GENDER PRINCIPLE 3: VALIDATING AND UTILIZING DIFFERENT CAPACITIES AND KNOWLEDGE OF WOMEN AND MEN

Participatory Coastal-Marine Spatial Planning in the Puerto Peñasco - Puerto Lobos Biological and Fisheries Corridor, Sonora – Mexico

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THE UPPER GULF OF CALIFORNIA AND CEDO
KEY GENDER-RELATED OUTPUTS AND OUTCOMES OF THE CMSP PROGRAM

Technically sound proposals were developed for the integrated management of coastal fisheries in the **Puerto Peñasco-Puerto Lobos Corridor** with the consensus of 75% of the fisher households and presented to the government for implementation.

These proposals included tools for regularizing the fishing effort, establishing a network of fishery refuge zones, defining exclusive local areas for managing benthic species and setting of catch quotas for vulnerable species.
The proposals were validated by artisanal fisher communities, wetland users, sport fishers, CEDO’s technical group and participating authorities.
Area-based fishery management tools: Groups are granted exclusive fishing rights for one or more marine species in a specified area.

- Regulation of Fisheries Effort
- Quotas
- Locally Managed Areas
- Fisheries Refuges

Locally Managed Areas

Coastal communities:
- Puerto Peñasco
- Bahía San Jorge
- Punta Jagüey
- Santo Tomás
- Desemboque de Caborca
- Puerto Lobos
PROJECT STRUCTURE

IFG
Coastal Fishers Intercommunity Group

Federal Government

State Government

Municipal Government

Science Advisory Group

Management Committee

TG
Technical Group

Marketers

Fishers

NGOs
2758 women and men, who were previously excluded from coastal and marine planning and permitting processes, participated in 46 trainings and 116 workshops on the CMSP program and elected representatives to the Intercommunity Fishers Groups (IFG).
Formation of an Intercommunity Fishers Groups (IFG) with 45 representatives, including 8 women leaders, to represent the diverse small scale fisheries in all regional planning processes of the CMSP.
Formation of **9 cooperatives** (with **80 men** and **38 women** members) from five coastal wetlands to address the needs of artisanal fishers in the context of oyster aquaculture and wetland conservation.
Formation of the first women-led federation in Mexico, from the Desemboque community, representing seven fishing cooperatives. The members secured fishing permits for women fishers and were elected as representatives of the IFG.
Through the process, both women and men from small-scale, “traditional,” and artisanal fisheries acquired official fishing permits, including 16 permits for women fishers, which strengthened their fishing tenure rights, reduced social-spatial conflicts, and increased local stewardship for 11 small-scale fisheries.
CONTEXT OF INTERVENTION-GEOGRAPHIC, SOCIO-ECONOMIC, GENDER, GOVERNANCE
PUERTO PEÑASCO - PUERTO LOBOS CORRIDOR

ARTISANAL FISHING, AN IMPORTANT ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITY IN THE GULF OF CALIFORNIA

Mujeres ostioneras del Estero Morúa. Archivo CEDO.
WOMEN CATALYZING INCLUSIVE BOTTOM-UP PLANNING PROCESS TO REDUCE EXISTING SOCIAL CONFLICTS
Algunos aspectos del proceso de socialización y difusión del Corredor. Archivo CEDO.
LESSONS LEARNED

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