



TRIP REPORT

June 13-20, 2009

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I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Baja Project team visited El Barril from June 13-20, 2009. This was the first solo trip for the first-year class: Annie Schowalter, Priscilla Venegas, and Greg Lestikow. As such, all three team members looked forward to taking charge of their respective projects, and to exploring new opportunities within the community. They also hoped to continue building personal relationships with community leaders, as well as other El Barril residents.

One principal objective of this trip was to continue the progress made on the drinking water project. The team, led by Annie, accomplished this objective through two principal actions. First, they disbursed the results of the water tests performed in April for the community well water, water from Guerrero Negro, and water from Rancho La Ilusión. These results showed that all three sources were safe for drinking, and that water from the community well was actually cleaner than water from the other two sources. Second, the team took advantage of their time in El Barril to enter the data from the water surveys performed on the prior trip. Former Baja Project member Shannon Pallone will use the information to complete the cost-benefit analysis of water usage for the community.

Team members were also happy to find that the women's jewelry cooperative had made significant progress since the April trip. The co-op has come up with several new designs, and the women sold their goods at Mr. Jameson's birthday party. They are also planning to sell them to travelers at the upcoming graduation party in El Barril. Priscilla spoke with the women about new markets, including the UCSD community and several tourist establishments between San Diego and El Barril. In addition, the team notified the cooperative that they would be buying a large amount of jewelry during the next trip, to be sold in turn at a Christmas fair organized by the Development Club at IR/PS.

Greg made some progress with both the fishing and aquaculture cooperatives. He was able to go shark fishing with the first group for one night, and observe their techniques. One former Baja Project member has called their shark fishing techniques "the most unsustainable practice in El Barril," and Greg plans to work with the cooperative to propose and implement more sustainable alternatives. The aquaculture cooperative received the environmental study from CONANP, which indicates that the project is environmentally and socially feasible. The cooperative's weaknesses lie in the overall organization, and the majority of the work done on this trip sought to stimulate the organizational progress, with the goal of submitting an application for governmental approval by September. In addition, a trip to Guerrero Negro yielded two potentially vital new contacts for the cooperative.

In regards to the community garden, the team began exploring alternative crops that might stimulate more interest in El Barril. The most notable plant is the nopal, a cactus used in many egg and meat dishes. The team established contact with a nopal farmer close to San Quintín, and will continue to pursue this option in the coming trips.

Finally, the team distributed scholarship applications to students graduating from the primary school, as well as several who are already pursuing their high school diploma. By the end of the trip, the team had selected the two most qualified candidates to receive the scholarships. As a next step, the team would like approval for this year's \$2000 scholarship budget. In addition, they would like to request an additional \$100 to be awarded to a standout student whose level of need does not justify a full scholarship award.

Overall, the June trip was a success. Team members made significant progress in each of the project areas. Perhaps more importantly, though, they obtained a clearer picture of the challenges that face each group, and began working in cooperation with them to find solutions.

II. INTRODUCTION & OBJECTIVES

The June 2009 trip was the first solo trip for the first year students, Priscilla Venegas, Annie Schowalter, and Greg Lestikow. The group planned to use the time to cement relationships they had begun building with community leaders, and to build on work done on prior trips in each of the project areas. In particular, the team set the following overarching goals for the trip:

- Divulge the results of the water sample tests from the El Barril community well, Guerrero Negro, and the well at Rancho La Ilusión
- Assess market potential for the women's jewelry cooperative, and offer marketing and product development advice
- Examine fishing methods utilized by the fishing cooperative, and begin strategizing to improve their processes
- Distribute scholarship applications and make award decisions to award two scholarships to students with connections to El Barril
- Develop the organizational structure of the aquaculture cooperative, and set project timeline goals
- Explore interest in the community garden, as well as crop alternatives that may be more appropriate for the El Barril environment (i.e., nopales)

III. ITINERARY

Saturday, 13 June

9:00 am: Team picks up rental car in San Diego

5:30 pm: Team arrives in El Rosario to stay for the night.

Sunday, 14 June

5:45 am: Team departs from El Rosario

3:00 pm: Team arrives in La Mancha. Talk briefly with Pancho about who is in town. Meet with Lino at the house.

