

## Ecuador mahi-mahi - longline (ASOAMAN)

## Overview

## FIP Description

The Ecuadorian producer sector is implementing a Fishery Improvement Project (FIP) for the Mahi-Mahi (*Coryphaena hippurus*) longline fishery. The following information describes the fishery and determines the Unit of Assessment (UoA). The UoA is defined by the target stock(s) combined with the fishing method/gear and practice (including vessel types) targeting that stock and any fleet, group of vessels, individual fishing operators, or other eligible fishers that are included in this assessment. In some fisheries, the UoA may be further defined in specific fishing seasons and/or areas.

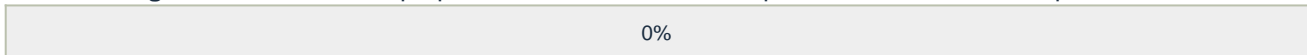
Target species (common and scientific names)	Mahi-Mahi, Dolphinfish ( <i>Coryphaena hippurus</i> )
Stock(s)	Location of FAO 87 fisheries within the Ecuadorian EEZ and beyond national jurisdiction
Fishing method or gear type	Surface longline
Management authority	Ministerio de Producción, Comercio Exterior, Inversiones y Pesca (MPCEIP)
Fishing fleet or group of vessels, or individuals fishing operators pursuing stock	ASOAMAN fleet composed of 68 motherships
Type and size of vessel	Fishing unit: Longline vessels with an average carrying capacity of 60 MT, 18-24 m in length. Also called mother vessels, followed by a maximum of 10 smaller vessels, each with its own hook line.

## How is this FIP Doing?

## Current Status:



**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
11%	67%	0%	22%

**Red Indicator Progress** This shows the proportion of actions specifically addressing red indicators that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started. This helps users understand the progress the FIP is making on the biggest challenges in the fishery.

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
14%	71%	0%	14%

#### FIP Progress Rating

B - Good Progress

#### FIP Objective(s)

The goal of the Ecuador Longline mahimahi FIP (ASOAMAN) is to mitigate the fishery impacts on ETP and other species and promote the development of a management plan for the fishery through a participatory and transparent process, to reach, for the fall of 2028, a minimum score of 80 for all the principles performance indicators for the MSC Standard.

#### Specific objectives:

- Promote the development of a periodic assessment of mahi-mahi stocks, by January, 2026.
- Establish a fishery monitoring and data collection program to support with inputs the stock assessment and the evaluation of impacts to biodiversity, by August, 2028.
- Develop a strategy to mitigate the fishery impacts on secondary and ETP species, by September, 2028.
- Promote the development and implementation of a harvest strategy and control rules for the fishery, by June, 2027.
- Promote regional coordination for the management of mahi mahi in the Eastern Pacific Ocean (EPO), by August, 2028.
- Promote studies to determine the impact of fishing on the ecosystem in order to implement mitigation measures, by August, 2028.

#### FIP Type

Comprehensive

#### FIP Stage

Stage 3: FIP Implementation

## Start and Projected End Dates

October, 2021 -  
December, 2028

## Species

### Common Name

Mahi-mahi

### Scientific Name

Coryphaena hippurus

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## Gear Type

[Longline](#)

## Location

### FAO Major Fishing Area

[Area 87 \(Pacific, Southeast\)](#)

### Exclusive Economic Zones

#### Country

Ecuador

#### Geographic Scope

In the Ecuador's EEZ and international waters. The vessels operate in the port of Manta.

#### Country Flag of Vessel

Ecuador

### Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO)

IATTC

#### High Seas Name

Pacific Ocean

## Estimated Total FIP Landings

3000 metric tons

## FIP Leads

**Organization Name**

Asociación de Producción Pesquera de Armadores de Manta (ASOAMAN)

**Organization Type**

Industry

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