# Mexico Puerto Peñasco white clam - hookah

# **Overview**

#### **FIP Description**

The white clam (Dosinia ponderosa) semiautonomous Hookah diving fishery from the Puerto Peñasco, Sonora region of the Northern Gulf of California, has become important in recent years due to its abundance and growing market interest. The average annual catch of around 150 metric tons is generated by 18 licenses (boats) distributed between 4 cooperatives and 8 individual licensees. This fishing effort is focused on harvesting two main clam beds, evaluated by INAPESCA as a healthy population capable of sustainable management using a total allowable catch and individual quotas which they have already determined.

# **How is this FIP Doing?**

#### **Current Status:**

21% 79%

% of Indicators Tracked Basic FIPs may focus their workplans on a subset of the indicators. This shows the proportion of total indicators the FIP is working on.

Actions Progress This shows the proportion of actions in the workplan that the FIP has completed.

Actions Overview This shows the proportion of actions that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started.

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
0%	80%	20%	0%

#### C - Some Recent Progress

#### FIP Objective(s)

General objective

The goal of this White Clam (Dosinia ponderosa) basic FIP is to have the fishery perform at a consistent level to achieve approval for certification to the MSC standard by 2025

Specific objectives

- Install the White Clam Fishery Management Consultative Committee by 2025
- Design and implement a Fishery Monitoring Program by 2025.
- Elaborate a White clam Stock assessment update by 2022 (Completed 2023).
- Generate inputs for the development and implementation of a Fishery Management Plan FMP for the white clam fishery by 2025.
- Develop a Fact Sheet proposal for the white clam fishery and request its incorporation into the National Fisheries Act by 2025.

#### **FIP Type**

Basic

#### **FIP Stage**

Stage 4: Improvements in Fishing Practices or Fishery Management

#### **Start and Projected End Dates**

October, 2020 -

December, 2025

#### **Species**

**Common Name** 

White Clams

**Scientific Name** 

Dosinia ponderosa

#### **Gear Type**

Diver-Caught

#### Location

#### **FAO Major Fishing Area**

Area 77 (Pacific, Eastern Central)

#### **Exclusive Economic Zones**

#### Country

Mexico

# **Geographic Scope**

Northern Gulf of California

# **Estimated Total FIP Landings**

28 metric tons

# **FIP Leads**

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