

COMPLETED Western and Central Pacific Ocean tuna – longline (Yaizu)

Overview

FIP Description

Fukuichi Fishery Co., Ltd., a Japanese seafood processing company, conducted a MSC pre-assessment in 2018 for partner fisheries which operate longline tuna in the Pacific Ocean. Pre-assessment report showed the fishery needs improvement on Principle 2, ecosystem impact, although Principle 1, target stock, and Principle 2, effective management, were conditional pass level. It was identified in the pre-assessment report that one of the weaknesses of the fishery was limited information/data about bycatch and bait.

To address the issues and achieve and maintain MSC certification, Fukuichi Fishery launches a FIP which has 2 stages as below:

Stage 1 (Sep 2019 - Aug 2020): launch and implement FIP focusing on Principle 2 and partially on P1 and P3

Stage 2 (Sep 2020 - Mar 2022): conduct full-assessment and achieve MSC certification

Scope of the fishery:

Target species: yellowfin, albacore and bigeye

Fishing method: pelagic long line

Definition: Japanese vessels with "pelagic long line tuna" license which operate in WCPO and land at Yaizu port

How is this FIP Doing?

Current Status:



% of Indicators Tracked Basic FIPs may focus their workplans on a subset of the indicators. This shows the proportion of total indicators the FIP is working on.



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
50%	0%	50%	0%

FIP Objective(s)

- Start MSC Full Assessment by August 2021
- Achieve MSC certification by March 2023

FIP Type

Basic

FIP Stage

Stage 5: Improvements on the Water

Start and Projected End Dates

November, 2019 -
March, 2023

Species

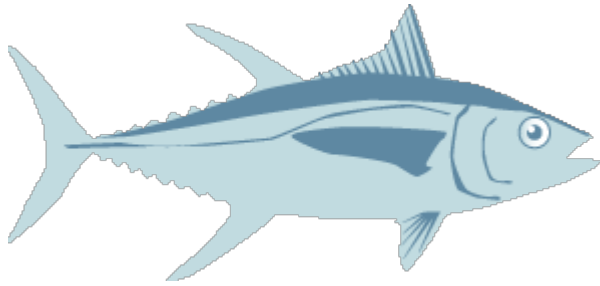
Common Name

Yellowfin Tuna

Scientific Name

Thunnus albacares

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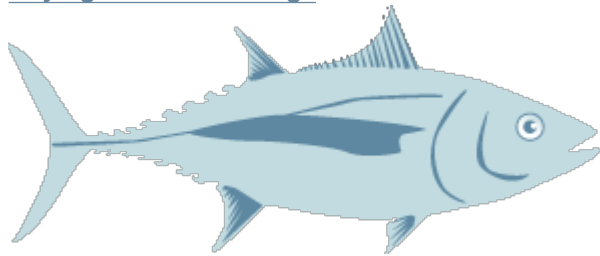
Common Name

Albacore Tuna

Scientific Name

Thunnus alalunga

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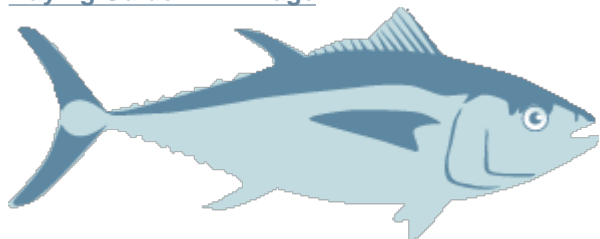
Common Name

Bigeye Tuna

Scientific Name

Thunnus obesus

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Gear Type

[Longline](#)

Location

FAO Major Fishing Area

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

Exclusive Economic Zones

Country

Papua New Guinea

Geographic Scope

Entire EEZ

Country Flag of Vessel

Japan

Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO)

WCPFC

High Seas Name

Pacific Ocean

Estimated Total FIP Landings

1888 metric tons

FIP Leads

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