

# INACTIVE Mexico Bahia de Los Angeles octopus - trap/diver-caught/hand gathered

## Overview

### FIP Description

An octopus FIP is being carried out in the Gulf of California, Mexico with the main objective of making the fishery sustainable. This fishery covers the region known as Bahia de Los Angeles (BLA), inside natural protected areas. The octopus fishery is the most important for the local community and the fishermen have traditionally caught the octopus by gleaning, free diving and using traps. The catch of octopus in BLA represents the 90% of the total octopus catch in Baja California State and it is a fishery with high value and great potential for commercialization.

Update September 2021: This progress report corresponds to the results of the new version of the Octopus FIP workplan which arose from a participatory process for the review and adjustment of the workplan that has been implemented since 2018. Said adjustments are due to the identification of actions and tasks that presented a null or insignificant advance for the improvement of the octopus fishery due to limitations of some actors to finance, participate, manage or implement the original Work Plan.

Based on the above, during the months of October to December 2020, a constant prioritization exercise of seven actions was carried out: (1) Evaluate the octopus size structure during the fishing season, (2) Maintain a program of basic monitoring that supports the competent authority with assessments and management of the fishery, (3) Monitoring of secondary species in the octopus fishery, (4) Monitoring of ETP species in the octopus fishery, (5) Implement measures to ensure compliance with the ban, (6) Implement a process to improve product quality, and finally, (7) Implement the FIP social responsibility policy.

Actualización septiembre 2021: El presente informe corresponde a los resultados de la nueva versión del plan de trabajo del FIP de Pulpo y surge de un proceso participativo para la revisión y ajuste del Plan de Trabajo vigente desde el 2018. Dichos ajustes se deben a la identificación de acciones y tareas que presentaron un avance nulo o poco significativo para el mejoramiento de la pesquería de pulpo debido a limitaciones de algunos actores para financiar, participar, gestionar o atender el Plan de Trabajo original.

Con base en lo anterior, durante los meses de octubre a diciembre de 2020 se realizó un ejercicio constante de priorización de siete acciones a realizar: (1) Evaluar la estructura de tallas de pulpo durante la temporada de

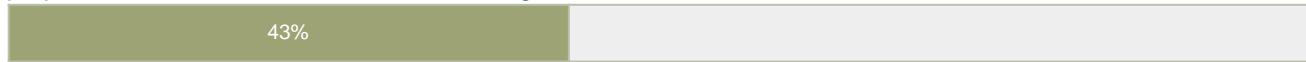
pesca, (2) Mantener un programa de monitoreo básico que apoye a la autoridad competente con las evaluaciones y el manejo de la pesquería, (3) Monitoreo de especies secundarias en la pesquería de pulpo, (4) Monitoreo de especies ETP en la pesquería de pulpo, (5) Implementar medidas para asegurar el cumplimiento de la veda, (6) Implementar un proceso para mejorar la calidad del producto, y finalmente, (7) Implementar la política de responsabilidad social del FIP.

## 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.



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

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
94%	0%	6%	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
100%	0%	0%	0%

### FIP Objective(s)

By the project's target end date, the FIP hopes to achieve the following:

- To assess the size octopus structure in order to improve the management for the octopus fishery by March 2023
- To maintain a basic information system for the management of the octopus fishery by March 2023
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- To apply management strategies and comply with local regulations and agreements for the management of the octopus fishery by March 2023
- To improve strategies for increasing quality controls during production and processing by March 2023
- To provide added value and open new marketing channels by March 2023

**FIP Type**

Basic

**FIP Stage**

Stage 4: Improvements in Fishing Practices or Fishery Management

**Start and Projected End Dates**

April, 2021 -

March, 2023

**Species****Common Name**

California Two-Spot Octopus

**Scientific Name**

Octopus bimaculatus

**Common Name**

Hubb's Octopus

**Scientific Name**

Octopus hubbsorum

**Gear Type**

Diver-Caught

Hand Gathered

Pot/Trap

**Location****FAO Major Fishing Area**

Area 77 (Pacific, Eastern Central)

**Exclusive Economic Zones**

**Country**

Mexico

**Geographic Scope**

Gulf of California

**Estimated Total FIP Landings**

23 metric tons

**FIP Leads****Organization Name**

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**Organization Type**

NGO

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