6:00 pm: Annie and Greg go into town to distribute scholarship applications and new Baja Project brochures (see Appendix).

8:30 pm: Team shares dinner with Lino and his family, who are taking care of La Mancha in Luis's absence.

Monday, 15 June

9:00 am: Team goes to town. Priscilla works with jewelry cooperative, discussing design and manufacturing processes and future marketing ideas. Annie and Greg continue distributing scholarship applications and brochures.

10:30 am: Greg meets with Pancho to discuss aquaculture cooperative. The two set a meeting for Thursday morning.

4:30 pm: Team heads to La Mancha to drop Greg off for a night of shark fishing with the fishing cooperative. Annie and Priscilla finish dropping off scholarship applications and answering questions from potential applicants.

Tuesday, 16 June

9:00 am: Greg returns from shark fishing trip.

10:30 am: Priscilla goes to El Barril to continue work with jewelry cooperative.

11:00 am: Annie and Greg begin data input for water surveys from previous trip.

5:00 pm: Annie and Greg finish data input. Priscilla returns to El Barril to observe complete set of jewelry cooperative designs.

8:00 pm: Team has dinner with Lino's family, Jesús (CONANP) and Luis's son

Wednesday, 17 June

9:00 am: Team departs for Guerrero Negro

12:00 pm: Team arrives in Guerrero Negro. Meeting with the Director of CET del Mar, the high school where many barrileno students study (including the two current students with scholarships).

1:30 pm: Team runs various errands in Guerrero Negro, including making copies of aquaculture feasibility study and buying piñata for the upcoming graduation

3:00 pm: Greg meets with representative of Gomez Z. aquaculture cooperative.

4:00 pm: Team departs Guerrero Negro.

6:30 pm: Team arrives in El Barril. Annie and Greg visit homes where scholarship applications have already been dropped off.

Thursday, 18 June

8:00 am: Team visits primary school to play games with children

11:00 am: Greg holds meeting with aquaculture cooperative to discuss organization and leadership selection. Annie talks with parents of scholarship applicants, visits Rancho La Ilusión to present water test findings, and meets with Augustín about future water project actions.

Friday, 19 June

7:00 am: Team leaves El Barril.

10:00 am: Team picks up two applications from students in Guerrero Negro (Fernando and Johnny).

11:00 am: Team has lunch at La Espinita, a restaurant outside Guerrero Negro. The owner, Francisco, offers to help the Baja Project make local contacts for future projects (see Appendix II, New Contacts).

4:30 pm: Team stops in El Rosario at Mamá Espinosa's, a restaurant and souvenir shop. The manager agrees to display new jewelry co-op designs, and offers to buy more products in the future.

7:15 pm: Team arrives in San Quintín, where they stay for the night.

Saturday, 20 June

7:00 am: Team departs San Quintín.

9:00 am: Team stops to talk with Adrián Moreno, a nopales farmer about an hour north of San Quintín.

2:30 pm: Team arrives in San Diego.

IV. FINDINGS

A. Water Resources and Purification

Summary of prior progress:

In response to the observation that a majority of families purchase water in Guerrero Negro instead of using purified water from the community well, the Baja Project designed and implemented a water survey to analyze water use. We also tested the water from the well and Guerrero Negro.

Trip Objective: Advise community members regarding the water results, code the survey data, and prepare for a community meeting in September.

The water tests revealed that the quality of the purified water in El Barril superior to the water that community members purchase in Guerrero Negro! Annie visited with a number of community members to share this good news. In particular, Annie spoke with Agustine, who is in charge of the maintenance of the purification system, and Hilaria, who is the director of the health committee to ask them to share the news with the community members. Greg and Annie spent 6 hours coding the survey data. Shannon Pallone will use the data to validate a cost benefit analysis that will allow us to quantify the true cost differential between El Barril water and water purchased in Guerrero Negro.

Future Objectives:

Finish analyzing data gathered from the water survey. Complete cost-benefit analysis validation. Hold a community meeting in September to make recommendations to the community for strategic water resource management. Consider installation of a solar electricity system to replace the gas generator that is currently powering the purification system and paying someone to maintain the system. Make a trip to Guerrero Negro with Augustine to buy replacement filters. Complete a follow up water sample in September to validate that water quality is remaining consistent over time.

