

# AGREEMENT ON THE INTERNATIONAL DOLPHIN CONSERVATION PROGRAM

## 17<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE PARTIES

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#### AIDCP BUDGET

##### 1. INTRODUCTION

This document presents the actual costs, in US dollars (\$), for 2006, expected budget for 2007 and proposed budget for 2008 to support all costs related to the AIDCP.

The 2003 Resolution on financing the AIDCP ([A-03-01](#)) introduced several measures to increase revenue to balance the budget: estimates of vessel well volume, using a multiple of carrying capacity, until the well volumes of all vessels were measured; and assessments for small and inactive purse-seine vessels that are included on the IATTC Regional Vessel Register. The resolution also established payment deadlines for all vessels; if these are not met, a surcharge of 10% of the outstanding assessment is applied.

The 2005 Resolution on financing the AIDCP ([A-05-01](#)) raised the vessel assessment rate for 2006 from \$12.552 to \$14.184 per cubic meter of well volume. However, it also provided that the assessments of those vessels whose well volume had been verified should be based on that verified well volume rather than the estimated well volume, which was generally larger.

The 2006 Resolution on financing the AIDCP ([A-06-01](#)) raised the vessel assessment rate for 2007 from \$14.184 to \$14.95 per cubic meter of well volume.

During 2006 the Panamanian national program increased its coverage rate, Nicaragua initiated its national program, both of which reduced revenue and, to a lesser extent, costs.

Table 1 shows costs and revenues for 2006 (actual) and 2007-2008 (projected). 2007 revenue is based on actual assessments paid by vessels covered by the AIDCP (over 363 t capacity) plus surcharges both paid and outstanding as of 21 May 2007. The projected revenue for 2008 in Table 1 assumes that all payments are made on time, and projected expenditure incorporates a 3% increase for inflation in costs from the previous year. The projected revenue for 2008 was calculated based on the verified well volumes of the vessels in the IATTC Regional Vessel Register.

The actual revenue for 2006 differs from that reported to the 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Parties in October 2006 (Document MOP-16-05) because some assessments were received subsequent to that meeting. The projected 2007 revenue in Document MOP-15-08 also differs from the projected revenue in this paper, due to the elimination of assessments for vessels of less than 363 t and the introduction of the Nicaraguan national program, along with the increase in coverage by the Panamanian national program.

##### 2. CURRENT FINANCIAL SITUATION

Table 1 shows actual costs for the IDCP in 2006, and the projected costs and revenue forecast for 2007-2008. The estimate for 2008 assumes that inflation will increase general costs by 3% and salaries by 2.68%. The difference between the 2007 vessel assessments paid by 20 May 2007 and projected AIDCP expenditures is a deficit of \$55,596.

Table 2 shows the line item detail supporting the summary of projected IDCP expenses for 2007 presented in Table 1.

Table 3 shows details of the allocation of the Secretariat staff's time to the IDCP-related tasks they perform.

### 3. DEFICITS

The AIDCP budget was in deficit from 2002 to 2004, and again in 2006. The deficits for each year and the accumulated deficit are:

	US\$
2002	(221,640)
2003	(273,356)
2004	(107,215)
2005	146,762
2006	(74,044)
<b>Total</b>	<b>(529,493)</b>

The current budget anticipates an accumulated deficit at the end of 2007 of \$585,088.

### 4. CHANGES IN EXPENDITURE AND INCOME SINCE 2006

During 2006, the increased Panamanian national program coverage, along with the introduction of a new Nicaraguan national program, reduced the related vessel income but did not reduce anticipated expenses in the same proportion. This is because the fixed personnel costs associated with running the IDCP are not reduced by a decrease in the number of IATTC observer placements.

At the 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Parties in June 2003, charges for small (< 363 t) and inactive vessels and the late payment fee structure were introduced as a step in reducing budget deficits. In June 2006, the 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Parties eliminated the charges for small vessels. The revenue from inactive and small vessels and late charges in 2006 was \$98,164. As a partial offset to this change in financing, the 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Parties decided that the Secretariat would retain 100% of fees for late payments and for late charges and inactive vessels, effective immediately. To date, this change in policy has led to a decrease in revenue of \$62,452 in 2007, as reflected in Table 1.

