

SEMARNAT

SECRETARÍA DE
MEDIO AMBIENTE
Y RECURSOS NATURALES



***SITUATION OF THE MORELET'S CROCODILE (*Crocodylus moreletii*)
SINCE ITS ELIMINATION FROM THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT (ESA)
AND ITS REMOVAL OF APPENDIX I TO APPENDIX II OF THE CITES***





THE REMOVAL OF THE MORELET'S CROCODILE OF THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT (ESA) AND THE CHANGE FROM APPENDIX I TO APPENDIX II OF THE CITES HAS GENERATED SIGNIFICANT AND POSITIVE EXPECTATIONS FOR THE SPECIE IN MEXICO, BOTH FOR CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT, AS WELL AS MOTIVATION TO CONTINUE WORKING FOR THE SPECIES.

BECOMES IMPORTANT AND STRENGTHENS THE GOVERNMENT, ACADEMIC AND CIVIL ADMINISTRATION, WHEN ADVANCES ARE BASED ON JOINT EFFORTS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT, THE SCIENTIFIC AND ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS, THE PRODUCERS AND THE CIVIL SOCIETY



WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE TRILATERAL COMMITTEE WE CONSIDER VERY IMPORTANT TO REPORT THE BENEFITS OF THESE CHANGES AND IDENTIFY OTHER COLLABORATION MECHANISMS THAT CAN BE USED TO FURTHER PROGRESS IN THE CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL POPULATIONS OF THE SPECIES, BASED ON THE PRINCIPLES OF CONSENSUS OF THIS THREE NORTH AMERICA NATIONS COMMITTEE.

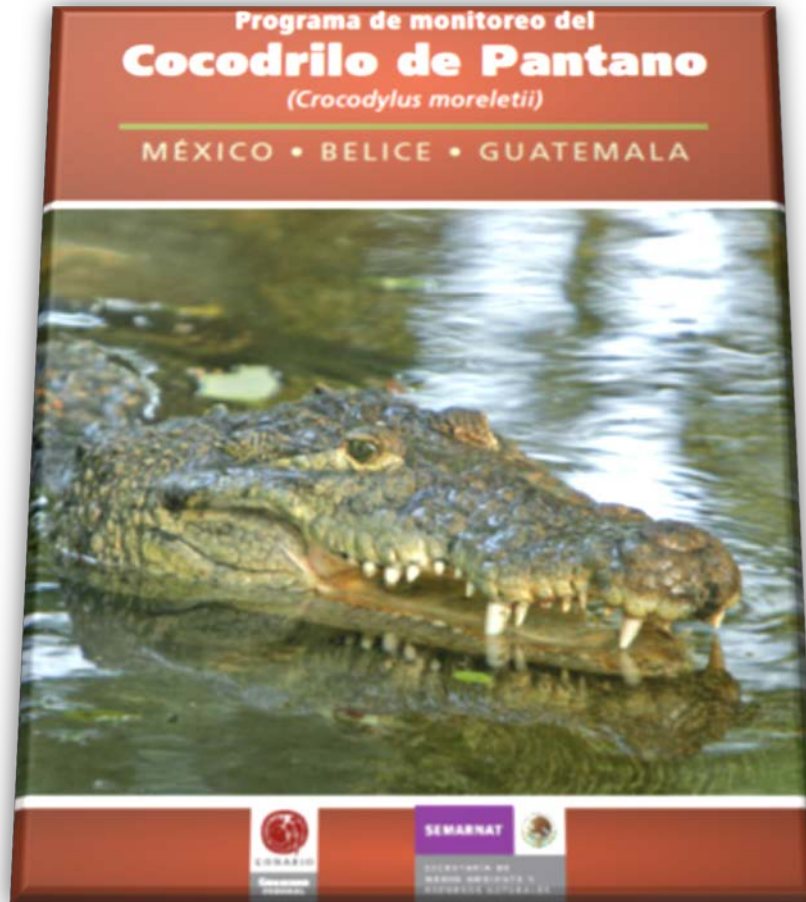


- IN 1970, THE TOTAL AND PERMANENT PROHIBITION OF MORELET'S CROCODILE WAS ESTABLISHED IN MEXICO, DUE TO INTENSE HUNTING AND NOT REGULATED TRADE OF THEIR SKIN.
- IN 1970 THE SPECIES WAS LISTED IN THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT (ESA) OF THE US.
- IN 1975 IT WAS INCLUDED IN THE APPENDIX I OF THE CITES
- IN 1982 WAS INCLUDED IN THE IUCN RED LIST
- INCLUDED AS "RARE" IN NOM-059-ECOL-1994 (MEXICO)
- SUBJECT TO SPECIAL PROTECTION IN THE NOM-059-SEMARNAT-2010
- IN 2010 THE POPULATIONS OF MEXICO AND BELIZE WERE TRANSFERRED TO THE APPENDIX II OF THE CITES, WITH ZERO QUOTA FOR WILD SPECIMENS
- IN 2012 NO LONGER APPEARS IN THE ESA
- SINCE 2012 IT IS CONSIDERED AS A LEAST CONCERN SPECIES IN THE IUCN RED LIST

