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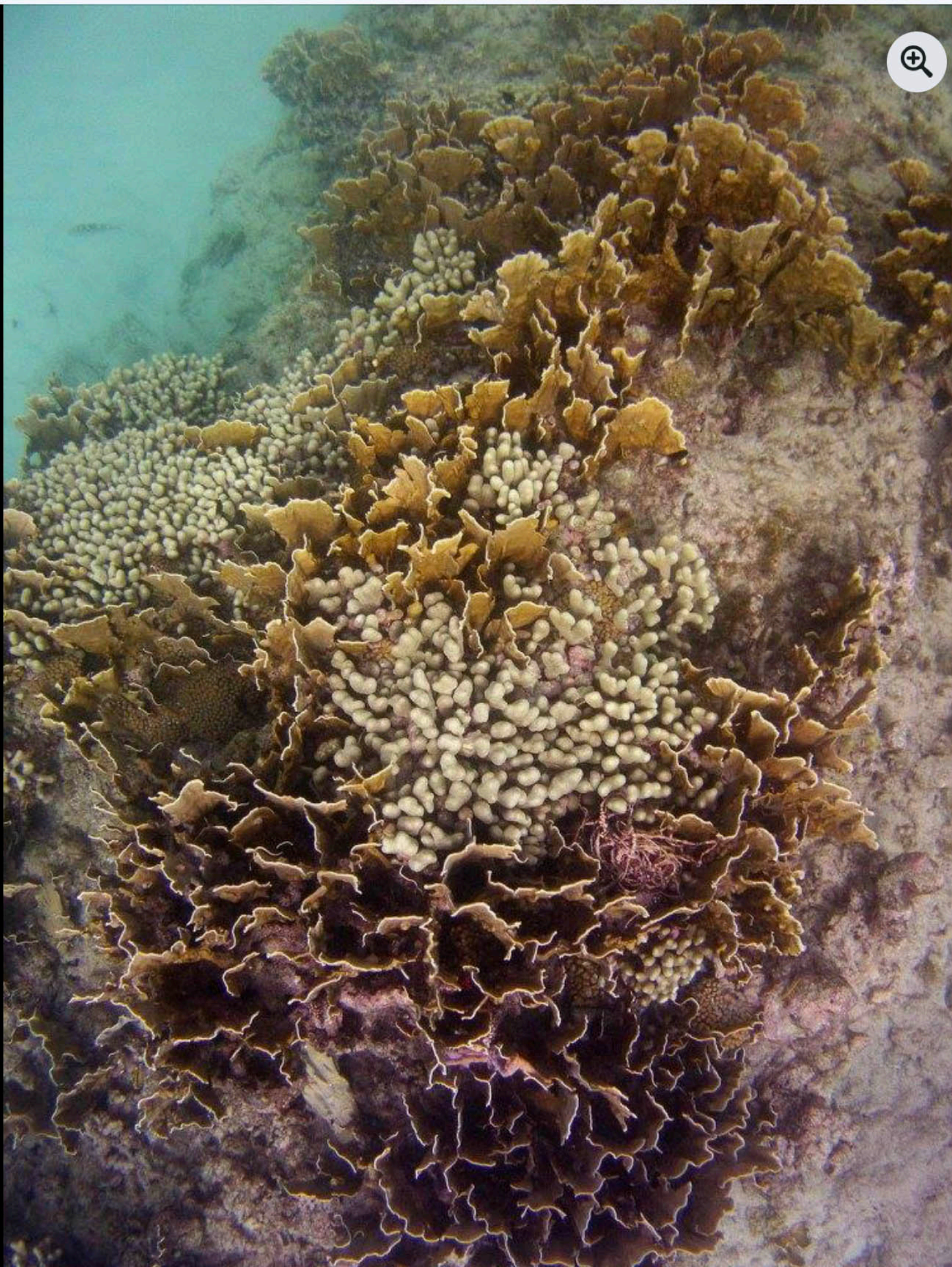
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I went underwater right away to see if a new colony of these nearly extinct corals I found last year had survived... OK (March 3)

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And the little patch of healthy reef is still there. (It's a lot bigger than what's in the photo)

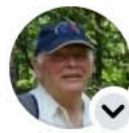
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Here's the thing as people say. A 28 million US\$ residence is being built by the beach. The big question: will they flush chlorinated water onto the reef?

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I've asked them...

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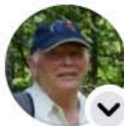
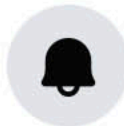
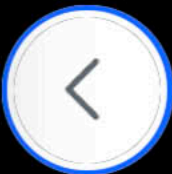
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I took Jim Gould from Halifax on a snorkel tour of "The Reef" today. That's Jim

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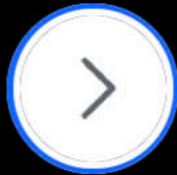
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The fish showed up right on cue. They equate snorkelers with free food (not the snorkelers of course but the food tour boats throw in the water.)

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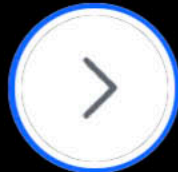
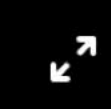
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It's the only patch of good shallow reef I know of on the west coast of Barbados

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This is how less than 1% of shallow reefs look in Barbados today but how most shallow reefs looked like when I first viewed them in 1966. You don't want to see the other 99%. (Deep reefs - 60+ft - are still OK, but they don't protect the island.)

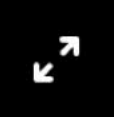
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We visit this little patch of healthy reef

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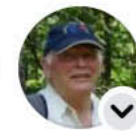
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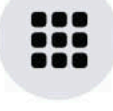


When I wear goggles, I see things in the swimming area that I would rather not not-see...

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Whenever I have snorkelled the reef for a few hours, I have always found something "new"; yesterday I thought the day had finally come when i wouldn't, then I spotted this- a rare seagrass.

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Seaview of a rainbow

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'Found a few more of these special corals (at left: *Acropora prolifera*); they are doing well, a small good news story for a change. (More at <http://versicolor.ca/reef>)

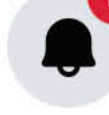
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White spotted filefish

