

Mexico Magdalena Bay Pacific calico scallops - diver-caught

Overview

FIP Description

The project is making the California Bay scallop fishery more sustainable by aligning it with international fishery standards, including the FAO's Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries and the Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries. It is a rebuilt fishery on shallow beds only. The fishery is managed adaptively in the state of Baja California Sur, meaning scallops are harvested at a maximum sustainable yield under the authority of the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food (Secretaría de Agricultura, Ganadería, Desarrollo Rural, Pesca y Alimentación, SAGARPA). Surveys of scallop beds are conducted under the regional authority of INAPESCA's CRIP, but project participants contribute to the cost of the scientific surveys to inform real-time management and expand the data availability.

The closed season for this species begins on December 15 and ends on March 31. Its capture zone is the lagoon systems of the Baja California peninsula and the sandy and muddy bottoms of the intertidal zone. The minimum capture size is 56 mm in length of the largest diameter of the shell for: Lagunas Manuela, Guerrero Negro or Estero San José, Ojo de Liebre, San Ignacio, the channels and estuaries of Puerto Adolfo López Mateos and Ensenada de la Paz, while for the rest of the populations in Baja California is 60mm.

How is this FIP Doing?

Current Status:



% 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.

0%

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%	100%	0%	0%

FIP Objective(s)

The FIP will achieve the following by December 2023

- Review stock status relative to reference points annually or on a timeframe appropriate to the life history characteristics of the target species.
- Identify additional data needs and develop and implement research and data collection programs.
- Identify resource needs, challenges, and priorities to help improve enforcement.

FIP Type

Basic

FIP Stage

Stage 2: FIP Launch

Start and Projected End Dates

January, 2022 -
December, 2023

Species

Common Name

Pacific Calico Scallops

Scientific Name

Argopecten ventricosus

Gear Type

[Diver-Harvest](#)

Location

FAO Major Fishing Area

[Area 77 \(Pacific, Eastern Central\)](#)

Exclusive Economic Zones

Country

Mexico

Geographic Scope

Magdalena Bay, Baja California Sur, Mexico

Country Flag of Vessel

Mexico

Estimated Total FIP Landings

5443 metric tons

FIP Leads

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