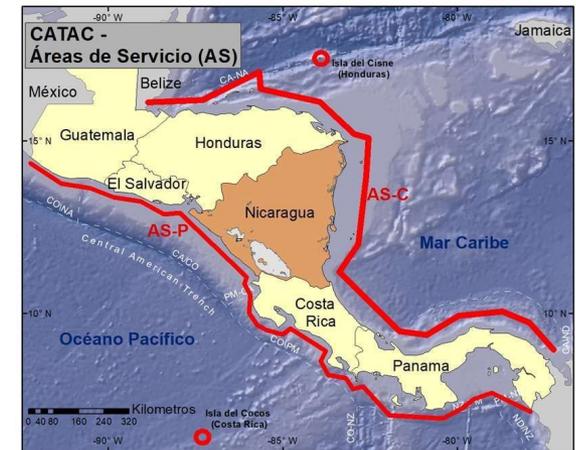
## 2. Text messages in English

- PTWC format
- Use of UT

## 3. Graphic products (SeisComP TOAST)

- Prediction of amplitudes at Sea Gauges
- Amplitudes at coastal zones

## 4. Tsunami propagation movie (MPG3)



CATAC – Areas of responsibility



CATAC – Areas of monitoring

# Message Chronology issued by the CATAC Cayman Islands

Date	Time (UTC)	CATAC	
		Type of Product	Transmission Method
3/19/26	1500	---- Earthquake Occurs ----	
3/19/26	1500	Dummy Message	Email, Whatsapp, and telegram
3/19/26	1503	Initial Tsunami Threat Message #1	Email, Whatsapp, and telegram
3/19/26	1509	Tsunami Threat Message # 2	Email, Whatsapp, and telegram
3/19/26	1530	Tsunami Threat Message #3 Graphical Products	Email, Whatsapp, and telegram
3/19/26	1600	Tsunami Threat Message #4	Email, Whatsapp, and telegram
3/19/26	1700	Final Tsunami Threat Message #5	Email, Whatsapp, and telegram

# CATAC - Dummy Message Spanish

## **Mensaje Dummy:**

¡Este es sólo un mensaje de prueba enviado por CATAC en apoyo al Ejercicio CaribeWave 26!

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Centro de Asesoramiento de Tsunami para América Centra (CATAC)

XXXXXXXX ESTE ES UN EJERCICIO XXXXXXXXXXXX ESTE ES UN EJERCICIO XXXXXXXXXXXX

Aviso: Este es un mensaje de inicio del ejercicio Caribe Wave 2026, para los países de América Central, como apoyo a la Comisión Oceanográfica Intergubernamental (COI), de la UNESCO y al ICG/CARIBE-EWS.

Emisión: 2026-03-19 09:00 Hora de Centroamérica  
2026-03-19 10:00 Hora de Panamá  
2026-03-19 15:00 Hora (UTC)

Este mensaje se está utilizando para iniciar el ejercicio de tsunami Caribe Wave 2026, con origen en la Región de Islas Caimán.

Los mensajes de este ejercicio están disponibles en el sitio web <https://catac.ineter.gob.ni/>

El propósito del ejercicio es proporcionar asesoría a la gestión de emergencias.

Es un escenario para poner a prueba los planes de respuesta ante tsunamis en los países de América Central

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# CATAC - Dummy Message English

## Dummy Message:

!This is just a test message sent by CATAC in support of Exercise  
CaribeWave 26!

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Central America Tsunami Advisory Center (CATAC)

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Notice: This message is published for information purposes only in  
support of Central American countries. National authorities  
are responsible for determining the level of alert and for  
taking appropriate measures for their country.

Issued : 2026-03-19 09:00 Central American Time  
2026-03-19 10:00 Panama Time  
2026-03-19 15:00 Time (UTC)

This message is being used to initiate the Caribe Wave 2026 tsunami  
exercise, originating near Cayman Islands.

The exercise messages are available on the web site  
<https://catac.ineter.gob.ni/>.

The purpose of the exercise is to provide emergency management advice.

It is a scenario to test tsunami response plans in the Central American  
countries.

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# CATAC - Message 1

## English

### CATAC Message #1:

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Central America Tsunami Advisory Center (CATAC)

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taking appropriate measures for their country.

