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DPNR TO HOST LA REINE FISH MARKET RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY

Commissioner Jean-Pierre L. Oriol of the Department of Planning and Natural Resources is pleased to announce the re-opening and Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony for the La Reine Fish Market on Wednesday, February 24th at 10 am.

The La Reine Fish Market has been shuttered for over 14 years due to an inadequate infrastructure which led to major health and safety concerns. The newly renovated facility will now offer 18 individual stall's and 12 state-of-the-art cleaning stations for monthly rent to licensed commercial fishermen.

The new market will also be outfitted with an ice machine, ADA compliant restrooms, proper parking area for customer access, and most importantly a 20, 000 gallon holding tank for fish waste as opposed to the original 5,000-gallon tank.

"The department is elated that it could finally bring this facility back on-line, it exhibits the commitment of the Bryan/Roach administration to entrepreneurship and its support to the commercial fishing industry by providing a healthy and safe environment to buy and sell their catch", said Commissioner Oriol.

The rent for individual stall's will be \$150 and cleaning stations are \$75 monthly. Tenants will be responsible for all utilities. If you are interested in becoming a tenant, contact the Division of Environmental Enforcement at (340) 773-5774.