El Pilar Timeline:

1983  El Pilar registered in Archaeology Belize with Dr. A Ford
1984  Formal Map of El Pilar created with Causeway
1985  Initial investigations of prehistory of El Pilar
1986  BRASS begins survey and initial map of El Pilar. Causeway to the west is identified
1993  Launch BRASS/El Pilar Project confirm ancient causeway
1994  Presentation of El Pilar to Ministry of Culture Guatemala
1995  Guatemala archaeological team joins research at El Pilar Belize
1996  Recorded in Guatemala as El Pilar (Poniente)
1997  First Mesa Redonda El Pilar Building Confidence Across Borders
      • Collaboratively declared the potentials of one El Pilar in two nations
      • Established legal foundation for cooperation at El Pilar
      • Promoted the establishment of continuous protected areas
      • 1998 Establishment of the El Pilar Archaeological Reserve for Maya Flora and Fauna SI 54 1998
1998  Second Mesa Redonda El Pilar: Management Planning
      • Presented established protected areas in Belize and Guatemala
      • Crafted parallel management themes: Community, Academy, Government
1999  Bi-national community workshops
      • Community participation activities
      • Carrying capacity activities
      • Envision Consultative Council for El Pilar
2000  Third Mesa Redonda El Pilar: One Shared Resource
      • Declaration of critical management agenda and plan
      • Outline of potential joint activities
2001  Presentation of draft management plans in Belize and Guatemala
2002  Celebration of 10 years of achievement – Bullet tree Falls
2003  PATEC-El Pilar approves draft management plan
2004  CONAP with IDEAH endorse Plan Maestro El Pilar
2005  NICH/IoA MOU with University of California Santa Barbara/ESP–Maya in Santa Barbara California
2006  NICH/IoA endorse El Pilar Management Plan
      • Mesa Redonda III
2007  Proposal of the Bi-national El Pilar Peace Park in Guatemala
2008  LX El Pilar workshop and declaration for Archaeology without Borders and the El Pilar model as a Peace Park
2009  Collaboration with Interlock Media on creation of El Pilar Maya Forest Garden video
2010  Santa Familia Primary School garden, Känan K’aax, mapped by BRASS/El Pilar team
2011  Signing of a memorandum of understanding with the Belize Government
      • Printing of the El Pilar Forest Garden Coloring Book in English and Spanish
2012  Känan K’aax three day workshop held, sponsored by ESP with funding from the National Geographic society, and support from the Belize Ministry of Education