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First Annual
Centennial Strategy for

Buck Island Reef National Monument

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Site: BUIS

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Vision Statement

Buck Island Reef National Monument's mission is to protect, preserve, manage, and interpret the monument's seascapes, scenic views, and unique natural and cultural resources unimpaired for the education, enjoyment and inspiration of present and future generations.

The park purpose is to: 1) preserve and protect the island and tropical marine ecosystem including coral reefs, sea grass beds octocoral hardbottom, sand communities, algal plains, shelf edge, and oceanic habitats; 2) Protect threatened and endangered species and enhance their habitats and survivability; 3) enhance the health and diversity of fisheries resources through their protection; 4) protect and manage terrestrial and submerged cultural resources; 5) Preserve this area of outstanding scientific, aesthetic, and educational importance for the benefit and enjoyment of the people now and for the future.

The centennial vision for Salt River Bay will further support marine research and education at Buck Island Reef National Monument (the National Park Service first fully protected area).

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