

Project Update: February 2011

Our field work ended in December 2010. Unfortunately, the bad weather conditions did not allow us to go out as often as we wanted. However, we managed to catch and release two turtles. Tags lasted for less than 48 hours but we can still work on the data collected even during such a short period. Furthermore, we managed to take pictures of the benthos in 100 sites all around the lagoon which will allow us to map turtle's movements in relation to food availability (mainly seagrass).

We are now processing all the data and will hopefully present final results and a report in the upcoming 2 or 3 months. In the meanwhile, partial results have been presented to the local community of San Ignacio but also at the most important sea turtle meeting in the region: the 13th Annual Meeting of Grupo Tortuguero de las Californias. During this event, Ranulfo Mayoral, our main turtle guide, received the prize for the best monitoring in a feeding area.

All our congratulations go to him and his team!