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Use of MSP for Integrated Coastal Zone Management and Biodiversity Protections in Belize

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Who We Are



INSTITUTIONAL VISION STATEMENT

To be a global Centre of Excellence in sustainable Coastal Zone Management

INSTITUTIONAL MISSION STATEMENT

To lead the sustainable use and planned development of Belize's coastal zone









THE VISION FOR OUR COAST



A sustainable future where healthy ecosystems support, and are supported by, thriving local communities and a vibrant economy





Current human uses of the coastal zone





- 1. Fishing
- 5. Marine Recreation
- 2. Marine Transportation
- 6. Dredging

- 3. Coastal Development
- 7. Agricultural Runoff
- 4. Agriculture
- 8. Human Settlements





Integrated Coastal Zone Management



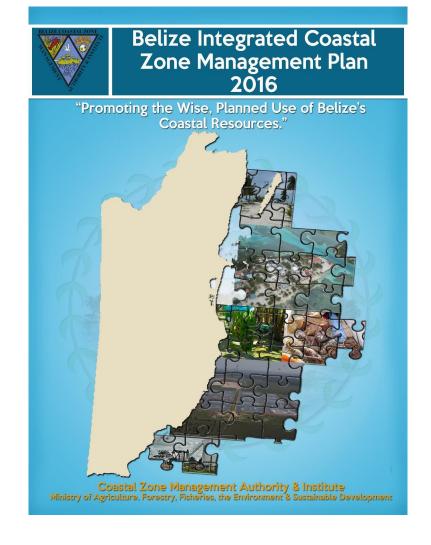






Vehicle for ICZM in Belize



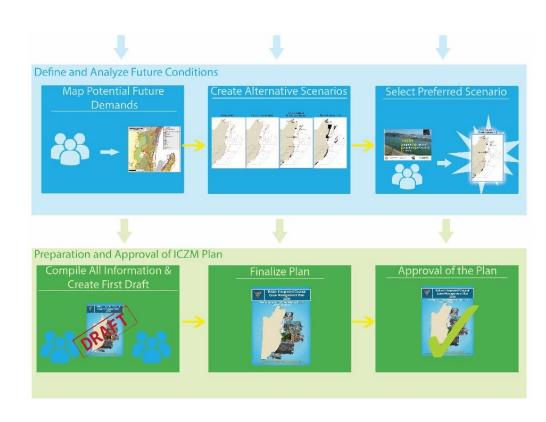












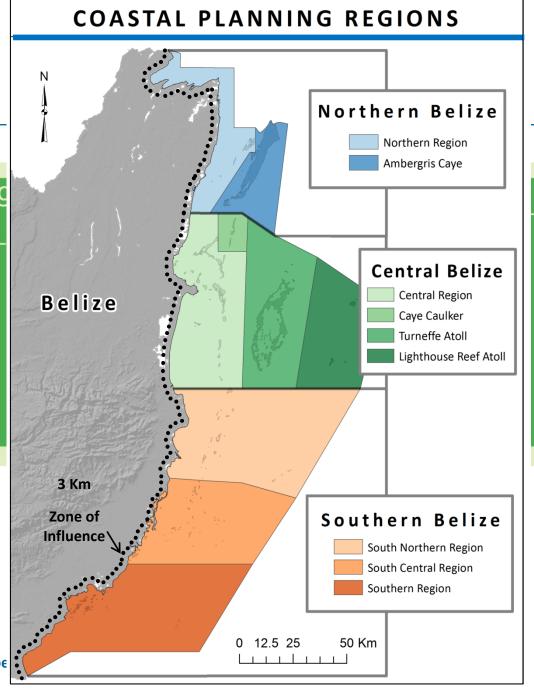




Create Baseline with Existing Information Marie product and recorded and recorded

- CZMAI utilized existing plans, strategies, acts, etc.
- Extracted information used to identify management gaps and to shape framework for human use zone implementation.

