

Protecting San Ignacio Lagoon LSI Whale Conservation Fund

ABOUT US

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The Laguna San Ignacio Whale Conservation Fund held at the International Community Foundation **supports the long-term protection of Laguna San Ignacio** on the Pacific coast of Baja California, Mexico, **and the gray whales who use the Laguna as a nursery for their young.**

From 2000-2015, ICF and the Laguna San Ignacio Conservation Alliance have partnered with the local community **to successfully secure the permanent protection of over 340,000 acres of critical habitat**, virtually eliminating the threat of any industrial or large-scale commercial activity.

ICF and the LSI Conservation Alliance continue to work with the people of Laguna San Ignacio to identify sustainable economic alternatives and to protect this beautiful and wild place through strategies such as research, grantmaking, and capacity building.



Let's Get to Work!

Located on a 250-mile coastal wetland complex including mangrove forests, estuaries, and intertidal flats, this wild and pristine place has been declared a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**, a Biosphere Reserve, a migratory bird sanctuary, and **one of the last undeveloped gray whale birthing lagoons on the planet**.

We are seeking \$200,000 to protect and monitor the San Ignacio Lagoon and the gray whales for 2 years.

ICF's Environment portfolio seeks to protect the natural beauty and ecological integrity of the regions where we work through collaborative initiatives, such as the Laguna San Ignacio Conservation Alliance.



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"We have a pristine and privileged place, with conditions that allow us to uphold a responsible economic base (...). The challenge is identifying what can be done in Laguna San Ignacio that will foster development in the area (...). The key is finding an equilibrium; every activity must be environmentally responsible."

Raul Eduardo Lopez Gongora
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