The overall decrease in the 2006 deficit since the first forecast of \$177,554 given at the 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Parties, compared to the actual deficit of \$74,044, is \$103,510, reducing the current anticipated accumulated deficit at the end of 2007 to \$585,088.

TABLE 1. IDCP: Allocation of costs, 2006-2008

TABLA 1. PICD: Distribución de costos, 2006-2008

(\$)	2006		2007	2008
	(actual—reales)	See Table 2 Ver Tabla 2	(projected—proyectados)	
<b>COSTS-COSTOS:</b>				
<b>Covered at 70%-Cubiertos al 70%</b>				
Gross costs-Costos brutos:				
Observers (wages, travel, equipment, training) Observadores (sueldos, viajes, equipo, entrenamiento)	1,422,862	A	1,245,208	1,282,564
IATTC scientific staff (part) Personal científico de la CIAT (porción)	858,338	B	768,800	803,522
Observer Program direct costs (part) Costos directos del Programa de Observadores (porción)	282,811	C	290,927	299,655
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>2,564,011</b>		<b>2,304,935</b>	<b>2,385,742</b>
70% of/del subtotal	1,794,807		1,613,454	1,670,019
<b>Covered at 100%-Cubiertos al 100%</b>				
Net alignments (travel) Alineamientos de la red (viajes)	4,114	E	9,589	9,877
Seminars for captains and crew (travel) Cursos de entrenamiento para capitanes y tripulantes (viajes)	-	F	400	1,000
IATTC administrative staff (part) Personal administrativo de la CIAT (porción)	316,647	G	327,906	343,587
AIDCP direct costs Costos directos del APICD	10,065	H	2,991	18,150
Meetings of Parties and IRP (including staff travel) Reuniones de las Partes y del PIR (incluye viajes del personal)	22,512	I	60,154	61,959
Dolphin-safe certification Certificación <i>dolphin safe</i>	-	J	700	-
<b>TOTAL COSTS – TOTAL DE COSTOS</b>	<b>2,148,145</b>		<b>2,015,194</b>	<b>2,089,513</b>
<b>REVENUE-INGRESOS:</b>				
Total vessel assessments Total de cuotas de buques	1,979,796		1,927,746	1,927,746
Small and inactive vessel income Ingresos de buques pequeños e inactivos	94,305		31,853	
Net alignments Alineamientos de la red				
Dolphin safe certificates Certificados <i>dolphin safe</i>				
Captains seminars Cursos de entrenamiento				
<b>TOTAL REVENUE – TOTAL DE INGRESOS</b>	<b>2,074,101</b>		<b>1,959,599</b>	<b>1,927,746</b>
Surplus (deficit) – Superávit (déficit)	(74,044)		(55,595)	(161,767)

**TABLE 2. IDCP: Detailed expenses, 2007 (\$).**

**TABLA 2. PICD: Detalle de gastos, 2007 (\$).**

A	Observers Observadores	1,245,208	Travel—Viajes Salaries and benefits—Sueldos y prestaciones Equipment, forms, misc—Equipo, formularios, misc Training—Entrenamiento	50,384 1,166,022 16,445 12,357
C	Observer Program direct costs (part) Costos directos del Programa de Observadores (porción)	290,927	Rent & storage (exc. utilities)—Alquiler y almacenamiento (exc. servicios públicos) Telephone—Teléfono Internet services—Servicio de internet Utilities—Servicios públicos Materials & supplies—Materiales y pertrechos Furniture & equipment—Muebles y equipo Equipment repair & maintenance—Reparación y mantenimiento de equipo Postage—Franqueo Printing & reproduction—Imprenta y copiado Travel, Meals & entertainment—Viajes, Sustento y entretenimiento Vehicle (use and maintenance)—Vehículos (uso y mantenimiento). Contract labor—Mano de obra por contrato Contract labor (taxes)-- Mano de obra por contrato (impuestos) Legal & professional fees—Honorarios legales y profesionales Property insurance—Seguros de propiedad Vehicle insurance—Seguros de vehículos Tax, license, fees & permits—Impuestos, licencias, cuotas y permisos Vehicle & other capital purchase	13,552 11,856 1,292 4,446 6,803 85 670 10,658 786 19,664 14,423 158,773 10,594 16,456 690 7,102 1,097 11,980
B	IATTC scientific staff (part) Personal de sede de la CIAT (porción)	768,800		
G	IATTC administration staff (part) Administración CIAT (porción)	327,906	Gross wages—Sueldos brutos	852,346
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>1,096,706</b>	FICA taxes—Impuestos de seguro social Retirement plan—Plan de retiro Group insurance—Seguro colectivo	58,799 109,514 76,045
E	Travel related to net alignments Viajes relacionados con alineamientos de la red	9,589		
F	Travel related to seminars for captains and crew Viajes relacionados con cursos de entrenamiento para capitanes y tripulantes	400		
H	AIDCP direct costs Costos directos del APICD	2,991		
I	Travel related to Meetings of Parties and other AIDCP meetings Viajes relacionados con Reuniones de las Partes y otras del APICD	60,154		
J	Dolphin-safe certification Certificación dolphin safe	700		

