

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY AND INSTITUTE

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Dear Valued Stakeholders, Partners and Colleagues:

The Coastal Zone Management Authority and Institute (CZMAI), in fulfilment of its commitment to promote the sustainable use and management of coastal resources in Belize through public outreach, is hosting the 7th annual Coastal Awareness Week (CAW) under the theme "Blue Economy for a Sustainable Coast" from October 25 to 30, 2021. This week of virtual activities is geared towards raising awareness and targets the public at various levels. The activities include:

- 1. Media appearances to launch CAW 2021-October 25, 2021
- 2. Virtual Trivia Challenge- October 25- 29, 2021
- 3. Panel Discussion "Towards a Blue Economy for Belize" October 26, 2021
- 4. Mini Story Book Competition-Announcement of Winners -October 27, 2021
- 5. Virtual Scavenger Hunt-October 28, 2021
- 6. Airing of the CAW 2021 edition of the Department of Environment's *Enviro Connect Buzz* Show -October 29, 2021
- 7. Run for the Coast Announcement of winners on October 30, 2021

One of the major activities of this year's CAW is the Panel Discussion on the topic "**Towards a Blue Economy for Belize**", which will be held virtually via Zoom on Tuesday, October 26, 2021 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Central Standard Time. See below registration link: https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqdu6upzorH9YmOV_OttsgpMowJ5LhkOxB

The event will feature panellists from Belize, including representatives from the Ministry of Blue Economy and Civil Aviation as well as the Belize Port Authority and one panellist representing the project "Integrated Ridge to Reef Management of the Mesoamerican Reef System" (MAR2R) who will be sharing updates on ongoing work and initiatives in line with the topic.

To this end, CZMAI would like to extend an invitation for you and or representative (s) from your organization to attend the panel discussion and to tune in for the other events.

CZMAI looks forward to your participation.

Best regards,

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