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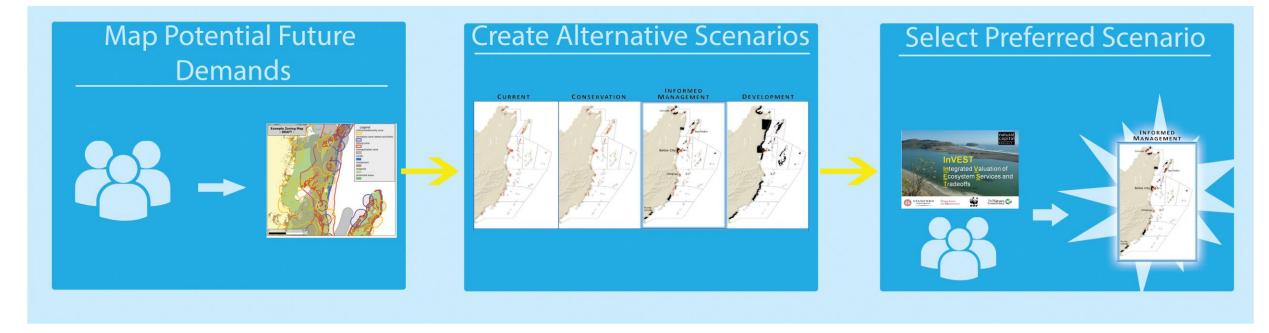


 Using baseline and stakeholder inputs several human use zones were created.







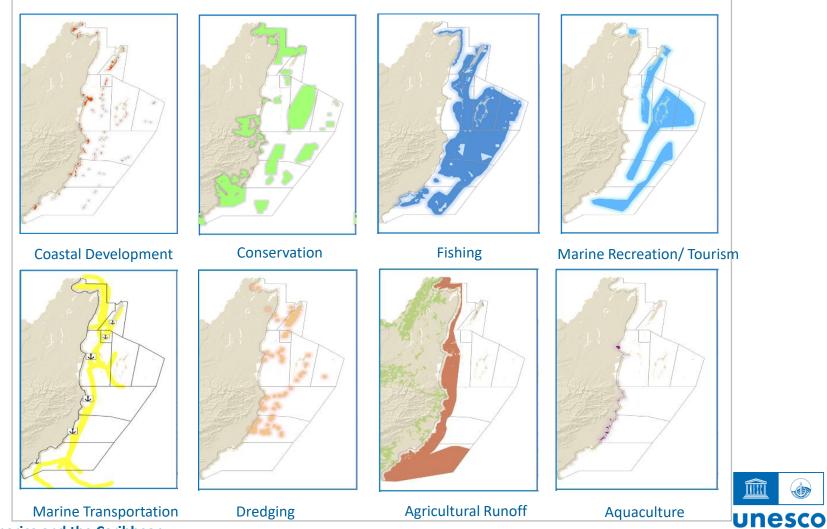


 Using the "Current" baseline, stakeholders anticipated where activities would take place in the future. Potential futures were investigated under three future scenarios;
 Conservation, Development, and Informed Management.





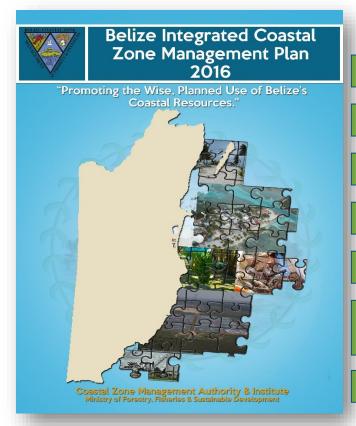




ICZM Plan: What is included



Volume: 1 Volume: 2



Preface

Introduction

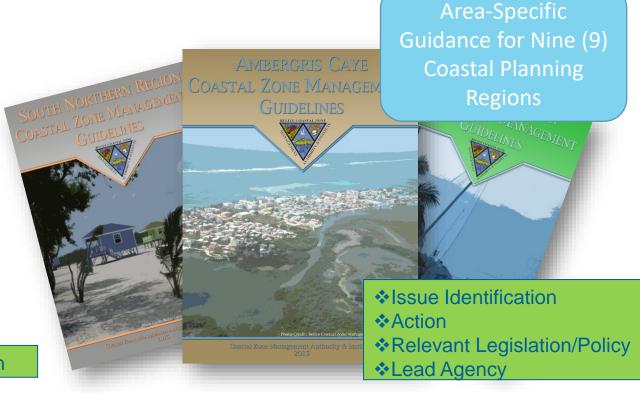
Overview of ICZM Plan

Value of the Coastal Zone

Issues for National Action

Strategic Objectives (THE FRAMEWORK)