Tsunami Bulletin N° 01

Issued: 2026-03-19 09:03 Central American Time  
2026-03-19 10:03 Panama Time  
2026-03-19 15:03 (UTC) Time

An earthquake has occurred with the following these preliminary parameters:

Magnitude : 8.0  
Date : 19/03/2026  
Time : 09:00 Central American Time, 10:00 Panama Time, 15:00  
UTC Time  
Latitude : 17.646 N  
Longitude : 82.629 W  
Depth : 10 Km  
Location : Cayman Islands

Assessment:

There is a high possibility of tsunami considering the magnitude, depth of  
the hypocenter,  
and the location of the earthquake.

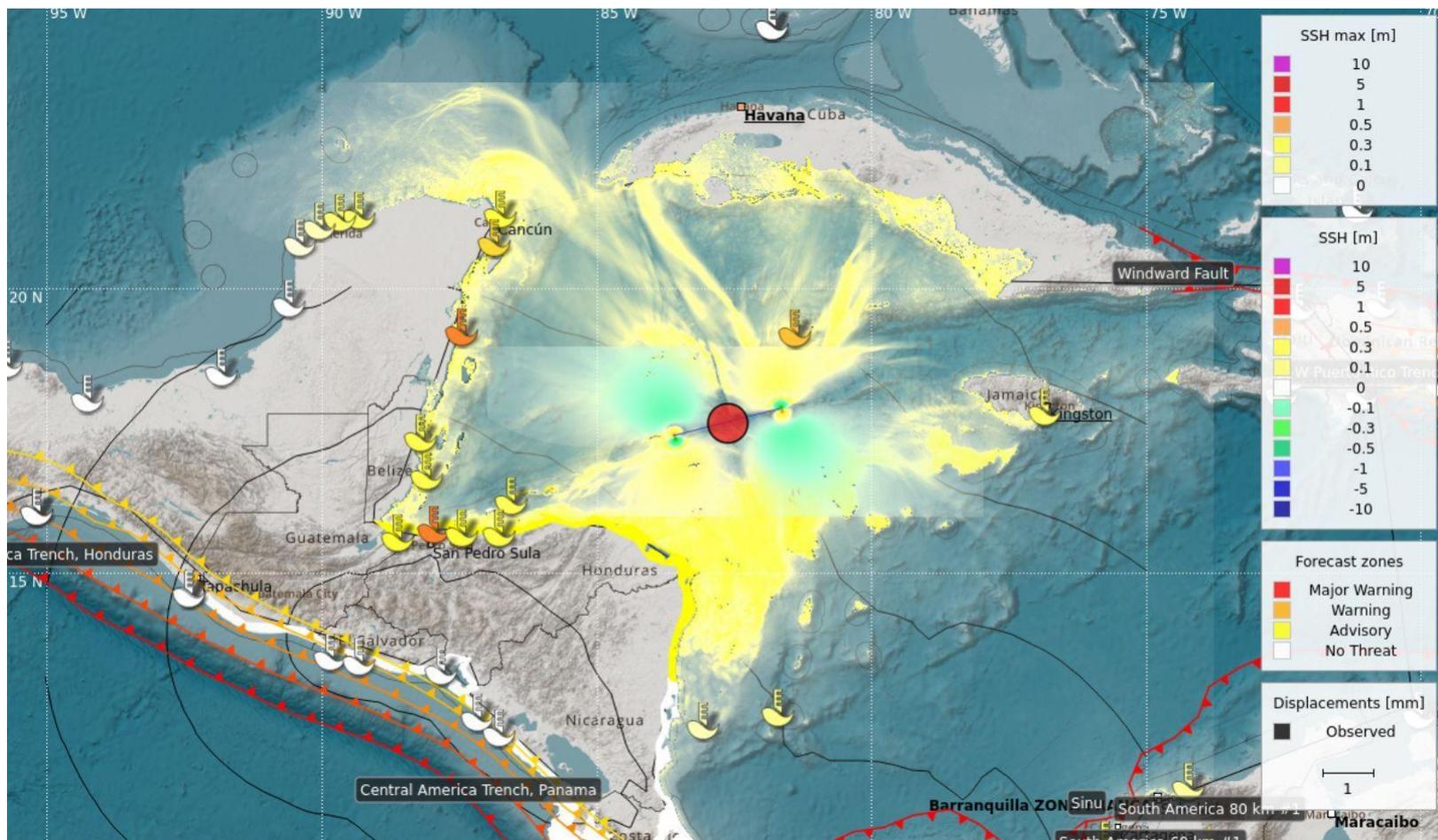
Recommended Actions:

Immediate actions are urgently needed for the protection of the population  
on the Caribbean coasts of Central America.  
More information will be provided in the next few minutes.

