

## Information note on field trips

COFI Sub-Committee on Aquaculture  
Twelfth Session  
16-19 May 2023  
Hermosillo, Mexico

Registered delegates are invited to participate in a field trip on the morning of Friday 19 May, organized by the host organization CONAPESCA, to experience Mexican aquaculture in Sonora state. Participants may choose one of the two possible field trips described below.

Participation in field trips is optional. Interpretation services only English-Spanish will be provided in both field trips.

To participate, please confirm your interest and your preferred choice of field trips in writing to CONAPESCA using the following email address:

[fieldtripsca@gmail.com](mailto:fieldtripsca@gmail.com)

- Date: Friday 19 May
- Time: 08:00 – 13:00
- Pick up location: Lobby of the Hotel Fiesta Americana Hermosillo (COFI:AQ meeting venue)
- Duration: 4 hours and 30 minutes (approximately)

| <b>OPTION</b> | <b>FIELD VISIT LOCATION</b>   | <b>LOCAL INSTITUTIONS INVOLVED</b>   |
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| 1             | Reproductive Center of Marine Species of Sonora State<br><br>Centro Reprodutor de Especies Marinas del estado de Sonora | National Commission for Aquaculture and Fisheries (CONAPESCA) and Government of Sonora State |
| 2             | Pearl farming private company<br><br>Perlas del Mar de Cortez   | National Commission for Aquaculture and Fisheries (CONAPESCA)<br>Perlas del Mar de Cortez    |

## **FIELD VISIT DETAILS**

### **FIELD VISIT 1**

**LOCATION:** Reproductive Center of Marine Species of the Sonora state, Kino Nuevo (28.874816, -112.030699).

**Organizers:**

- National Commission for Aquaculture and Fisheries (CONAPESCA)
- Government of Sonora State

**Objective of the field visit:** Tour of the different production areas and facilities for marine finfish and shellfish of the Reproductive Center of Marine Species of Sonora State.

**Officer in charge of the field visit:** marine center technical officer Dr. Ramon Nenninger.

**Agenda of the field visit:**

- Transport to marine center facilities from the hotel venue
- Introduction to the marine center: history, objectives of the center, targeted marine commodities, current activities and projects, and future trends
- Visit tour of the marine shellfish production facilities
- Visit tour of the marine finfish production facilities
- Transport from the marine center back to the hotel venue

**Duration of the field visit:** 4 hours and 30 minutes (approximately)

**Additional information and special requirements:** transportation to the production center, lunch/refreshments, and English interpretation will be provided by CONAPESCA.

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### **FIELD TRIP 2**

**LOCATION:** Perlas del Mar de Cortez (a private Pearl oyster farming company, Guaymas, (27.909802, -110.951750))

#### **Organizers:**

- National Commission for Aquaculture and Fisheries (CONAPESCA).
- Pearl oyster farming private company (Perlas del Mar de Cortez).

**Objective of the field visit:** Visit tour of the different production areas and facilities of the Pearl oyster farming private company (Perlas del Mar de Cortez), with special emphasis on biotechnologies and farming systems.

**Person in charge of the field visit:** Pearl Oyster Farm technical manager Dr. Enrique Arizmendi.

#### **Agenda of the field visit:**

- Transport to the pearl oyster farm facilities from the hotel venue.
- Introduction to the pearl oyster farm: history, objectives of the farm, targeted commodities, current activities, and future trends.
- Visit tour of the pearl oyster farming facilities and production sites.
- Transport from the pearl oyster farm back to the hotel venue.

**Duration of the field visit:** 4 hours and 30 minutes (approximately).

**Additional information and special requirements:** transportation to the production center, lunch/refreshments, and English interpretation will be provided by CONAPESCA.