

INACTIVE Mexico Magdalena Bay Pacific calico scallops - diver-caught

Overview

FIP Description

This hand-picked dive fishery for Baja scallops (almeja catarina) is becoming more sustainable by aligning with international fishery standards, including the standard of the Marine Stewardship Council, FAO's Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries, and the Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries. Each year, fishing scallops is prohibited on Magdalena Bay in Baja California Sur during the Winter ban (December 15 through March 31). Fishing is allowed only on shallow beds during opening periods decided by consensus, and under the authority of the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food (Secretaría de Agricultura, Ganadería, Desarrollo Rural, Pesca y Alimentación, SAGARPA) in consultation with area cooperativa and federacion license-holders. The FIP's role is to supplement the scientific surveys of scallop beds prior to each opening, under the regional authority of INAPESCA's CRIP. FIP hosts contribute drones and surveys to inform real-time management and expand the data availability.

The fishery area (capture zone) consists of the lagoon systems of the Baja California peninsula and the sandy and muddy bottoms of the intertidal zone. The minimum capture size for scallops is 56 mm in length in the Lagunas Manuela, Guerrero Negro or Estero San José, Ojo de Liebre, San Ignacio, and in 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:

11%

86%

4%

% 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.

96%

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
100%	0%	0%	0%

FIP Objective(s)

The FIP will assist making the following improvements in the fishery, by December 2023

1. The scientific management of scallops in Magdalena Bay.
2. Data needs and data collection programs.
3. Priorities to help improve enforcement.

FIP Type

Basic

FIP Stage

Stage 3: FIP Implementation

Start and Projected End Dates

January, 2022 -
December, 2026

Species

Common Name

Pacific Calico Scallops

Scientific Name

Argopecten ventricosus

Gear Type

Location

Exclusive Economic Zones

Country

Mexico

Geographic Scope

Magdalena Bay, Baja California Sur, Mexico

Country Flag of Vessel

Mexico

Estimated Total FIP Landings

100 metric tons

FIP Leads

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