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# CATAC - Graphical Products Produced with SeisComp-Toast



Tsunami Heights and forecast zones for the Cayman Islands scenario.





# CATAC - Message 5 - Final English

## CATAC Message #5:

!This is just a test message sent by CATAC in support of Exercise CaribeWave 26!  
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Central America Tsunami Advisory Center (CATAC)

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Notice: This message is published for information purposes only in support of Central American countries. National authorities are responsible for determining the level of alert and for taking appropriate measures for their country.

Tsunami Bulletin N° 05

Issued: 2026-03-19 11:00 Central American Time  
2026-03-19 12:00 Panama Time  
2026-03-19 17:00 (UTC) Time

An earthquake has occurred with the following parameters:

Magnitude : 7.6  
Date : 19/03/2026  
Time : 09:00 Central American Time, 10:00 Panama Time, 15:00 UTC Time  
Latitude : 17.646 N  
Longitude : 82.629 W  
Depth : 10 Km  
Location : Cayman Islands

Sea level station measurements obtained:

Code	Coordinates(°)	Country	ETA (Local Time)	AM(m)
VZ.PCOR	15.84N 87.96W	Honduras	2026-03-19 17:38:45	0.57
VZ.GEOR	19.30N 81.38W	Cayman Islands	2026-03-19 15:50:15	0.42
VZ.BDIO	9.35N 82.26W	Panama	2026-03-19 22:34:45	0.29
VZ.PRBA	15.69N 88.62W	Guatemala	2026-03-19 19:56:45	0.29
VZ.TELA	15.78N 87.45W	Honduras	2026-03-19 20:58:00	0.27
VZ.CEIB	15.79N 86.76W	Honduras	2026-03-19 20:57:00	0.22
VZ.CABC	16.80N 88.08W	Belize	2026-03-19 21:07:30	0.20
VZ.POBE	17.47N 88.20W	Belize	2026-03-19 18:37:30	0.19
VZ.RTAS	16.35N 86.54W	Honduras	2026-03-19 22:05:45	0.16
VZ.PTRO	17.93N 76.85W	Jamaica	2026-03-19 20:30:00	0.10
VZ.ELPO	9.56N 78.95W	Panamá	2026-03-19 20:38:30	0.10
VZ.COIS	12.33N 83.07W	Nicaragua	2026-03-19 22:32:15	0.05
VZ.LIMON	9.99N 83.02W	Costa Rica	2026-03-19 21:12:45	0.03

Assessment:

According to our simulations, higher amplitudes could occur in the next few hours.

the national authorities of the different countries should make the appropriate decisions, according to their response plans.

PTWC messages:

Countries may additionally receive messages from the Pacific Tsunami Warning Center (PTWC).  
In case of differences between CATAC and PTWC results, we recommend preferring conservatively, the estimates that correspond to a higher hazard.

Additional information:

This will be the last message issued by CATAC about this event.

Detailed earthquake and tsunami information can be found at the website.  
<https://catac.ineter.gob.ni>

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**Register for the First Time**

**Renew or Update Registration**

**Other Situations**  
(Change contact, multiple locations, etc.)

Issues with registration? Please e-mail [info@tsunamizone.org](mailto:info@tsunamizone.org).

**Benefits of Registration:**

- Be **counted** as a participant on the TsunamiZone website!
- Be **listed** with other participants in your area (Optional)
- Be an **example** that motivates others to participate & prepare
- Be **updated** with TsunamiZone news and preparedness tips
- Have **peace of mind** that you, your family, your co-workers and millions of others will be **better prepared to survive and recover quickly** when a tsunami occurs.