CoPAN PROJECT, 2006

STUDIES CONDUCTED BETWEEN 2000 AND 2004 ESTIMATED THE EXISTENCE OF ALMOST 80 THOUSAND ANIMALS IN MEXICO.





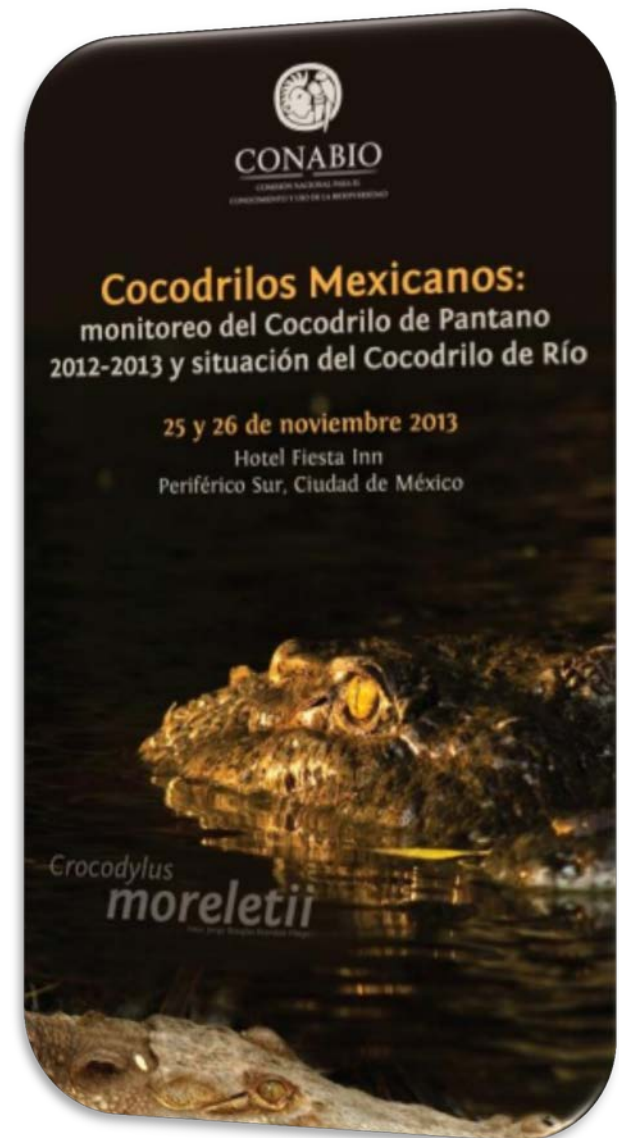
MONITORING PROGRAM OF MORELET'S CROCODILE

BELIZE AND GUATEMALA, COORDINATED BY MEXICO THROUGH THE CONABIO AND THE COLLABORATION OF THE GENERAL DIRECTION OF WILDLIFE, PARTICIPATED IN A WORKSHOP FOR THE DESIGN OF THE MONITORING PROGRAM OF THE SPECIES (MEXICO CITY, 2010).

Monitoring Program of the Morelet's Crocodile

IN 2011 MEXICO STARTED THIS PROGRAM WITH BELIZE AND GUATEMALA, COORDINATED BY CONABIO.

IN 2012 THE RATIFICATION THAT POPULATIONS ARE STABLE (AS REPORTED IN 2000 AND 2004) AND IN GOOD HEALTH IS MADE.





**TALLER DE FOMENTO PARA LA CONSERVACIÓN Y
APROVECHAMIENTO SUSTENTABLE DE LOS
COCODRILOS EN MÉXICO**



Francisco-Toledo, -2008!

DIRECCIÓN GENERAL DE VIDA SILVESTRE
SEMARNAT

DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP FOR CONSERVATION AND USTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF THE COCODRILES IN MEXICO

THE DIRECCION GENERAL DE VIDA SILVESTRE HAS ORGANIZED 3 BUILDING WORKSHOPS FOR THE CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF CROCODILES IN MEXICO, FOCUSED TO OWNERS AND TECHNICIANS OF THE UMA AND FOR PEOPLE INVOLVED WITH EDUCATIONAL AND EXHIBITION ACTIVITIES WITH CROCODILES (CIUDAD DEL CARMEN, CAMPECHE., 2010 AND 2013, PALENQUE, CHIS., 2012)

NATIONAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM UNITS (SUMA)

IN 2013 THERE WERE 90 CROCODILE UMA REGISTERED IN 22 MEXICAN STATES, INCLUDING: *Crocodylus moreletii*, *Crocodylus acutus* AND *Caiman crocodylus*, MOSTLY WITH EXHIBITION PURPOSES.



