



# **Coral Reef Monitoring Program**

- 1. Reef monitoring selected as one of NACRI's priorities in 2002**
- 2. Nutrient monitoring included at the urgent request of Bonaire**
- 3. Project proposal sent to various funding agencies in 2003.**
- 4. Funding granted by US National Fish and wildlife Foundation (NFWF) and by UNEP-CEP under the SPAW program in 2003**
- 5. UNEP grant received mid-2004; NFWF grant received mid-2005**

# Coral Reef Monitoring Program

- Coral reef monitoring program started in 2004.
- Reef Check training provided in St. Maarten, Statia, and Curacao
- AGRRA training in Bonaire in 2005





# Nutrient monitoring

- Sampling program set up with Dr. Brian Lapointe

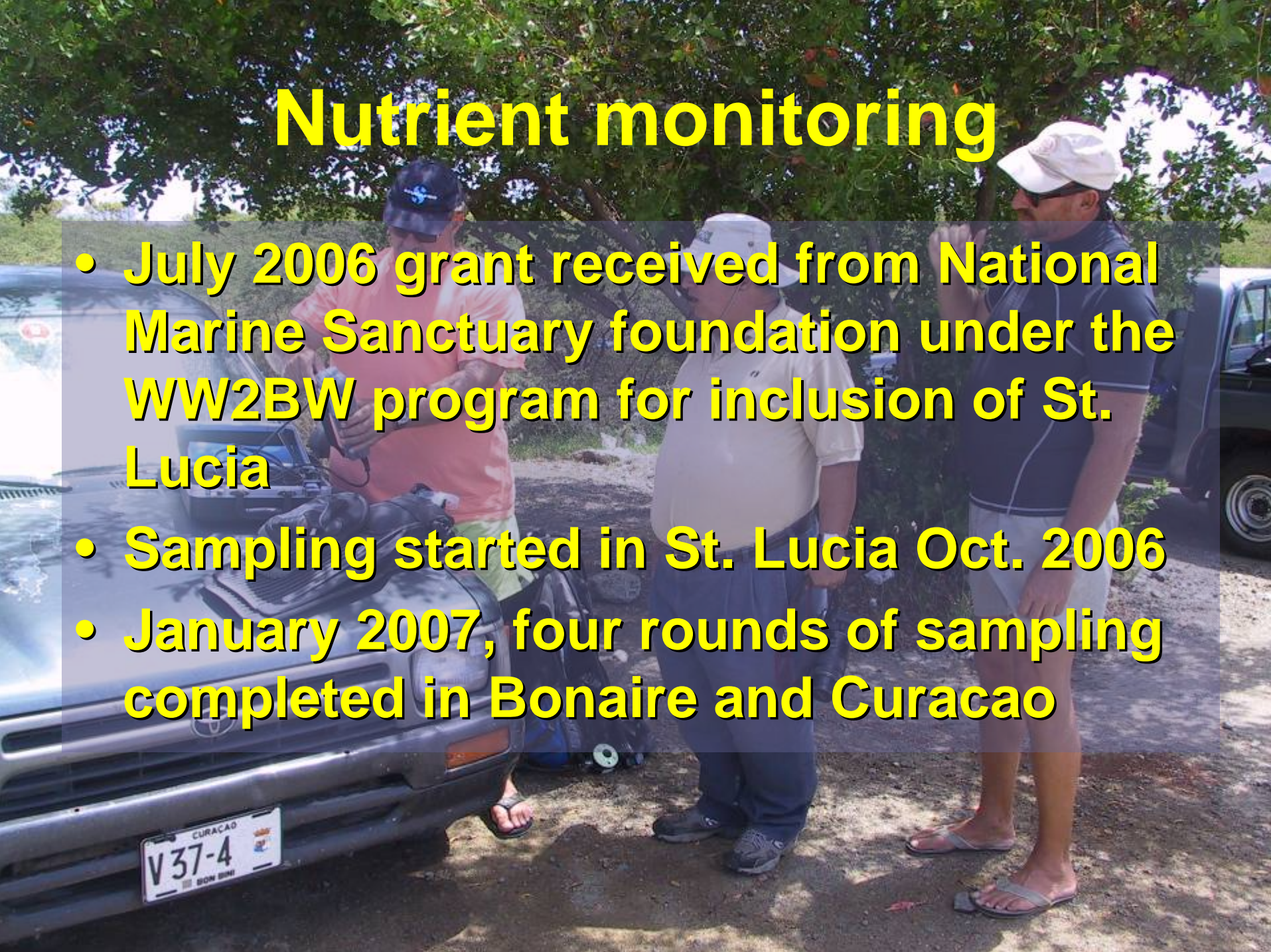
• **March 2006 start in Bonaire and Curacao with help of Reef Care Curacao and Stinapa Bonaire**





# Nutrient monitoring

- July 2006 grant received from National Marine Sanctuary foundation under the WW2BW program for inclusion of St. Lucia
- Sampling started in St. Lucia Oct. 2006
- January 2007, four rounds of sampling completed in Bonaire and Curacao





# Nutrient monitoring

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- Reef Care Curacao
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- Habitat Curacao
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