

Mexico (Yucatan) Red and Black Grouper FIP Progress Update

October 2017 – CURRENT 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 conducted by Intertekt	June 2014	Sea Delight, Atlántida del Sur, CeDePesca	MSC Pre-assessment
		FishSource profile for Red grouper and for Black grouper	September 2014	CeDePesca FishSource	Red grouper Black grouper
	Fisheries improvement recommendations publicly available	Technical report	June 2014	CeDePesca	Current improvement recommendations
FIP is formed (Stage 2)	FIP partners 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 with Fed Pte
		Updated Framework collaboration agreement signed to include Handy International	February 2016	FIP partners Handy International, CeDePesca	Updated FIP Framework Agreement
		Addendum to the Framework collaboration agreement to include Chefs Trading	March 2016	FIP partners Chefs Trading, CeDePesca	Addendum N1
		Addendum to the Framework collaboration agreement to include PESMAR	March 2016	FIP partners, PESMAR, CeDePesca	Addendum N2
		Addendum to the Framework collaboration agreement to include Quirch Foods	April 2016	FIP partners, 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 with La Pobre de Dios
		Specific Agreement signed to formalize the participation of the fishers Federation Regional de Sociedades Cooperativas Pesqueras, Turísticas, Acuícolas y Artesanales del Estado de Yucatán	March 2017	Federación Regional CeDePesca	Specific Agreement N1 with Federación Regional

FIP is formed (Stage 2) CONTINUED	FIP partners are organized CONTINUED	Addendum to the Framework collaboration agreement to include Netuno USA, Comercial Oceanica and Orca Seafoods	April 2017	FIP Partners Netuno USA Comercial Oceánica Orca Seafood	To be provided shortly
		Specific Agreement signed to formalize the participation of Combamar	August 2017	Combamar CeDePesca	To be provided shortly
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
			April 2017	CeDePesca FIP Partners	To be provided shortly
	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 improvement actions	May-September 2014	CeDePesca, local fisheries federations, CESPIM	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	

FIP is encouraging improvements (Stage 3)	Fishery is achieving agreed annual improvement milestones	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
	CONTINUED	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
		Meetings to present the "Committee of Sustainable Management of the Grouper Fishery" to be implemented by CONAPESCA	January-March 2017	Fisher leaders CeDePesca	Meeting minute (February) Picture
		Special presentation to UNAM students of the career "Sustainable Management of Coastal Zones"	April 2017	CeDePesca	Picture
		Educational workshops "Fish for the Future"	June 2017	CeDePesca UMDI-SISAL UNAM	Picture 1 Picture 2 Picture 3 Picture 4
		Data collection activities promoted by the FIP are taking place in Progreso and Chicxulub Port	June 2017-	FIP Partners CeDePesca	
		Presentation of the FIP, and presentation of the "Committee of Sustainable Management of the Grouper Fishery" to be implemented by CONAPESCA	July 2017	Fisher leaders CeDePesca	Meeting minute (in Spanish) Picture 1
		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
	Participation in several initiatives together with governmental and non-governmental stakeholders in order to develop a proposal to improve the fishery		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
	Participation in a meeting with fishing cooperative CONMECOOP to analyze and develop proposals to improve governance		July 2014	SAGARPA CONMECOOP, CeDePesca, among others.	SAGARPA - Press release