B. Aquaculture

Summary of prior progress:

At the conclusion of the prior trip, the group was still awaiting the results of the CONANP feasibility study. Although there were indications that the results of the study would be positive, the group had made little progress due to the lack of confirmation. During the April meeting, group members agreed to pursue oyster production, rather than *mano de león*, given the relatively simple production process for the former. They also agreed that the cooperative should be formed as a *sociedad*, instead of in the name of only one person. In addition, members agreed to complete the following tasks before the June Baja Project trip:

1. Compile a list of aquaculture co-op members. Jesús volunteered to complete this task.
2. Calculate per-person costs of creating a *sociedad*.
3. Collect the necessary funds to form the group.
4. Complete applications for both the *sociedad* and oyster production.

In the interim, Greg did not receive a response from Jesús, and did not know if any progress had been made.

Trip Objective: Assess progress made by the group concerning the above actions. Depending on progress, determine next steps and establish group leadership.

Upon arriving, the we found that CONANP had completed the feasibility study and given the results to Pancho Ruíz. As expected, the report indicated that the project was feasible on both the environmental and social levels. However, the findings also underscored the group's lack of organization, and the potential implications this would have for future success.

Greg also found that the group had not completed any of the four steps listed above. However, many core group members still showed significant interest, and the cooperative decided to hold a meeting on Thursday morning. There were four members present at the meeting: Rodrigo, Pancho, Siria and Delfino. Each confirmed their agreement with the group's prior decisions, and voiced the need to cement the group's leadership structure. To that end, the members have agreed to compile the list of *integrantes* and collect the funds to form a *sociedad* before the Baja Project's next trip. In addition, the group will hold leadership elections.

The CONANP report also suggested the group hire a technical advisor to guide them through the first harvest. Most members agreed that this would be necessary, given their lack of aquaculture

experience. To this end, Greg was able to make two contacts in Guerrero Negro. First, a CET del Mar professor who specializes in aquaculture might be willing to act as a technical advisor. Second, the Gomez Z. aquaculture cooperative was open to letting group members tour their operations in an attempt to transfer some knowledge.

Although there has been little progress made, there is still significant interest in the project. Rodrigo has emerged as a new and capable leader, and seems determined to take the group forward. Greg has collected contact information for all of the group members, and hopes to maintain contact throughout the summer to track their progress.

Future Objectives:

This is a crucial moment for the aquaculture cooperative. Group members have committed to giving the Baja Project a definitive answer by September: either the project continues under well-defined leadership, or it does not continue. Greg will be in contact with the co-op over the summer to ensure that they are making progress. During the September trip, the group will notify Greg if they plan on pursuing the aquaculture enterprise. If so, the group will work to prepare a business plan for Mr. Jameson, as well as applying to become a *sociedad* and for permission to begin cultivation. Following this timeline, the group should be ready to construct the infrastructure by the December trip, during which time the Baja Project team can help them purchase materials in Ensenada or Guerrero.

C. Education & Scholarship

El Barril Preparatoria Merit Scholarship

Summary of Prior Progress:

Third scholarship disbursements were made and receipts collected.

Trip Objective: Award fourth payments for merit scholarships and meet with families/students to collect receipts

Before the trip, Annie and Priscilla updated the scholarship application. As a team, we identified that we would evaluate the applications based on family needs, student's grades, and their essays. Upon our arrival to El Barril, Annie visited Alejandra and Nicolasa to disburse the fourth and final scholarship payment. Annie and Greg also visited the primary school teacher, Rogelio, to explain the process to him and identify eligible students. In the following days, we identified every single eligible student by word of mouth, basic information collected in the water surveys, and teacher's recommendations. We visited every single home to explain the application process and assist in the completion of applications. Arturo, Luis' son, was a great help to us in communicating with eligible students already enrolled in secondary school in Guerrero Negro. With the help of Arturo and Rogelio, we collected six applications in total.

