

Mexico (Yucatan) Red and Black Grouper FIP Progress Update

January 2017 -- LAST YEAR ACTIVITIES APPEAR IN BLUE THROUGHOUT THE TABLE

Results/FIP Stage	Indicator of Success	Specific Details	Date Achieved	Entities in charge	Source
FIP is launched (Stage 1)	Sustainability evaluation is publicly available	MSC pre-assessment	June 2014	Sea Delight, Atlántida del Sur, CeDePesca, Intertek	MSC Pre-assessment
		FishSource profile for Red grouper	September 2014	CeDePesca FishSource	Red grouper
	FishSource profile for Black grouper			Black grouper	
	Fisheries improvement recommendations publicly available	Technical report	June 2014	CeDePesca	Current improvement recommendations
FIP is formed (Stage 2)	Suppliers are organized	Framework collaboration agreement signed, starting the FIP	January 2014	Sea Delight, Atlántida del Sur, CeDePesca	FIP Framework Collaboration Agreement
		Collaboration agreement signed to formalize the participation of the Regional Federation of Cooperatives from Centro-Poniente (FED-PTE)	April 2015	Federación Regional de Cooperativas del Centro-Poniente del estado de Yucatán, CeDePesca	Framework Agreement
		Updated Framework collaboration agreement signed to include Handy International	February 2016	Sea Delight, Atlántida del Sur, Handy International, CeDePesca	Updated FIP Framework Agreement
		Addendum to the Framework collaboration agreement to include Chefs Trading	March 2016	Sea Delight, Handy International, Chefs Trading, CeDePesca	Addendum N1
		Addendum to the Framework collaboration agreement to include PESMAR	March 2016	Sea Delight, Handy International, PESMAR, CeDePesca	Addendum N2
		Addendum to the Framework collaboration agreement to include Quirch Foods	April 2016	Sea Delight, Handy International, Quirch Foods, CeDePesca	Addendum N3

		Specific Agreement signed to formalize the participation of the fishers association La Pobre de Dios	July 2016	La Pobre de Dios CeDePesca	Specific Agreement N1
FIP is encouraging improvements (Stage 3)	Workplan with annual improvement milestones publicly available	Detailed workplan is available	June 2014	CeDePesca FIP Partners	Workplan 2014-2015
			October 2015	CeDePesca FIP Partners	Workplan 2015-2016
			January 2016	CeDePesca FIP Partners	Basic workplan 2015-2016
			April 2016	CeDePesca FIP Partners	Updated Workplan 2015-2016
	FIP partners are engaging regulators	Several meetings took place with stakeholders to discuss possible control strategies	May-June 2014	Comité Estatal del Sistema Producto Mero Yucatán CeDePesca	El Financiero - Media report
			July-August 2014	Comité Estatal del Sistema Producto Mero Yucatán, Atlántida del Sur, CONMECOOP, FED-PTE, CONAPESCA, CRIP, SEDER, CeDePesca	Mexican Official Bulletin - 14 Aug 2014
			July 2014	SAGARPA CONMECOOP, CeDePesca, among others.	SAGARPA - Press release
			December 2014	CONAPESCA, INAPESCA, Scientists, CeDePesca	TallaPolitica - Media report Picture
			March 2015	Fishermen Leaders in Progreso and Río Lagartos, CONAPESCA, CRIP Yucalpeten, CeDePesca	Picture SAGARPA - Press release
			June 2015	State Fishery Council CONAPESCA, CRIP Yucalpeten (INAPESCA), Local Authorities, CeDePesca	Picture

	Analyzing implications of Good Manufacturing Practices and how to control hygiene and appropriate register in fisheries	July 2015	COFEPRIS, SENASICA, CONAPESCA, CeDePesca local exporters and leaders,	Picture
	Participation in the discussions analyzing proposals that will be part of the Workshop regarding the General Plan for Fishing and Aquaculture	July-August 2015	CeDePesca, local scientists.	Picture
	Workshop - Guiding Plan for Fishing and Aquaculture	September 2015	FAO, Local leaders and scientists, Seafood industry representatives, CONAPESCA, INAPESCA, Local Authorities, CeDePesca	Picture
	Meeting with Mr. Pablo Arenas Fuentes, General Director of INAPESCA, local leaders of Yucatan's coastal communities	September 2015	INAPESCA, Crip-Yucalpeten, CONAPESCA, Local leaders from all the Coastal Communities of Yucatan, CeDePesca	Picture 1 Picture 2
	Discussions on how to protect grouper spawning areas in the Alacranes reef. The meetings have taken place in the context of the reef's Protection Plan	September-October 2015	Local leaders with fishing permits in Alacranes Reef, CONAPESCA, CRIP Yucalpeten (INAPESCA), CeDePesca	Picture
	Participation in the draft of the document "Diagnosis and Guiding Plan for Fisheries and Aquaculture in Yucatan" coordinated by FAO	March 2016	FAO, CINVESTAV, CeDePesca, local experts	Executive Summary (Spanish) Diagnosis (Spanish) Guiding Plan (Spanish) SAGARPA - Press release (URL no longer available)