**TABLE 3:** IATTC staff time dedicated to AIDCP activities.

**TABLA 3:** Tiempo del personal de la CIAT dedicado a actividades del APICD.

<b>B. Scientific staff (part) -- Personal científico (parte): \$736,502</b>			<b>%</b>
<b>Scientific staff</b> <b>Personal científico</b>	Chief Scientist Científico Principal	Meeting preparation and attendance – Reuniones: preparación y asistencia	10
		Captain seminars – Seminarios de capitanes	11
		Correspondence — Correspondencia	24
		Database reporting – Informes sobre bases de datos	5
		<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>
2 staff-personas	Statistical analyses of observer data – Análisis estadísticos de datos de observadores	5	
	Preparation of documents for meetings – Preparación de documentos para reuniones	4	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	
<b>Secretarial</b> <b>Secretaria</b>	1 staff-persona	Secretarial support—Apoyo de secretaría	<b>59</b>
<b>Observer and data management</b> <b>Manejo de observadores y datos</b>	12 staff-personas	Captain seminars – Seminarios de capitanes	1
		Trial sets – Lances de prueba	2
		Observer database maintenance and reporting – Mantenimiento de base de datos de observadores e informes	30
		Meeting preparation and attendance – Reuniones: preparación y asistencia	4
		Maintenance of tuna tracking and dolphin safe systems – Mantenimiento de sistemas de seguimiento de atún y <i>dolphin safe</i>	2
		Observer training, management, and field manual – Observadores: entrenamiento, manejo y manual	13
		Correspondence—Correspondencia	7
		Data entry – Captura de datos	14
		IRP database (captains, infractions) – Base de datos del PIR (capitanes, infracciones)	8
		<b>Total</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>G. Administrative staff -- Personal administrativo: \$333,780</b>			
<b>Director</b>			<b>28</b>
<b>Policy</b> <b>Política</b>	2 staff-personas	Correspondence--Correspondencia	18
		Meeting preparation and attendance – Reuniones: preparación y asistencia	12
		Preparation of minutes – Preparación de actas	7
		Dolphin Safe issues – Asuntos <i>dolphin safe</i>	5
		Miscellaneous, including implementation of resolutions (tuna tracking plans; non-party and other compliance issues; etc.) – Miscelánea, incluye instrumentación de resoluciones (planes de seguimiento de atún, cumplimiento por no partes y otras cuestiones de cumplimiento, etc)	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>47</b>		
<b>Computer support staff</b> <b>Personal de apoyo en informática</b>	3 staff-personas	Maintenance of computer hardware and operating system – Mantenimiento de computadores y sistema operativo	14
		Web site and illustrations – Sitio de internet y gráficas	7
		Database programming – Programación de bases de datos	8
		Others -- Otros	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>		
<b>Editing and translation</b> <b>Redacción y traducción</b>	2 staff-personas	Preparation of correspondence and documents – Preparación de correspondencia y documentos	<b>28</b>
<b>Support services not charged to the AIDCP – Servicios de apoyo no cobrados al APICD</b>			
<b>Accounting and personnel</b> <b>Contabilidad y personal</b>	2 staff-personas		
<b>Director's secretaries</b> <b>Secretarías del Director</b>	2 staff-personas		