In addition, we visited Cet-Mar in Guerrero Negro and spoke with the Director there. She explained a bit more about their secondary school training program. She was also able to provide us with an overview of what scholarship and loan opportunities are available to students. We

learned that there are even fewer scholarships available for students who want to go to college than students who are studying in secondary school.

We determined that we have two scholarships to offer this cycle. Marco Antonio, a current recipient, has one more year left in secondary school. Given that he has maintained good grades and been successful we believe that he should keep his scholarship. However, we had his family complete a new application so that we may adjust the amount that he receives. The other recipient, Dulce, will graduate this year. Therefore, we will replace Dulce's scholarship with a new recipient and add one more to bring our total number of scholarships to three.

We decided to select one scholarship based on family need and the other based on merit. We chose Anahí Ramos Carrillo and Jonathan Castro Martinez as the 2009-2010 scholarship recipients, based on performance in school and financial need. Anahí will graduate from El Barril's primary school this year and attend the town's teledundaria school beginning in August. Jonathan is currently studying at CET-Mar in Guerrero Negro, and plans to graduate at the end of next year.

The disbursement schedule over the next year will be as following:

Dates	Anahi	Johnny	Marco Antonio	% per period	Total to be paid out
<i>Sep-09</i>	140	280	280	0.35	700
<i>Dec-09</i>	100	200	200	0.25	500
<i>Mar-10</i>	100	200	200	0.25	500
<i>Jun-10</i>	60	120	120	0.15	300
TOTAL	400	800	800	1	2000

In addition, we would like to request funding for a \$100 merit award for Yuhana, the daughter of Gallo, who takes care of Pichón Place. Yuhana has maintained a 9.6 grade average, and wrote an impressive essay. However, because her family makes significantly more money than other El Barril residents, we didn't feel we could award her the full scholarship. By presenting her with a merit award, we believe we would encourage her to continue studying hard and, at the same time, we would establish a relationship with a future El Barril leader.

Future Objectives:

Marco Antonio and Dulce, 2008-2009 scholarship recipients will be in El Barril in July and would like to present their final essays to Mr. Jameson, and thank him in person if he will be in town. The families are awaiting Luis to contact them to let them know if this will be possible and to coordinate a meeting.

Through our conversation with the director of CET del Mar, we have also been made aware of the lack of scholarship opportunities for students who want to continue their studies beyond the secondary level. For instance, Dulce is currently planning to continue her studies in Ensenada, and will likely receive little financial assistance from any public institutions. Given this situation, we believe the Baja Project should consider creating a new scholarship fund aimed solely at funding post-secundario students. We hope to discuss this with Mr. Jameson in the near future.

In September, we will make the first disbursements for the 2009-2010 school year to Marco Antonio, Anahí and Jonathan. We will also hold meetings with all of the families that applied to inform them of our decision and our selection criteria and rationale.

D. Grupo Artesanal del Barril – Women’s Jewelry Co-op

Summary of Prior Progress:

In April, Priscilla and Annie learned that the jewelry co-op was still in its fledging stages and was having some problems with maintaining their production due to broken equipment and a lack of abalone shell for their production. We also discovered that they were not able to gain internet access, but they were still enthusiastic about their work and were learning new techniques from CONAMP.

Trip Objective: Follow up with the jewelry co-op to see how they are progressing and find ways for how the Baja Project could assist in expanding their markets and secure a steady supply of production materials

Priscilla spent some time with the jewelry co-op to observe and learn how they produce their products. Five women were working on that day with two women creating new molds and preparing the abalone shell; two cutting and shaping the shell by using the machinery; and one cleaning the finished product to prepare for the final step of varnishing. Priscilla learned that one of the members, Chela, was the bookkeeper and asked if she could see how they managed their accounting. Chela keeps a daily log of which group members are in attendance (not everyone can make it every day), a description of each piece of jewelry that was produced that day and its price. When asked about how they divide their profits, Guadalupe, the co-op president, said that 30% of their proceeds go towards expenses for maintaining the business, such as purchasing abalone shells, transportation and machinery repairs and the remaining 70% is divided among those who worked on the products that were sold. They also work with a distributor in town (Lupita) who travels to San Quintin, Guerrero Negro and San Ignacio to sell products to people that she knows in those towns. She receives a 20% commission on all of the merchandise that she sells.