	Participation in the workshop “Regional FIPs: México, Centroamérica and Caribe”	August 2016	Inapesca, Cobi, EDF, Sea-Delight, Walton Family Foundation, PESMAR, La Pobre de Dios, Comepesca, Pronatura, INCOPECA, CeDePesca, among others.	Picture 1 Picture 2
	Participation in the “Workshop for the Follow-up of the First Forum for Strengthening Participation in Fisheries Public Policy” (Barco Abierto) at the Mexican Senate	October 2016	Senators, Causa Natura, Cobi, INAPESCA, CONAPESCA, CeDePesca, among others.	Barco Abierto - Press release MexicanSenate and Barco Abierto-Meeting report Picture
	The FIP was presented at the “Workshop on Sustainability and Fisheries Certification” at the Mexican Senate	October 2016	Senators, Causa Natura, Cobi, INAPESCA, CONAPESCA, CeDePesca, among others	Mexican Senate – Press release Mexican Senate - Exec. Summary Picture
	CeDePesca’s proposal presented to Senators Ernesto Ruffo Appel and Diva Gastelum	November 2016	Senators from the Fisheries Commission CeDePesca	CeDePesca’s proposal
	Participation in the Symposium “México as part of the International Fisheries Activities” at the Mexican Senate	November 2016	Senators from the Fisheries Commission, FAO, INAPESCA, CONAPESCA, CeDePesca among others.	Mexican Senate – press release Mexican Senate - Report
	Fisheries Sustainability Meeting, conducted as a sideline event to the COP13	December 2016	Fisheries stakeholders	CONAPESCA – press release
	Letter sent to CRIP-Yucaltepén informing them on the measures taken by the State of Florida (USA) in regards to minimum import sizes and requesting participation in the Grouper Management Committee	December 2016	CRIP-Yucaltepén CeDePesca	CeDePesca - Letter

FIP is delivering improvement in policies or practices (Stage 4)	Fishery is achieving agreed annual improvement milestones	Launching of a Management Proposal in agreement with other FIP members	October 2014	CeDePesca FIP partners	CeDePesca - Media report CeDePesca - Management Proposal
		Contribution to the proposal by the "Comité Sistema Producto Mero" about actions to improve the fishery	May-September 2014	CeDePesca, local fisheries federations, CESPМ	Confidential document delivered to the government
		Dissemination between fishermen: Discussions of artisanal fisheries management experience	September 2014	CeDePesca, Sea Delight, Fishermen from Dzilam de Bravo and Telchac	Picture
		Fishermen workshops with CeDePesca	February - March 2015	CeDePesca, 186 fishers from 5 coastal communities.	Picture 1 Picture 2
		Discussions on importance of improving strategies to protect grouper from overfishing	October-December 2015	CeDePesca, local leaders	
		Discussions with local scientists in order to promote a system to register fishing information.	November-December 2015	CeDePesca, local scientists	Picture
		Workshops for the fishermen of Chabihau Port	April 2016	Fishers from Chabihau Port CeDePesca,	Picture
		Data collection activities promoted by the FIP have started in Sisal and Chicxulub Port with the participation of fishers.	May 2016	Chicxulub fishers CeDePesca	
		Presentation of the FIP and the grouper fishery situation to skippers at the Sea Fest Fish Tournament	July 2016	Sport fishers from Yucatán, CeDePesca	HolaYucatan - Media report
		CeDePesca's workshop "Grouper Fisheries at Yucatan: Obstacles and the search for solutions"	December, 2016	Fisher leaders CeDePesca	CeDePesca - Workshop report MilenioNovedades - Media report Picture

Fishery policies changed	Publication in the Official Mexican Government Law Journal of the "Plan de Manejo Pesquero de Mero (<i>Epinephelus morio</i>) y especies asociadas" (Official management document for Grouper and associated species)	November 2014	INAPESCA, CONAPESCA, local leaders, Grouper Committee (Comité Sistema Producto Mero)	Mexican Official Bulletin - 25 Nov 2014
	CONAPESCA increases the fishing closure season from one to two months (from February 1 st to March 31 st) as of 2016.	February 2015	CONAPESCA	Mexican Official Bulletin - 24 Feb 2015
	Draft Management Plan is issued by CONAPESCA ("Ordenamiento Pesquero de Mero en la Península de Yucatan")	January 2016	CONAPESCA	SAGARPA - Draft Management Plan (URL no longer available) SAGARPA - Draft Management Plan
	CONAPESCA modifies the 2016 fishing closure season dividing it into two periods (from February 1 st to March 11 th and a second period from December 15 th to January 3 rd 2017)	March 2016	CONAPESCA	Mexican Official Bulletin - 11 Mar 2016
	CONAPESCA again modifies the 2016 fishing season, this time eliminating the second closure period	December 14 th , 2016	CONAPESCA	Mexican Official Bulletin – 16 Dec 2016
	Fishery practices changed	Fisheries Management Nautical Committees (Comité Nautico de Ordenamiento Pesquero) were re-established in coastal communities	October-December 2015	Local communities, Federal, State and Municipal officials
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