

Mexico Yucatan red and black grouper - longline

Overview

FIP Description

Red grouper and black grouper are two of the main target species for the mixed demersal fishery in the Bank of Campeche, located to the north of the Yucatan Peninsula in the Gulf of Mexico. This seasonal fishery is of high social importance, given that more than 10 thousand families depend on it for their livelihood.

Currently, the red grouper stock is below its limit reference point, and there is much to do to improve management strategies to effectively regulate fishing effort and catch levels so that the species may recover. This project aims at achieving a certifiable status against the MSC standard by collaborating with governmental and private stakeholders to develop and implement a consistent recovery strategy (complete with effective data collection, monitoring and control), and an adequate research plan to close information gaps on the fishery and its interaction with other ecosystem components.

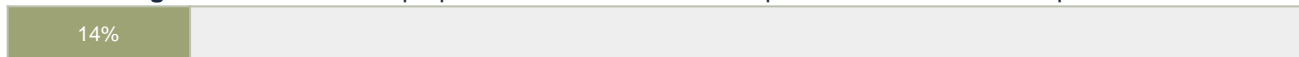
For more information on improvement activities, please visit: [CeDePesca's Mexican Grouper FIP Public report](#) (updated quarterly).

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.



43%

43%

14%

0%

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
43%	43%	14%	0%

FIP Objective(s)

- To have an adequate Management Plan adopted based on the best scientific information available by February 2020.
- To have a consistent recovery strategy adopted for the Mexican grouper stocks, including measures aimed at reducing fishing effort and setting catch quotas by February 2020.
- To help improve the fishing registry and the traceability of fishery production by February 2020.
- To help define an adequate Research Plan that includes data collection on target and non-target species, and on the impact of the fishery on other ecosystem components by February 2020.
- To help establish participatory mechanisms that allow fishery stakeholders to participate in both data collection activities and the assessment of the Management Plan's performance by February 2020.
- To achieve an MSC certifiable status and enter into an MSC full-assessment process in March 2020.

FIP Type

Comprehensive

FIP Stage

Stage 5: Improvements on the Water

Start and Projected End Dates

April, 2014 -

March, 2021

Species

Common Name

Black Grouper

Scientific Name

Mycteroperca bonaci

Additional Names

Negrillo, mero mexicano

Common Name

Red Grouper

Scientific Name

Epinephelus morio

Additional Names

Mero rojo, mero mexicano

Gear Type

[Bottom Longline](#)

Location**FAO Major Fishing Area**

[Area 31 \(Atlantic, Western Central\)](#)

Exclusive Economic Zones**Country**

Mexico

Geographic Scope

Campeche Bank, Yucatan

Estimated Total FIP Landings

2500 metric tons

FIP Leads**Organization Name**

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