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Subject: The Pacific Tsunami Center Will Issue Tsunami Products with
Updated Spanish Language Geographic Area Titles for Puerto Rico
and the United States Virgin Islands and British Virgin Islands,
Effective March 21, 2024

The National Weather Service’s (NWS) Pacific Tsunami Center (PTWC) located
on Ford Island in Pearl Harbor, Oahu, Hawaii, will begin use of Spanish
language titles of geographic areas in the “Tsunami Information Statement”
product and the Tsunami Message product that can contain Tsunami Advisory,
Tsunami Watch and Tsunami Warning(s) for Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin
Islands and British Virgin Islands on Thursday, March 21, 2024 at 10:00 am
Atlantic Standard Time (AST) / 1400 Universal Coordinated Time (UTC). See
Table 1 below for information on the products affected.

To be consistent with other NWS Spanish tsunami text products, the
affected geographic area titles detailed in the Universal Geographic Code
(UGC) block of the two Spanish tsunami text products for Puerto Rico and
the U.S. Virgin Islands and British Virgin Islands will be translated to
Spanish effective on March 21, 2024.

The current geographic area titles:
COASTAL AREAS OF PUERTO RICO - THE U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS AND
THE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

Will be translated and replaced by:
ZONAS COSTERAS DE PUERTO RICO - LAS ISLAS VÍRGENES ESTADOUNIDENSES Y LAS
ISLAS VÍRGENES BRITÁNICAS

Table 1: Products to be updated

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