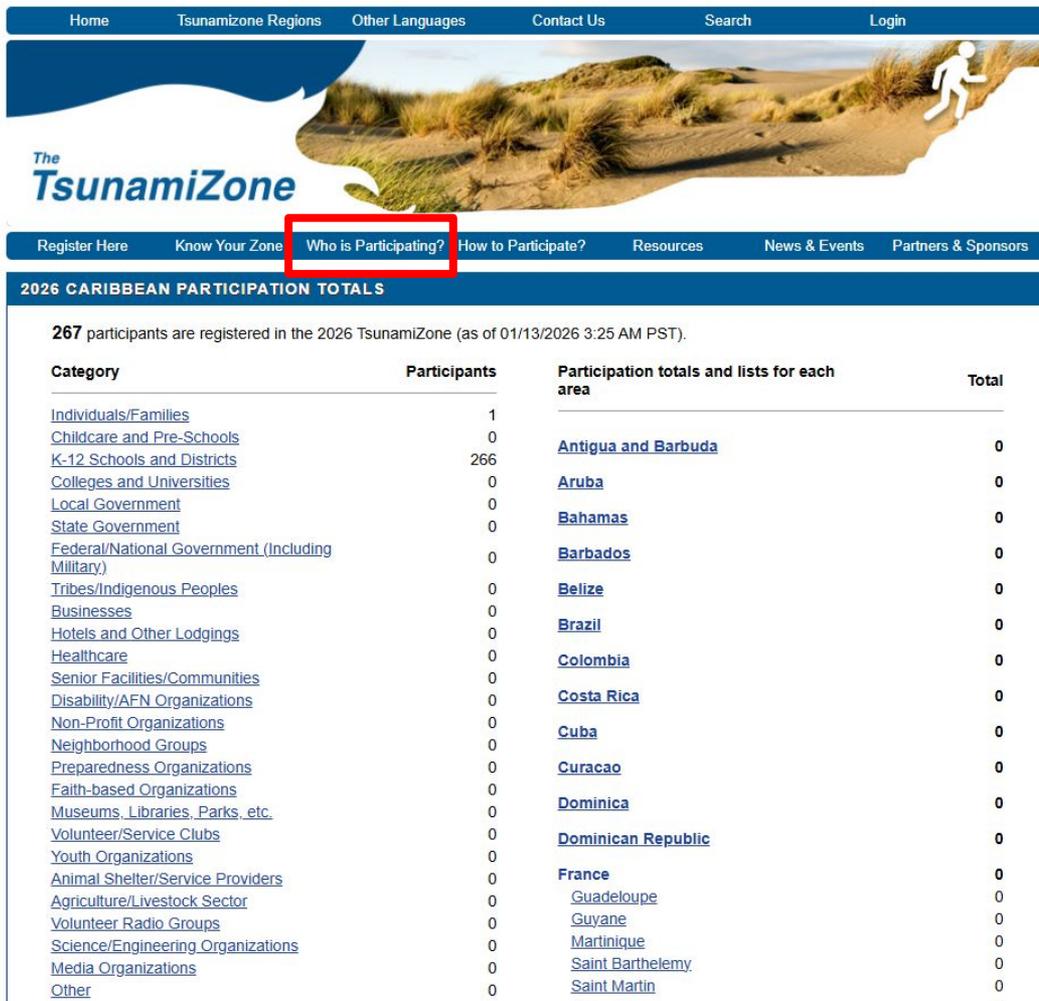
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\*\*\* Note: This is to register your participation. It is different from the scenario selection \*\*\*

TWFP and NTWC should register on TsunamiZone to be part of the statistical count. Independent of registering, they will receive the simulated bulletins from PTWC.

TsunamiZone registration is used to track the number of people and organizations participating in the exercise.



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### 2026 CARIBBEAN PARTICIPATION TOTALS

267 participants are registered in the 2026 TsunamiZone (as of 01/13/2026 3:25 AM PST).

