

Panama mahi-mahi and yellowfin tuna FIP Progress Update

January 2018 -- CURRENT YEAR ACTIVITIES APPEAR IN BLUE THROUGHOUT THE TABLE

Results/ FIP Stage	Indicator of Success	Specific Details	Date Achieved	Entity in charge	Source	
FIP is launched (Stage 1)	Sustainability evaluation is publicly available	Mahi-Mahi Gap Analysis	July 2013	CeDePesca	Gap analysis mahi-mahi	
		Yellowfin tuna Analysis	September 2013	CeDePesca	Gap analysis tuna (Spanish)	
		Sustainability report for mahi	January 2012	SFP	Mahi-mahi – Eastern Pacific	
		Sustainability report for yellowfin tuna			Yellowfin tuna Eastern Pacific	
	Improvement recommendations publicly available	Recommendations are available through the FIP Public Report	March 2013 - present	CeDePesca	Current improvement recommendations	
FIP is formed (Stage 2)	Suppliers are organized	CeDePesca continued to strengthen relationships with the industry, especially with Grupo Panalang Union Inc. artisanal fishers associations, and other stakeholders	2011 and 2012	Grupo Panalang Union; CeDePesca		
		Framework Collaboration Agreement signed between Grupo Panalang Union Inc. and CeDePesca	December 2011, and renewed each year	Grupo Panalang Union; CeDePesca	MoU	
		Workshop held to disseminate other FIPs and certification process and to present the preliminary results of the gap analysis and workplan	February 2013	CeDePesca; Grupo Panalang Union	Media coverage - ANPanama Pictures	
		Memorandum of Understanding signed between Bay Hill Seafood and CeDePesca	February 2016	Bay Hill Seafood CeDePesca	MoU - Confidential Media coverage - Undercurrent News	
		Bay Hill Seafood informs of its decision to suspend its participation from the FIP as of December 1 st . FIP partners are grateful for its participation in the project.	December 2016	Bay Hill Seafood Grupo Panalang Union CeDePesca		
		Workplan with annual improvement milestones publicly available	Detailed workplan is available	September 2013	CeDePesca	Detailed workplan
			Updated workplan is available	October 2015	CeDePesca	Workplan Oct 2015-Oct 2016

FIP is encouraging improvements (Stage 3)	FIP is achieving its milestones	First national workshop about fisheries research gaps. This is a first step towards a research plan for this fishery.	April 2013	ARAP; UP; UMIP; STRI; PROMARINA; Panalang Union; CeDePesca	Conclusions available on request
		Longline fisheries commission formed.	September 2013	ARAP; UMIP; CONAPAS; MARPESCA; PESCA FINA; FUNAPESCA; STRI; independent fisheries researchers; Panalang Union; ARAP	Initial documents developed
		Training to skippers in data collection by the fishing logbook in some ports like Juan Díaz, Mensabe and Pedregal	January, February and April 2014	CeDePesca	Picture
		Skippers started to provide filled logbooks	July 2014	CeDePesca	
		One more captain was trained in collecting catch-effort data in Mensabe Port.	August 2014	CeDePesca	Picture 1
		Meetings with fishers, merchants and shipbuilders in Pedregal Port and Remedios Port to gain participation on the improvements	June 2015	CeDePesca	
		Fisheries Advisory Council meets in Chiriquí and has agreed to implement the fishing logbook and to take samples at the processing plant as of December 2015.	August 2015	ARAP; MINSA; AMP; UNACHI; fishers and merchants; CeDePesca	
	ARAP and CeDePesca signed a Framework Collaboration Agreement that formalizes their relationship and ARAP's intention of working towards sustainability of all Panamanian fisheries.	February 2016	CeDePesca ARAP	ARAP Press release Media coverage - La Estrella de Panamá	
FIP partners are engaging regulators		First national workshop about fisheries research gaps. This is a first step towards a research plan for this fishery.	April 2013	ARAP; UP; UMIP; STRI; PROMARINA; Panalang Union; CeDePesca	Conclusions available on request

