



Koh Rong Archipelago

MARINE FISHERIES MANAGEMENT AREA



Cambodia's Fishery Administration (FiA), Fauna & Flora International (FFI) and project partners have been working together since 2012 with the joint aim to protect the marine environment in Cambodia. In a step toward enhancing the protection the marine biodiversity and fisheries livelihoods, Cambodia's first large-scale Marine Protected Area has been developed within the Koh Rong Archipelago. It is known as a Marine Fisheries Management Area (MFMA) and includes a zoning scheme made up of **6 zones**:

Conservation Areas

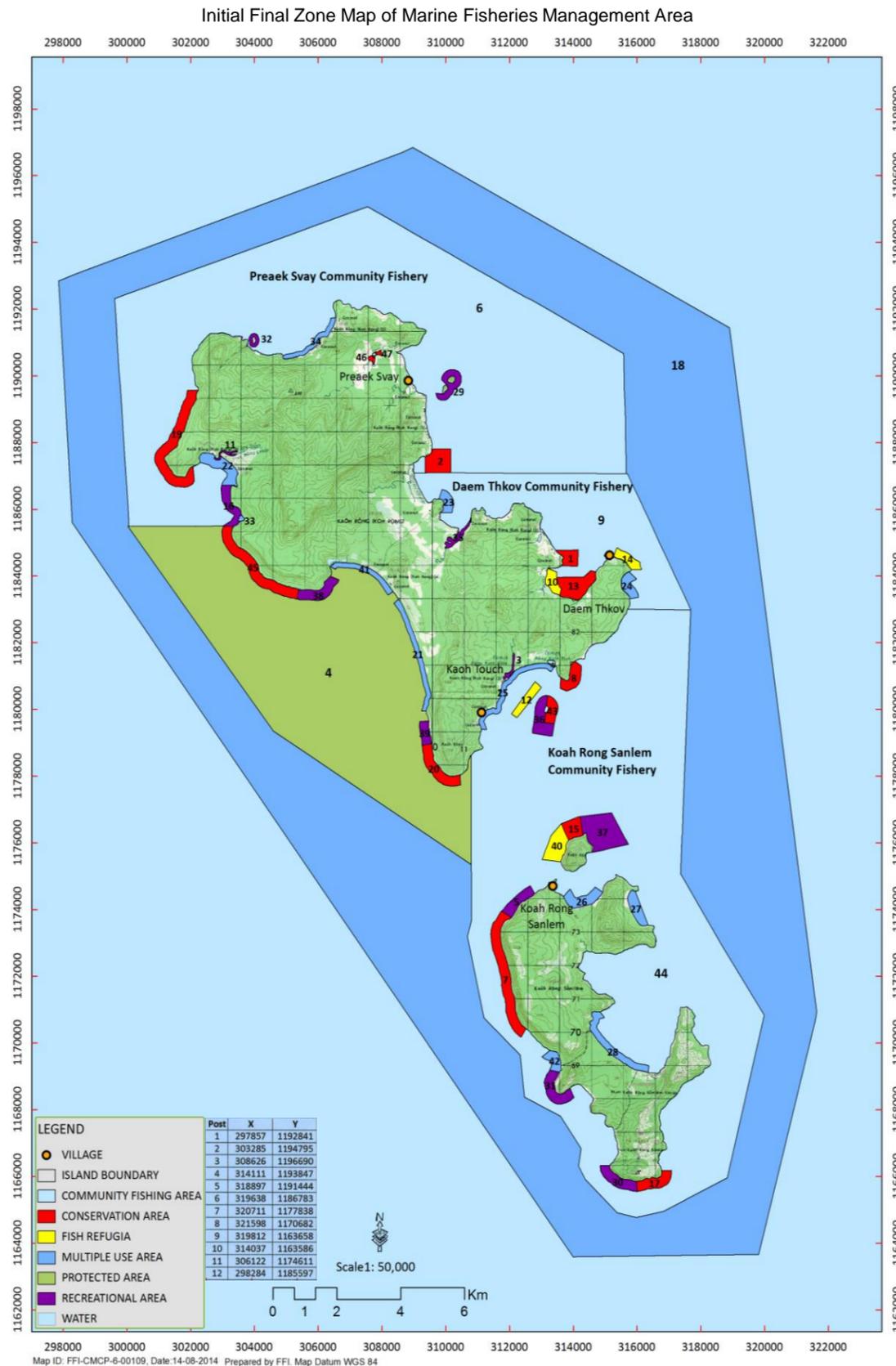
No-take zones of notable environmental importance in which **all forms of fishing, recreation and anchoring are prohibited**. Approved scientific research is permitted within the Conservation Area if the research is relevant to and a priority for the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

Protected Area

No-take zone in which **large-scale extractive activities such as commercial fishing are prohibited**, allowing for small-scale or recreational fishing and ecotourism activities that do not cause damage to coral reefs or other marine habitats.

Recreational Areas

All fishing activities and anchoring are prohibited in these zones, while recreational activities such as ecotourism, SCUBA diving, snorkeling and swimming are allowed, providing opportunities for **responsible enjoyment of the area**. Scientific monitoring and research can occur in these areas.



Community Fisheries

Community-managed fishing zones open year-round to small-scale traditional fishing methods, **for local communities dependent on fishing for subsistence**. Each Community Fishery (CFi) is under strict management from its local CFi team, to ensure the sustainable use of resources and non-damaging fishing methods.

Fisheries Refugia

At certain times of year, specific fishing methods are prohibited in these zones **to protect marine species during critical life stages**. Non-harmful fishing methods and recreational activities are allowed during periods, and in non-critical periods, local small-scale subsistence fishing & ecotourism is allowed.

Multiple Use Areas

Multiple Use Areas are **open to non-damaging general use**, including for extractive fishing, recreation, research and ecotourism activities.

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Thank you to the Fisheries Administration, Local Authorities, Community Fisheries, Project Partners, NGOs, stakeholders and businesses for your part in protecting livelihoods and natural habitats in this Marine Fisheries Management Area. We appreciate for your continued support and look forward to working together to build a sustainable future for the archipelago.