Category	Participants	Participation totals and lists for each area	Total
<a href="#">Individuals/Families</a>	1		
<a href="#">Childcare and Pre-Schools</a>	0		
<a href="#">K-12 Schools and Districts</a>	266	<a href="#">Antigua and Barbuda</a>	0
<a href="#">Colleges and Universities</a>	0	<a href="#">Aruba</a>	0
<a href="#">Local Government</a>	0	<a href="#">Bahamas</a>	0
<a href="#">State Government</a>	0	<a href="#">Barbados</a>	0
<a href="#">Federal/National Government (Including Military)</a>	0	<a href="#">Belize</a>	0
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<a href="#">Faith-based Organizations</a>	0	<a href="#">Guyane</a>	0
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<a href="#">Volunteer/Service Clubs</a>	0	<a href="#">Saint Barthelemy</a>	0
<a href="#">Youth Organizations</a>	0	<a href="#">Saint Martin</a>	0
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<a href="#">Agriculture/Livestock Sector</a>	0		
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<a href="#">Media Organizations</a>	0		
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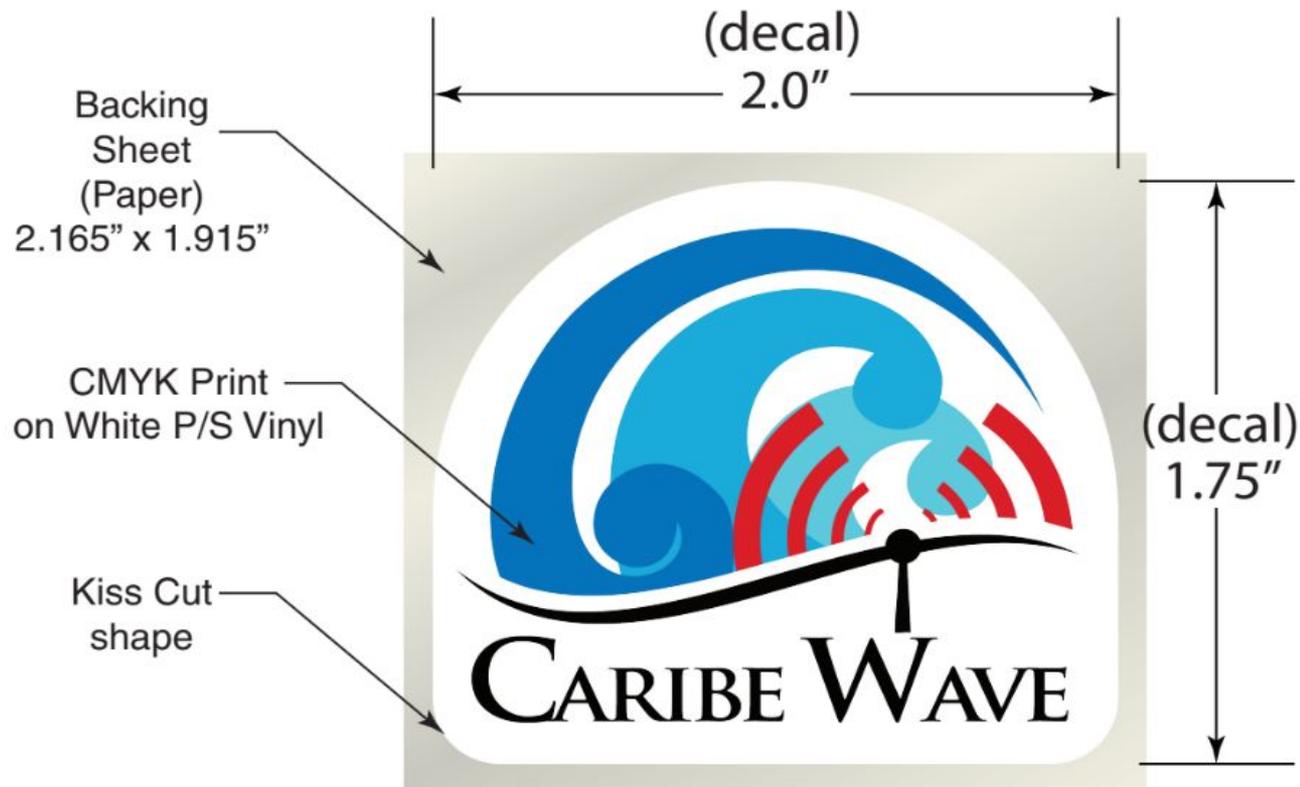
\*\*\* Please note that the official numbers of participation come from the evaluation surveys submitted by member states, and if not provided by the country, the numbers from TsunamiZone are used.\*\*\*

