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**Community invited to TOKA Hotline event on Thursday to help combat illegal hunting and fishing activity**

The Guam Department of Agriculture and the University of Guam Sea Grant program will be announcing this week an extension of the TOKA Hotline to further combat threats to the island's fish and wildlife.



The TOKA Hotline, launched in 2019, is a community conservation initiative that connects residents to conservation officers.

The hotline allows members of the community to be an extra set of eyes in identifying and mitigating illegal activity. By calling 864-8652 (TOKA), residents can immediately report any potential violations regarding hunting, fishing, or forest fires.

"We're excited to unveil a new part of this initiative that enables our community in helping to protect our island's natural environment," said Fran Castro, associate director of UOG Sea Grant.

The community is invited to a special launch event from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday at Carabao Brewing in Hagåtña. The event will feature live local music, a promotional video premiere, and a meet and greet with the conservation officers.

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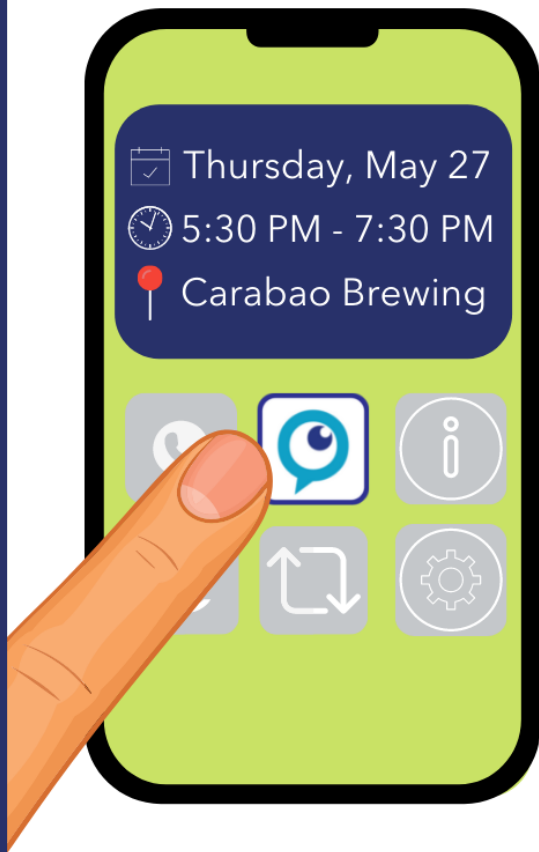
**Photo caption:**

University of Guam Sea Grant and Guam Department of Agriculture representatives at  
(From left) Fran Castro, program leader, UOG Sea Grant; Lt. Mark Aguon, officer in charge, Guam Department of Agriculture Law Enforcement Section; Chelsa Muna-Brecht, director, Guam Department of Agriculture; Austin Shelton, director, UOG Sea Grant; and Nathan Rios, conservation officer, Guam Department of Agriculture Law Enforcement Section.

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Meet the conservation officers



First-look at Toka



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