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		<p>Longline commission stalled because of political conflicts</p>	<p>April 2014</p>	<p>ARAP; UMIP; CONAPAS; MARPESCA; PESCA FINA; FUNAPESCA; STRI; independent fisheries researchers; Panalang Union; ARAP</p>	
		<p>Two biologists were trained for the Onboard Observers Program</p>	<p>May 2014</p>	<p>University of Panama (CRUV); CeDePesca</p>	
		<p>With support of this FIP, a Panama delegation (including a representative of ARAP) participated at the first International Scientific Workshop organized by IATTC in Manta, Ecuador. CeDePesca made a presentation of FIP results.</p>	<p>October 2014</p>	<p>CeDePesca; Grupo Panalang Union; ARAP</p>	<p>Presentation</p> <p>Media coverage - CeDePesca</p>
		<p>Three more captains were trained in collecting catch and effort data at Pedregal Port.</p>	<p>January 2015</p>	<p>CeDePesca</p>	
		<p>Two more captains were trained in collecting catch and effort data in Juan Diaz Port.</p>	<p>September 2015</p>	<p>CeDePesca</p>	
		<p>Regular meetings with ARAP and other industry representatives to encourage the adoption of a management plan.</p>	<p>January-July 2015</p>	<p>CeDePesca</p>	
		<p>Fisheries Advisory Council meets in Chiriquí and has agreed to implement the fishing logbook and to take samples at the processing plant as of December 2015.</p>	<p>August 2015</p>	<p>ARAP; MINSA; AMP; UNACHI; fishers and merchants; CeDePesca</p>	
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		<p>ARAP and Panalang took charge of updating of the database related to the fishing logbook.</p>	<p>October 2015</p>	<p>ARAP; Grupo Panalang Union</p>	
		<p>CeDePesca worked on a draft containing revised management measures applicable to the longline fisheries, together with representatives from the fishing sector. The draft has been presented to ARAP for further consideration.</p>	<p>January 2016</p>	<p>CeDePesca; Grupo Panalang Union; other fishery stakeholders</p>	<p>Confidential</p>
		<p>ARAP and CeDePesca signed a Framework Collaboration Agreement that formalizes their relationship and ARAP's intention of working towards sustainability of all Panamanian fisheries.</p>	<p>February 2016</p>	<p>CeDePesca ARAP</p>	<p>ARAP Press release</p> <p>Media coverage - La Estrella de Panamá</p>
		<p>ARAP has convened meetings to discuss a draft Executive Decree for the mahi and yellowfin tuna longline fishery. Fishery stakeholders have been asked to participate, and the draft proposal includes suggestions made by the FIP.</p>	<p>April 2016</p>	<p>ARAP Panalang CeDePesca Other fishery stakeholders</p>	
		<p>The IATTC's third technical meeting is being organized by IATTC, CeDePesca and ARAP</p>	<p>April 2016</p>	<p>IATTC ARAP CeDePesca FIP Partners</p>	
		<p>The 3rd IATTC's meeting on mahi mahi took place in Panama City from October 25th to 27th with financial support from this FIP.</p>	<p>October 2016</p>	<p>CeDePesca ARAP IATTC</p>	<p>IATTC's 3rd technical meeting webpage</p> <p>PanamaOn - Media Report (in Spanish)</p>
	<p>FIP is encouraging</p>	<p>FIP members are engaging</p>	<p>ARAP, IATTC and CeDePesca have been coordinating a mahi mahi otolith collection program in Panama</p>	<p>December 2016</p>	<p>ARAP IATTC CeDePesca</p>

improvements (Stage 3) CONTINUED	regulators CONTINUED	<p>The program for the extraction and conservation of otoliths of the mahi mahi coordinated by ARAP, IATTC and CeDePesca started in processing plants. FIP partner Panalang is participating from the program.</p>	July 2017	ARAP IATTC Panalang Union CeDePesca	
		<p>Executive Decree No. 126 of 2017 was published in the Official Gazette No. 28365-B. The decree is a step forward in the management of the Panamanian mahi-mahi and yellowfin tuna, as it issues regulations regarding the use of longlines in waters under jurisdiction of the Republic of Panama.</p>	September 2017	ARAP	Executive Decree No. 126 of 2017
		<p>Sanctions Agreement No. 01-ZEPM-2018, which approves the regulation of productive activities that take place in the Special Marine Protection Zone. This agreement establishes management measures, sustainable use and conservation of the mahi mahi (<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>) and yellowfin tuna (<i>Thunnus albacares</i>)</p>	January 2018	Commission for the Sustainable Management of Fishing in the Special Marine Protection Zone	
FIP is delivering improvement in policies or practices (Stage 4)	Fishery practices are improving	<p>Digitalization of exports data provided by Panalang Union Group started</p>	March 2014	Grupo Panalang Union; CeDePesca	Data base available on request under confidentiality commitment
		<p>Skippers started to provide filled logbooks</p>	July 2014	CeDePesca	
		<p>Digitalization of exports data corresponding to May, June and July.</p>	September 2014	Grupo Panalang Union; CeDePesca	Data base available on request under confidentiality
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		<p>A draft resolution to convene an Interim Committee for Longline is being discussed by ARAP and stakeholders</p>	<p>April 2016</p>	<p>ARAP Panalang CeDePesca Other fishery stakeholders</p>	
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		<p>The IATTC's third technical meeting is being organized. The meeting is being financially supported in part by this FIP.</p>	<p>April - October 2016</p>	<p>IATTC ARAP CeDePesca FIP Partners</p>	
		<p>ARAP provided information on mahi-mahi landings in several ports in the Panamanian Pacific.</p>	<p>August 2016</p>	<p>ARAP CeDePesca</p>	<p>Data base available on request under confidentiality agreement</p>
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