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# CARIBE WAVE Stickers

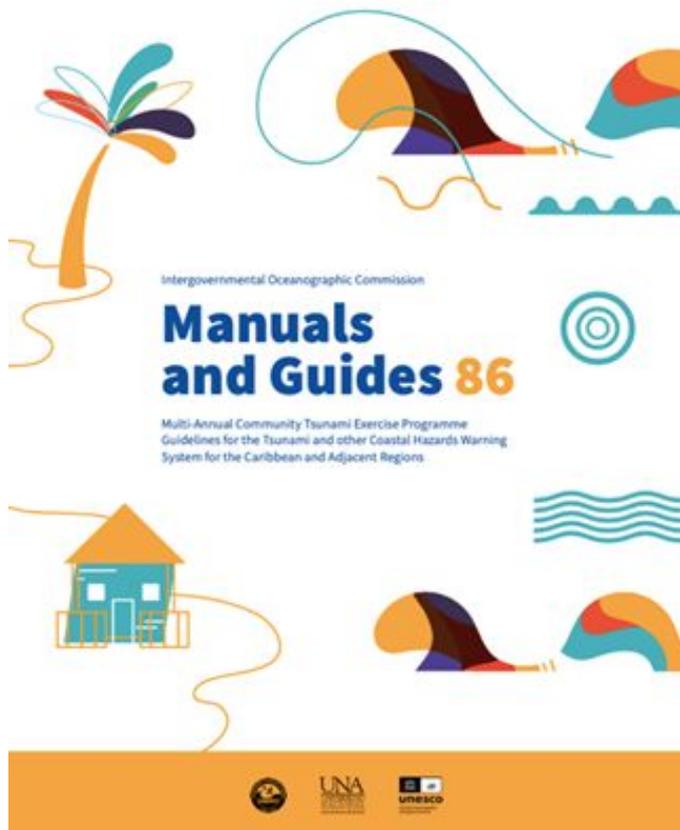
- CARIBE WAVE stickers for free-distribution to the TNCs, TWFPs, and NTWCs are also available upon requests to ITIC-CAR.
- Please contact [kimberly.maisonet-gonzalez@noaa.gov](mailto:kimberly.maisonet-gonzalez@noaa.gov) and [christa.vonh@noaa.gov](mailto:christa.vonh@noaa.gov) to arrange for no-cost supply and delivery.



# Resources available at [caribewave.org](http://caribewave.org)

- Manual and Guides 86: Multi-Annual Community Tsunami Exercise Programme Guidelines for the Tsunami and Other Coastal Hazards Warning System for the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions.
- Revised User's Guide for PTWC Procedures and Products for the CARIBE-EWS
- IOC Manuals "How to plan, conduct and evaluate tsunami exercises" and "Module on Tsunami Exercise" are useful resources.
- CARIBE WAVE 2011 - 2026 Handbook
- CARIBE WAVE 2011 - 2025 Final Reports

# Manual and Guides 86: Multi-Annual Community Tsunami Exercise Programme Guidelines for the Tsunami and other Coastal Hazards Warning System for the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions



- This guide is recommended for Member States to consider CARIBE WAVE Exercises.
- Provides community leaders to conduct and evaluate a tsunami evacuation exercise with a methodology and tools.
- It is particularly relevant for bodies that would be directly exposed to the effects of a tsunami such as local government, schools, associations, and businesses.
- This guide aims to encourage a shared culture of exercises to develop between the municipal authorities tasked with ensuring the safety of those living in their area and community leaders – stakeholders in the social and economic life of the area.
- Posted on [https://unesdoc.unesco.org/ark:/48223/pf000038054\\_0](https://unesdoc.unesco.org/ark:/48223/pf000038054_0)

# Additional Info

- Additional materials will be added to [caribewave.org](http://caribewave.org).
- Send links of other national pages to [christa.vonh@noaa.gov](mailto:christa.vonh@noaa.gov) to include on [caribewave.org](http://caribewave.org).
- This presentation is available on the website.
- The use of the #CARIBEWAVE and #TSUNAMIREADY hashtags are encouraged to be used before and during the exercise.

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# Timeline

ACTION	DUE DATE
<b>Handbook Draft Circulated among ICG CARIBE-EWS CARIBE WAVE 26 Task Team</b>	✓ October 2025
<b>Deadline for Comments</b>	✓ November 2025
<b>Circular Letter Issued by IOC to MS</b>	✓ January 2026
<b>Exercise Handbook Available Online</b>	January 2026
<b>First Webinar CW</b>	20 January 2026 – English 21 January 2026 – Spanish 22 January 2026 – French
<b>Second Webinar CW</b>	24 February 2026 – English 25 February 2026 – Spanish 26 February 2026 – French
<b>Countries Indicate Selected Scenario</b>	6 March 2026
<b>Exercise</b>	19 March 2026
<b>Hot-Wash</b>	31 March 2026
<b>Exercise Evaluation Due</b>	3 April 2026
<b>Draft CARIBE WAVE 26 Report</b>	21 April 2026

# Next Webinar

- The second webinar in English will be held on **24 February 2026**
- The following will be emphasized:
  - Exercise Updates
  - Communication Methods
  - Registration
  - Post Exercise Questionnaire
  - Media (Uploading Pictures/Videos)

# Questions, Comments

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