Their main obstacle is not being able to secure a steady supply of abalone shell to consistently produce more jewelry. They do not know of any other source for their materials aside purchasing supplies from Ensenada. The women believe that they need to fill out paperwork in order to ship the supplies they need from Ensenada to El Barril. The women suggested that we speak with Luis to ask him about the documents. Unfortunately, Luis was not in town during our trip, so we were unable to talk to him about this.

Aside from the inability to secure enough abalone shell to continue making a larger quantity of merchandise, the group remains enthusiastic and optimistic about their future prospects. They have diversified the designs of their jewelry that we believe could sell well in the U.S. Of their collection, we pointed out which ones we believed would be the most appealing to U.S. buyers, and we bought a number of items from them to give as gifts.

We made a few suggestions to them including: creating business cards to be given out with each sale, proposing new ideas for designing jewelry and specifically making a lobster design that we will try to sell in Rosario at Mama Espinosa's, a restaurant that Baja Project consultants visit regularly during the driving trips down to El Barril.

On the way back from El Barril, we stopped by Mama Espinosa's, a restaurant that is known for its lobster dishes, and we presented the owner with some samples of the jewelry co-op's work. The owner was really impressed with the collection and expressed interest in purchasing some of the items to sell in the shop of her restaurant. We told her the group drives through Rosario every six months, and she said it would not be a problem if we sold her various pieces each time that we stopped by. We left her with the lobster earrings and pendant, which she will put up for sale in her store.

Future Objectives:

On our next trip in September, we will continue to work with the cooperative to find a steady source of the abalone shell that they use to produce their jewelry. We will purchase more merchandise in September that will be sold at the Holiday Bazaar that the Development Club will host this December. We will talk to Luis about any paperwork that would need to be filled out if they were to get their main supply of abalone shell from Ensenada. We will also see if there may be some supplies that we can find in the U.S. as a short-term solution to the shortage of production materials.

In December, we will try to bring various pieces of jewelry for the owner of Mama Espinosa's restaurant to buy.

E. Fishing Cooperative

Summary of prior progress:

The past trip allowed Greg to establish initial ties with the fishing cooperative, and to speak briefly with the new leadership. There has been little contact with the group over the past year and a half, so current objectives center around re-establishing ties and assessing the current state of the group.

Trip Objectives: Observe firsthand the co-op's fishing methods; inquire about shipping methods and prices.

Greg was able to go shark fishing with the group on the team's second night in El Barril. The fishermen depart around 5 pm, and stay at sea throughout the night. While they previously fished with baited lines, they shifted to net fishing in the past few years. As mentioned in the Executive Summary, this is an extremely harmful fishing method, and can result in the death of a wide variety of marine animals. For example, during this fishing trip, the boat on which Greg spent the night caught only two sharks (one pregnant hammerhead and a mako). However, the net also trapped three manta rays and a sea lion, all of which died or were killed by fishermen to free the nets.

Although these methods are harmful, the fishermen have become accustomed to using them over the years. If the Baja Project is to affect any change in the co-op, the initial proposals must be

approached carefully, so as to preserve the level of trust that has been built over the past six years. Thus, although the group understands the urgent need for change, this trip remained focused on building an individual and an institutional relationship with the fishing co-op. This relationship building is especially important given the co-op's prominence in the El Barril community.

Greg also learned that the fishing "cooperative" is not a cooperative in the traditional sense of the word. Each fisherman owns his own boat, pays for his own gas, and earns money according to the amount of product he brings in. This may have significant effects on the group's ability to work together, and to agree on significant expenditures, such as the purchase of a refrigerator truck. This issue is especially important because the trucks from Ensenada and Mexicali have begun coming less frequently. The fishermen told us that there has not been a truck in El Barril in several weeks, and that there may not be one until September.

Future Objectives:

Because there has been a period of "disconnect" between the Baja Project and the fishing cooperative, it will be helpful to consult with former team members who may have some knowledge of the co-op's operations, as well as more knowledge of fishing regulations. In particular, Greg has contacted Matt Owens, who has already been helpful in providing knowledge of past Baja Project interactions. Through such relationships, we hope to conceive proposals for reforms in the cooperative that will lead to more sustainable practices.

