Pacific tuna - longline

Overview

FIP Description
The fishery being assessed is the Pacific Tuna Longline Fishery targeting albacore (*Thunnus alalunga*), bigeye (*Thunnus obesus*) and yellowfin (*Thunnus albacares*) tuna across all regions of the Pacific Ocean.

The Pacific Tuna Longline Fishery aims to meet the rising global demand for tuna in a sustainable manner by assuring catches do not exceed sustainable levels, promoting the ecosystem based approach to fisheries management and strengthening policy and governance systems in the region.

Pacific Tuna Longline Fishery goals:

- **Sustainable Fish Stocks** ? To ensure tuna and other primary species catches across the Pacific Ocean do not exceed sustainable levels
- **Minimising Environmental Impacts** ? To promote the ecosystem-based approach to fisheries management
- **Effective Management** ? To strengthen governance systems in the WCPFC, IATTC and Pacific Tuna Longline fishery.

How is this FIP Doing?

Current Status:

| 7% | 36% | 57% |

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

46%

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

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FIP Progress Rating
A - Advanced Progress

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 a certifiable status by 2022.

FIP Type
Comprehensive

FIP Stage
Stage 4: Improvements in Fishing Practices or Fishery Management

Start and Projected End Dates
December, 2017 -
December, 2022
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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 Flag of Vessel**
    - Vanuatu

- **Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO)**
  - WCPFC
  - IATTC
FIP Volume
5000 metric tons

FIP Leads

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