

## Pacific Ocean tuna - longline (Liancheng)

### Overview

#### FIP Description

The fishery being assessed is comprised of pelagic longline vessels that target albacore tuna with incidental catch of bigeye and yellowfin tunas, fishing on the high seas of the Pacific Ocean. The agent vessels are managed by the Liancheng Overseas Fishery (Shenzhen) Company, and are flagged to China, Taiwan, the Federated States of Micronesia and Fiji. From time to time and where permitted, the vessels may fish in national EEZs including Cook Islands, FSM, Fiji, and Vanuatu. It is assumed in this pre-assessment that management within these EEZs is at least equal to the high seas.

### How is this FIP Doing?

#### Current Status:



**Actions Progress** This shows the proportion of actions in the workplan that the FIP has completed.



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

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
0%	38%	63%	0%

#### FIP Objective(s)

- Achieve sustainable stock status' for albacore, bigeye and yellowfin 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.
- To achieve MSC Certification and the above objectives by 2025.

#### FIP Type

Comprehensive

#### FIP Stage

Stage 4: Improvements in Fishing Practices or Fishery Management

#### Start and Projected End Dates

September, 2019 -

September, 2025

#### Species

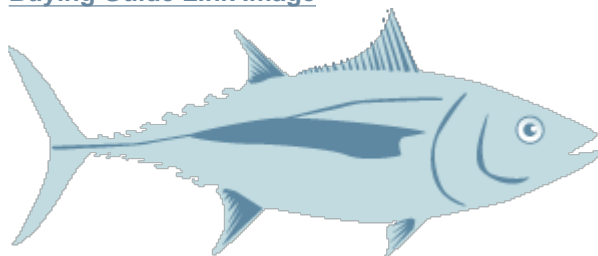
##### Common Name

Albacore Tuna

##### Scientific Name

Thunnus alalunga

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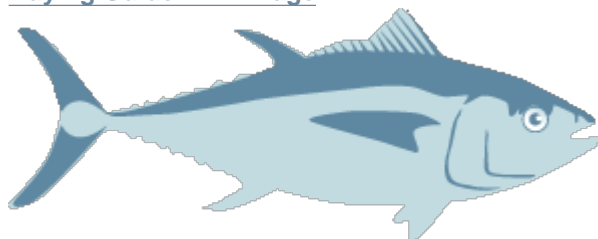
**Common Name**

Bigeye Tuna

**Scientific Name**

Thunnus obesus

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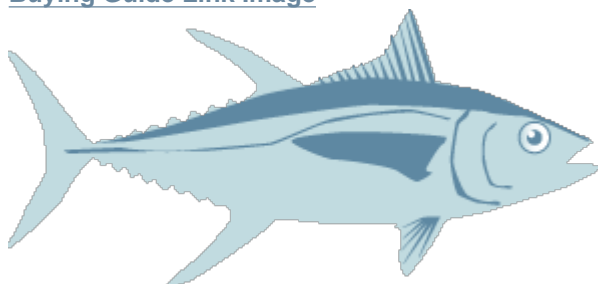
**Common Name**

Yellowfin Tuna

**Scientific Name**

Thunnus albacares

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**Gear Type**

[Longline](#)

**Location****FAO Major Fishing Area**

[Area 61 \(Pacific, Northwest\)](#)

[Area 67 \(Pacific, Northeast\)](#)

[Area 71 \(Pacific, Western Central\)](#)

[Area 77 \(Pacific, Eastern Central\)](#)

[Area 81 \(Pacific, Southwest\)](#)

[Area 87 \(Pacific, Southeast\)](#)

#### **Exclusive Economic Zones**

**Country**

Fiji

**Geographic Scope**

Entire EEZ

**Country**

Micronesia (Federated States of)

**Geographic Scope**

Entire EEZ

**Country**

Vanuatu

**Geographic Scope**

Entire EEZ

**Country**

Cook Islands (the)

**Geographic Scope**

Entire EEZ

**Country**

Micronesia (Federated States of)

**Geographic Scope**

Entire EEZ

**Country Flag of Vessel**

China

**Country Flag of Vessel**

Taiwan

**Country Flag of Vessel**

Micronesia (Federated States of)

#### **Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO)**

IATTC

WCPFC

**High Seas Name**

Pacific Ocean

**Estimated Total FIP Landings**

94140 metric tons

**FIP Leads****Organization Name**

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**Organization Type**

Consultant

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