After all the success in 2019, we face new challenges in 2020

The mystery of Espíritu Santo National Park: The most beautiful spot at all the Sea

Formed in 1993, SeaWatch is confronting the rapidly declining fish populations in the Sea of Cortez.

In 2000, SeaWatch petitioned for changes in federal fishing laws and launched Red de Observadores Ciudadanos (ROC), a citizen-driven nonprofit organization whose mission is to stop illegal fishing in Espíritu Santo National Park and monitor illegal activities in the Bay of La Paz.

And in 2016, SeaWatch launched the grassroots campaign “Espíritu Santo es parte de ti” (Espíritu Santo is part of you) to build public pride and advocacy for Espíritu Santo National Park near La Paz.

In 2018, the International Union for the Conservation of Nature recognized Espíritu Santo as one of the best-managed protected areas in Mexico, the first ever such award in Mexico.

In late 2019, the Federal government dramatically downsized CONAPESCA.

Due to corruption and budget reductions, Mexico’s new government has decided to reduce the number of Federal fish and Game inspectors (CONAPESCA) in Baja California Sur from 16 to 1. That’s over 90%.

Plus ROC’s success as Espíritu Santo in stopping illegal fishing has driven the illegal fishermen south towards Bahía Los Sauces and Cabo Pulmo National Park.

This makes ROC’s citizen driven vigilance more important than ever!

ROC will expand its vigilance to cover 58 miles of coastline between Espíritu Santo and Cabo Pulmo National Parks.

In response to the lack of government inspectors and movement of illegal fishermen, ROC will reduce its efforts with two new 26 foot patrol boats with a new base of operation in Bahía Los Sauces. Click here to reach ROC VIGIL.

Espíritu Santo es parte de ti is seeking federal protection for parrotfish.

In addition to expanding the market awareness of not self-harvesting parrotfish, the campaign will focus its efforts with our new coalition to secure legal protection for parrotfish to give this critical reef fish federal protection by law.

Your donations to SeaWatch go directly to support the Espíritu Santo es parte de ti campaign and the successful vigilance efforts of Red de Observadores Ciudadanos (ROC).

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