We will also determine if the group is open to new purchases such as a delivery

F. Community Garden

Summary of Prior Progress:

In April, no progress was seen since the December trip. The two community members who were interested in resurrecting the garden project were both out of town, so we were unable to find out what were the obstacles for moving forward with the garden.

Trip Objective: Revise plan to resurrect the community garden project and assess its long-term viability

The status of the garden remains the same as our last trip in April. With Professor Rogelio's departure this summer after his one year tenure, he decided not to incorporate nutrition and agriculture into the school curriculum this year. Priscilla also spoke with Lino about the garden, and he said that there has been a problem with the irrigation system that distributes the water unevenly throughout the garden. This has kept anyone from actively reviving the garden since they have not been assured that the irrigation system will work.

While speaking to the jewelry co-op, Priscilla asked if the women would be interested in having fresh vegetables. When asked if they would eat nopales from the cactus plant, they each said that they would and one member, Hilaria, said she has a cactus plant at home that she uses for cooking. Priscilla suggested that they might be interested in growing fresh tomatoes, chile

peppers, cilantro and onions that they regularly use for cooking. They seemed receptive to the idea.

We learned that Arturo said that he was interested in working on the garden as a side job. Priscilla spoke with him, and he said that he had been in contact with Kaden who said he would pass by El Barril this summer to take a look at the garden. He will go with Kaden to the garden to see how it can be revived.

When stopping at a restaurant in Guerrero Negro, we met the owner of La Espinita restaurant, Francisco Grado Villa, who is actively involved in the town's community development. He suggested that we get in contact with the Centro de Investigaciones Biologicas (CIB-NORT) in Guerrero Negro since they have a program that works with the community to train them in how to maintain a community garden. He said that they give instruction as to how best maintain good soil using compost and teach residents how the basics of how to plant seeds and tend a growing garden.

The team intends to stop by a cactus farm in San Quintin on the way back to San Diego to see how the farm functions and if we can incorporate any of its practices in El Barril.

Future Objectives:

In September, with Kaden's assistance, the team will reassess the garden's soil and irrigation system to see what can be done about recreating the garden. We will then speak with Arturo to devise a plan to have him tend the garden and receive payment and sell the vegetables in the community once the garden begins to flourish. We can also speak with the new professor to see if they might be interested in adding a nutrition component to the curriculum and promote student volunteers to work in the garden.

We will also contact Francisco Grado Villa about his suggestion to collaborate with Centro de Investigaciones Biologicas (CIB-NORT) to see about providing training for maintaining a sustainable community garden. If there is interest, we can help organize a group of community members to attend a community garden workshop in Guerrero Negro.

V. CONCLUSIONS

The June 2009 trip to El Barril was a success. The first-year team took advantage of their first solo trip to continue building relationships with community leaders, and to establish new goals for several of the projects.

Some of the most promising progress is being made by the jewelry cooperative, which has begun creating new designs and exploring new market opportunities. The team will work in the coming months to make other contacts in San Diego and in Mexico that may be interested in selling the co-op's products.

The aquaculture co-op has faced significant challenges, and progress has been slow in the past year. However, the group should benefit from new, energized leadership, especially because it has received a positive response from the CONANP environmental study. By September,

members will notify the Baja Project team whether the group wishes to continue cooperative development efforts.

In a similar fashion, the Baja Project's relationship with the fishing cooperative has been tenuous over the past year, and efforts to rebuild that relationship began with this trip. The fishing experience has given group members a better idea of the co-op's operations, and potential areas for future work. Greg will use the coming months to consult with former Project members and with other community contacts to determine strategies for approaching sustainability issues.

We have also begun exploring new ideas to stimulate interest in the community garden. Our conversation with Adrián the nopales farmer leads us to believe that the cactus may be a viable option because it is relatively easy to care for, and might generate interest in raising other plants.

Finally, we were able to make the final round of scholarship disbursements for the year to Dulce and Marco Antonio. In addition, we conducted a successful application process for the new scholarship class, and chose students who we believe will both represent El Barril in a favorable way, and use their education to benefit their community in the future.

