Western and Central Pacific Ocean tuna - purse seine (Thai Union)

Overview

FIP Description
This FIP is made up of a fleet of 33 tuna purse seine vessels, flagged either to USA, Republic of Korea, Taiwan, Papua New Guinea, Kiribati, Nauru or the Federated States of Micronesia. The vessels fish in the WCPO for the three tropical tuna species (with most of the catch being made up of skipjack). They deploy FADs, and fish on FADs and other floating objects, as well as setting on free schools.

How is this FIP Doing?

Current Status:
- 4%
- 29%
- 68%

Actions Progress
This shows the proportion of actions in the workplan that the FIP has completed.
- 17%

Actions Overview
This shows the proportion of actions that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started.

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Red Indicator Progress
This shows the proportion of actions specifically addressing red indicators that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started. This helps users understand the progress the FIP is making on the biggest challenges in the fishery.
FIP Progress Rating

C - Some Recent Progress

FIP Objective(s)

- Achieve sustainable stock status? for tuna that is consistent with the Maximum Sustainable Yield (MSY) and management systems strengthened to achieve this.
- To improve the availability of accurate data on catches, retained and especially bycatch by strengthening information systems and training.
- To collaborate with other institutions working on tuna fisheries issues in the country, including working together to improve the management and policy towards sustainable fisheries for example Harvest Control Rules.
- Strengthen ETP and retained species management strategies.
- To promote traceability to ensure that the origins and status of Tuna products purchased are well-known and all coming from legal fisheries by engaging the supply chains that support improvement through the implementation of e-monitoring.
- Improve governance and decision making process.
- Achieve MSC certification and the objectives above by 2024.

FIP Type

Comprehensive

FIP Stage

Stage 3: FIP Implementation

Start and Projected End Dates

August, 2019 -
August, 2024

Species

- Common Name
  Bigeye Tuna
- Scientific Name
  Thunnus obesus
**Common Name**
Skipjack Tuna

**Scientific Name**
Katsuwonus pelamis

**Buying Guide Link Image**

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**Common Name**
Yellowfin Tuna

**Scientific Name**
Thunnus albacares

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**Gear Type**
Purse Seine
Location

**FAO Major Fishing Area**
- Area 71 (Pacific, Western Central)
- Area 77 (Pacific, Eastern Central)

**Exclusive Economic Zones**

**Country**
- Nauru

**Country**
- Micronesia (Federated States of)

**Country**
- Kiribati

**Country**
- Marshall Islands (the)

**Country**
- Palau

**Country**
- Papua New Guinea

**Country**
- Solomon Islands

**Country**
- Tuvalu

**Country Flag of Vessel**
- Korea (the Republic of)

**Country Flag of Vessel**
- Nauru

**Country Flag of Vessel**
- Micronesia (Federated States of)

**Country Flag of Vessel**
- United States of America (the)

**Country Flag of Vessel**
### Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO)
- **WCPFC**

### Estimated Total FIP Landings
- 847,681 metric tons

### FIP Leads

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