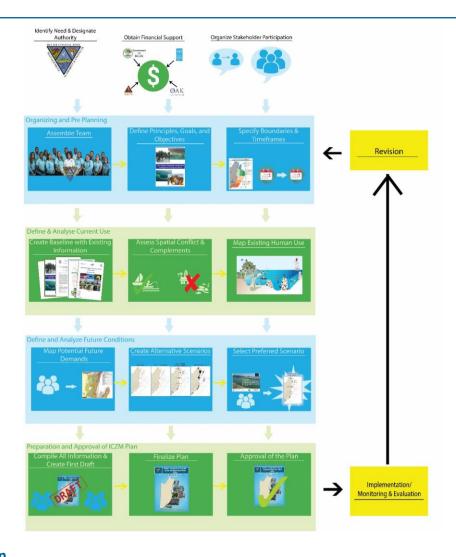
Implementation & Action Plan















Belize Sustainable Ocean Plan









Future Work





NEWSROOM

The Government of Belize partners with The Nature Conservancy to Conserve 30% of its Ocean Through Debt Conversion

Innovative project is part of groundbreaking, global plan to fund ocean conservation while providing fiscal and economic benefits for coastal nations







BSOP shall:



1. Expand the percentage of biodiversity protection zones from 15.9% to up to 30% of Belize's ocean space or the % stated in the MSP, whichever is the lower

*(at least 15% as High Protection Biodiversity Zones and 15% Medium Protection Biodiversity Zones)

- 2. Denote, in reasonable detail, all the permissible activities that may be lawfully carried out in any part of Belize's Ocean
- 3. Make provision for Gazetting of all Biodiversity Protection Zones and submit to relevant international authorities
- 4. Contain an Implementation Plan
- 5. Be legally enforceable and implemented





BSOP

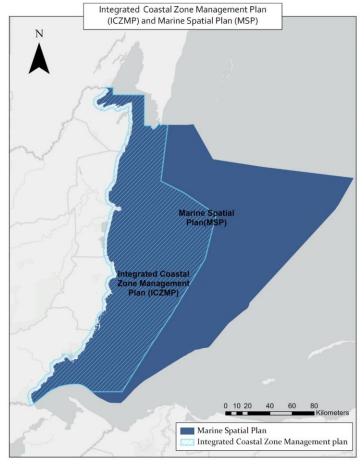


Belize ICZM Plan 2016

- Focused on existing uses
- Prioritized safeguarding delivery of ecosystem services
- Scope: Territorial seas

Belize Marine Spatial Plan

- Will focus on existing and emerging uses
- Will prioritize strengthening biodiversity protection
- Scope: Internal coastal/marine waters, Territorial seas and the Exclusive Economic Zone.







Governance Structure



Governance Framework for Belize MSP Process









Stakeholder Engagement

Community Meetings
Consultations
Focus Groups
Forums
Open Houses
Website



Government of Belize

MSP Lead Agency: Coastal Zone Management Authority and Institute

Executive Committee

Chair: CEO Office of the Prime Minister

Members: Ministry of Blue Economy & Civil Aviation; Ministry of Sustainable Development, Climate Change & Disaster Management; Ministry of Natural Resources; Attorney General's Ministry; and the Financial Secretary



Development Level for Decision-Making

MSP Steering Committee (SC)

Chair: Coastal Zone Management Authority and Institute
Members: Senior level government officers, non-governmental stakeholders from
sectors/areas including fisheries, coastal zone management, tourism, water
resources, shipping, environment, finance, academia and energy

MSP Core Team

Blue Bonds & Finance Permanence Unit, Coastal Zone Management Authority and Institute, Fisheries Department, Ministry of Blue Economy and Civil Aviation, The Nature Conservancy (Belize program and Global team)





Technical Advisory Groups

Technical Working Groups

Energy

Finance and Investment
Fisheries and Aquaculture
Marine and Coastal Development
Marine and Coastal Ecosystems
Maritime Administration
Tourism





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