<p>FIP is encouraging improvements (Stage 3)</p> <p>CONTINUED</p>	<p>FIP partners are engaging regulators</p>	<p>Participation in the “International Technical Meeting to analyze the grouper fishery”</p>	<p>December 2014</p>	<p>CONAPESCA, INAPESCA, Scientists, CeDePesca</p>	<p>TallaPolitica - Media report</p> <p>Picture</p>
	CONTINUED	<p>Participation in the Presentation of the Management Plan</p>	<p>March 2015</p>	<p>Fishermen Leaders in Progreso and Río Lagartos, CONAPESCA, CRIP Yucalpeten, CeDePesca</p>	<p>Picture</p> <p>SAGARPA - Press release</p>
		<p>Participation in State Fishery Council meetings that restarted after two years of inactivity.</p>	<p>June 2015</p>	<p>State Fishery Council CONAPESCA, CRIP Yucalpeten (INAPESCA), Local Authorities, CeDePesca</p>	<p>Picture</p>
		<p>Analyzing implications of Good Manufacturing Practices and how to control hygiene and appropriate register in fisheries</p>	<p>July 2015</p>	<p>COFEPRIS, SENASICA, CONAPESCA, CeDePesca local exporters and leaders</p>	<p>Picture</p>
		<p>Participation in the discussions analyzing proposals that will be part of the Workshop regarding the General Plan for Fishing and Aquaculture</p>	<p>July-August 2015</p>	<p>CeDePesca, local scientists.</p>	<p>Picture</p>
		<p>Workshop - Guiding Plan for Fishing and Aquaculture</p>	<p>September 2015</p>	<p>FAO, Local leaders and scientists, Seafood industry representatives, CONAPESCA, INAPESCA, Local Authorities, CeDePesca</p>	<p>Picture</p>
		<p>Meeting with Mr. Pablo Arenas Fuentes, General Director of INAPESCA, local leaders of Yucatan’s coastal communities</p>	<p>September 2015</p>	<p>INAPESCA, Crip-Yucalpeten, CONAPESCA, Local leaders CeDePesca</p>	<p>Picture 1</p> <p>Picture 2</p>
		<p>Discussions on how to protect grouper spawning areas in the Alacranes reef, in the context of the reef’s Protection Plan</p>	<p>September -October 2015</p>	<p>Local leaders with fishing permits in Alacranes Reef, CONAPESCA, CRIP Yucalpeten (INAPESCA), CeDePesca</p>	<p>Picture</p>
		<p>Participation in the draft of the document “Diagnosis and Guiding Plan for Fisheries and Aquaculture in Yucatan” coordinated by FAO</p>	<p>March 2016</p>	<p>FAO, CINVESTAV, CeDePesca, local experts</p>	<p>In Spanish: Executive Summary Diagnosis Guiding Plan SAGARPA - Press release (no longer available)</p>

FIP is encouraging improvements (Stage 3) CONTINUED	FIP partners are engaging regulators CONTINUED	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
		Participation on the VII Meeting of Alternatives of Fishing Management organized by EDF. Poster presentation.	January 2017	EDF Fishing authorities CeDePesca	Picture

FIP is encouraging improvements (Stage 3) CONTINUED	FIP partners are engaging regulators CONTINUED	FIP partners had the opportunity to discuss FIP advances with the National Fisheries Commissioner from CONAPESCA	March 2017	FIP Partners CONAPESCA CeDePesca	Presentation (in English) Picture 1 Picture 2
		Participation in the 2 nd and 3 rd work sessions to elaborate law changes for Strengthening Participation in Fisheries Public Policy” (Barco Abierto) at the Mexican Senate	April - June 2017	Senators, Causa Natura, Cobi, INAPESCA, CONAPESCA, CeDePesca, among others.	Picture 1 Picture 2 Link to Barco Abierto
		Participation in the “Regional Consultation Forum with Fisheries and Aquaculture Sectors of the Caribbean and Gulf of Mexico toward Sustainable Fisheries” in Cancun	June 2017	CONAPESCA, INAPESCA Fisheries Commission of the Senate, Cobi, EDF, CeDePesca, among others	Agenda (in Spanish) Picture
		Participation in 4 rd work session to elaborate law changes for Strengthening Participation in Fisheries Public Policy” (Barco Abierto) at the Mexican Senate	September 2017	CONAPESCA, Causa Natura Fisheries Commission of the Senate, Cobi, CeDePesca, among others	Picture Link to Barco Abierto
		FIP is delivering improvement in policies or practices (Stage 4)	Fishery practices are changing	Fisheries Management Nautical Committees (Comité Nautico de Ordenamiento Pesquero) were re-established in coastal communities	October-December 2015
		Workshops for the fishermen of Chicxulub Port - Improving Fisheries Practices	January-March 2016	Chicxulub fishers CeDePesca	Picture
		Data collection activities promoted by the FIP are taking place in Sisal and Chicxulub Port with the participation of fishers.	May 2016-April 2017	Chicxulub fishers FIP Partners CeDePesca	
		Data collection activities promoted by the FIP are taking place in Progreso and Chicxulub Port	June 2017-September 2017	FIP Partners CeDePesca	
	Fishery policies are changing	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

FIP is delivering improvement in policies or practices (Stage 4) CONTINUED	Fishery policies are changing CONTINUED	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 2016	CONAPESCA	Mexican Official Bulletin – 16 Dec 2016 (in Spanish)
		CONAPESCA modifies fishing closure, expanding the closure area	March 2017	CONAPESCA	Mexican Official Bulletin – 03 Mar 2017 (in Spanish)