THERE ARE 14 UMA POTENTIALLY PRODUCTIVE FOR CROCODILE SKINS FOR EXPORTATION. CURRENTLY, ONLY THE FIRST 4 PRODUCE AND EXPORT

NOMBRE DE LA UMA	CLAVE DE REGISTRO	ESTADO
COCODRILOS MEXICANOS, S.A. DE C.V.	INE/CITES/DFYFS-CR-IN-0069-SIN./99	Sinaloa
PUNTA DEL ESTE	SEMARNAT-UMA-IN-00011-CAMP	Campeche
COCODRILOS DE PALIZADA	SEMARNAT-UMA-IN-00019-CAMP	Campeche
CACAHUATAL	INE/CITES/DGVS-CR-IN-0434-VER/99	Veracruz
CAIMANES Y COCODRILOS DE CHIAPAS (CAICROCHIS)	INE/CITES/DFYFS-CR-IN-0054-CHIS./03	Chiapas
COCODRILOS DEL SUR	DGVS-CR-IN-1328-Q.ROO/11	Quintana Roo
INDUSTRIAS MORELETII	INE/CITES/DFYFS-CR-IN-0016-TAB./01	Tabasco
SAN FERNANDO	INE/CITES/DGVS-CR-IN-0569-TAB./99	Tabasco
LOS CUATRO SEÑORES	INE/CITES/DGVS-CR-IN-0713-TAMPS./01	Tamaulipas
COCOCANEK	CEVS-UMA-IN-0144-TAM	Tamaulipas
EL SOLITO	INE/CITES/DGVS-CR-IN-0627-VER./00	Veracruz
COCODRILOS DE RIO LAGARTOS	SEMARNAT-UMA-IN-0227-YUC/12	Yucatán

CONTRIBUTION OF THE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM TO THE SUMA IN 2010 AND 2013

IN 4 YEARS THIS PROGRAM HAS SUPPORTED 41 CROCODILE PROJECTS (3 SPECIES); WITH THE AIM OF PROMOTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF UMA FOR SKINS PRODUCTION FOR EXPORTATION; THE UMA WITH OTHER ACTIVITIES SUCH AS ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND ECOTOURISM THAT CONTRIBUTE TO THE CONSERVATION OF THESE REPTILES ARE ALSO SUPPORTED.

ESTADO	Municipios Apoyados	PROYECROS APOYADOS					POR ESTADO	ESPECIES MANEJADAS
		2010	2011	2012	2013			
Campeche	4	1	4	1	4	10	1. Caiman crocodylus fuscus 2. Crocodylus acutus 3. Crocodylus moreletii 4. Sin especificar	
Chiapas	5	1	1	2	3	7		
Colima	1	1	0	0	0	1		
Guerrero	1	0	0	1	0	1		
Jalisco	2	0	2	0	0	2		
Michoacán	2	2	0	1	0	3		
Nayarit	1	0	1	0	0	1		
Oaxaca	2	1	0	1	0	2		
Quintana Roo	1	0	1	0	0	1		
Sinaloa	1	0	1	0	0	1		
Tabasco	3	1	0	0	2	3		
Tamaulipas	1	0	1	0	0	1		
Veracruz	2	0	1	1	0	2		
Yucatán	4	5	1	0	0	6		
14 Estados	30	12	13	7	9	41	3 especies	

PUBLICATIONS

By 2014 we expect the following publications by semarnat:

PLAN DE MANEJO TIPO PARA LA CONSERVACIÓN,
MANEJO Y APROVECHAMIENTO SUSTENTABLE DEL
COCODRILO DE PANTANO (*Crocodylus moreletii*) EN MÉXICO



PROTOCOLO NACIONAL DE ATENCIÓN A
CONFLICTOS CON COCODRILOS EN MÉXICO



Benefits:

- Morelet's crocodile recovery by restrictive and regulatory policies, reestablishing a good population status.
- Reclassification of the risk status of the species
- Opening of the US marketing for crocodile skins
- Local population have alternative sustainable productions
- Encouragement of investment in crocodiles' conservation based on a fair and sustainable trade.
- The price of the skin was improved
- Crocodile products obtained from a sustainable production

Thank you! Merci! Gracias!

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