This trip gave us insight into opportunities for growth and improvement in several projects. We look forward to our trip in September, when we will be able to assess progress made by El Barril residents and leverage some of the new contacts we made on this trip to generate new ideas.

APPENDIX I: PICTURES



The Jewelry Cooperative displays their designs



Two El Barril fishermen haul in their gill net, part of the shark fishing process that one former Baja Project member calls “the most unsustainable activity in El Barril”



Priscilla plays games with the local students



A Jewelry Co-Op member polishes a cut piece



Annie hands out balloons and bubbles the team brought for El Barril students



Greg and Priscilla with Adrián, a nopales farmer who has offered his services if El Barril residents decide to plant the cactus in the community garden

APPENDIX II: NEW CONTACTS

Soroyo López Aguilar, Director of CET-Mar:

Sory_lopez@hotmail.com

We met with Ms. Aguilar, who seemed open to helping us make contacts in Guerrero, especially regarding technical advice and consulting for Baja Project programs. She also indicated the lack of scholarship opportunities for graduating *secundaria* students.

Francisco and Guadalupe Grado Villa, Owners, La Espinita Restaurant (Guerrero Negro):

laespinita28@hotmail.com.

Involved in several different community projects in Guerrero and elsewhere. Offered to help Baja Project contact local leaders at universities, government works programs, etc.

Profesora Guadalupe Gamino Mendez, Professor, Telesecundaria No. 92 (El Costeno):

ggmendez_77@hotmail.com.

We met Guadalupe while picking up Fernando's essay. She may be a good contact in the future for scholarship resources.

Adrián Moreno, Nopal Farmer, on road about one hour north of San Quintín:

Home: (01 200) 124 91 27

Cell: (646) 197 09 75

Offered to help train nopal farmers from El Barril.

Salvador Guzmán, José Jesús Zazueta, President and Vice President, Gomez Z Fishing Cooperative:

SCPPLuizgomezz@hotmail.com

We met with the cooperative's secretary, Olivia, who suggested we send an email to arrange a tour of the cooperative's facilities for the aquaculture cooperative. The cooperative is located in the eastern part of Guerrero Negro, just off the main street, behind a beer dispensary called El Pollo.

Francisco Ruiz Romero, El Barril Resident, Aquaculture Co-Op Member:

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APPENDIX III: BAJA PROJECT BROCHURE

WE CREATED THIS BROCHURE AS A MARKETING TOOL, AND AS A MEANS OF OPENING CONVERSATION SPACE WITH EL BARRIL RESIDENTS AND OTHER CONTACTS.

Que Hacemos?

<h3>Proyectos Actuales</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analisis del agua de las varias fuentes de El Barril Asesoría con la Cooperativa de Joyería Apoyo operativo y economico a la cooperativa de acuicultura Planeamiento del Jardín comunitario 	<h3>Proyectos Pasados</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construcción de sanitarios particulares en tres casas de El Barril Estudio de mercados para la cooperativa de pescadores Educación comunitaria acerca de salud, drogas, y tecnología
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Como Involucrarse

- Sugiera un proyecto a los estudiantes
- Asista a las reuniones comunitarias del Proyecto Baja
- Integrarse a una de las cooperativas
- Pongase en contacto con nosotros por correo electronico (ver a la derecha)

Conactenos!!

Por Correo Electronico:
baja_project@ucsd.edu

O, hable con Jesus o Luis con sus ideas. Esperamos estar en contacto con usted pronto!




Quienes Somos?

Somos un grupo de estudiantes de la Universidad de California, San Diego. Como nuestro programa es de dos años, trabajamos con el Proyecto Baja por el mismo tiempo. Actualmente, somos tres en total:



Anita

Trabaja con el proyecto de agua y con las becas escolares.



Gregorio (Gollo)

Trabaja con las cooperativas de pescadores y acuicultura.



Priscilla

Trabaja con la cooperativa de joyería y con el jardín comunitario.

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Fecha del Proximo Viaje:
19-23 de Septiembre, 2009
 Estaremos aqui para trabajar con ustedes!