



Where

Pelorus Sound, New Zealand

Issue type(s):

Economic and management.

Specific Issue:

Fluctuations in the per-capita meat yield of Pelorus Sound mussel farms have resulted in substantial economic impacts and distortions within the industry.

Case study:

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Objective:

Forecasts of mussel meat yield for the Pelorus Sound Greenshell[™] mussel industry

Tool(s):

A web-based forecasting tool for mussel meat yield.

How tool(s) has/have been implemented:

Long-term monitoring data on water quality and river flow.

A <u>web-based tool</u> is used to predict mussel yield based on the monitoring data.

Simple plots to show the trend of mussel yield in a year ahead.

Results:

This process provides mussel industry for planning stocking rates based on predicted growing conditions, the longevity and return periods of poor growing conditions,



TOOLS IMPLEMENTATION EXAMPLE





Figure. Variation in mussel meat yield (solid line), and their food (seston: dashed line), between 1997 and 2005, as measured by Sealord Shellfisheries and the Marlborough Sound Shellfish Quality Programme (MSQP) programme. Data are expressed as anomalies from the long-term average.

Links:

AquaSpace D4.2 at <u>aquaspace-h2020.eu</u> on Library/Reports page

Reference

NA

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