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**SPA Roadmap IWG Chair's Draft Revisions**

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**Chair**  
**SP Albacore IWG**

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### Purpose

1. To define the responsibilities of the SPA Roadmap Inter Sessional Working Group (IWG) in progressing key issues on the management of the South Pacific albacore.

### Terms of Reference

1. The terms of reference for the workgroup shall include consideration of the management issues:
  - a. Elements necessary for a pathway to support the development of the SPA management procedure, including the revision of the management objective and the iTRP.
  - b. Elements necessary for establishing an allocation framework.
  - c. Elements for developing a new conservation and management measure.

2. The roadmap [will] also contain(s) three main components:

- a. Development of the SPA Management Procedure.
- b. Allocation Framework: Develop recommendations for a framework on how the Commission allocates the overall TAC/TAE for the [fishery], [all the fisheries in the region] [catching South Pacific Albacore] (taking into account the interests and aspirations of SIDS and Participating Territories and impacts of climate change), and the actions required to achieve biological and economic [stability] [viability] in the fishery.
- c. Development of a new CMM.

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**Commented [I2]:** Given divergence of views, suggest that this is a substantive issue (fishery vs. all fishery) to be considered in the development of the allocation framework, rather than in these TORs (which are focused on process)

**CT** is flexible with AUS suggestion however expect the scope of allocation to be "all the fisheries targeting SPA in the region".

**Commented [NR3]:** NU – Limits instead of Allocation Framework

NZ ...take into consideration all fisheries...

**Commented [NR4]:** NZ happy to agree to text "...to take into consideration all fisheries targeting SPA in the region."

**Commented [MMR5]:** If we get stuck, what about "objectives"

**Commented [NR6]:** b. Allocation Framework: Develop recommendations for a framework on how the Commission allocates the overall TAC/TAE for the [fishery], [all the fisheries in the region] [take into consideration all fisheries] [catching South Pacific Albacore] (taking into account the interests and aspirations of SIDS and Participating Territories and impacts of climate change), and the actions required to achieve biological and economic [stability] [viability] in the fishery.

**Work Plan:**

This work plan addresses the main components- **identified through the TOR above. It is intended to be a working document that will be revised by the IWG as work progresses.** \*Considering the margins of the SC and/or TCC meetings for the IWG to meet; and the SMD type meeting to be a virtual meeting.

	<b>Support the development and adoption of the Management Procedure</b>	<b>Establishing a framework for the allocation of the SPA TAC</b>	<b>Development of a new CMM</b>
<b>Objectives</b>	- The IWG will progress the discussions on a management objective and the revision of the iTRP to recommend to WCPFC20.	The IWG to identify and develop recommendations on key components and a process for establishing an allocation framework for the Commission to consider.	To develop a new measure that <del>enacts</del> <u>incorporates the allocation framework, as well as any other issues identified by the IWG, that will function as an implementing mechanism for the management procedure a management procedure and the implementation of the allocation of rights of this fishery.</u>
2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To consider the South Pacific albacore objectives and a revised TRP and recommendations for the WCPFC20.</li> <li>- On the ongoing Management Procedure development and testing, <u>to facilitate the (need for?) a science management dialogue dedicated to SPA (focussed on revising the TRP and initial candidate MP evaluations). (potential 2 day</u></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To consider key issues <u>[principles and developments]</u> required to be considered in the development [work] of the allocation[ framework for the Commission to consider], <u>in particular Article 10.3 of the Convention.</u></li> <li>- Report to the Commission on the progress of the work by the IWG.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Take note of discussions/progress from the MP and the SPA Allocation framework developments, <u>as well as other relevant considerations (including guidance from SC and TCC)</u> to identify management measure implications to be addressed.</li> </ul>

**Commented [NR8]:** NU - Edit to "Discuss and consider key principles and developments required to be considered in the work of allocation"

	<u>virtual meeting) for the IWG to progress the discussions on the SPA MP development and provide guidance in the margins of the SC19 and TCC19.</u>		
2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ongoing SPA Management Procedure development and testing and “dry run” of MP application.</li> <li>- A Science management dialogue dedicated to SPA (focussed on selecting candidate MPs for potential adoption).</li> <li>- Recommend to the Commission to adopt a SPA management procedure.</li> <li>- <u>Development of a CMM for a Management Procedure for SPA for adoption by WCPFC21</u></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Depending on outcomes from 2023 – to consider recommending the start of the allocation process discussion. Potential physical workshop for allocation.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Take note of discussions/progress from the MP and the SPA Allocation framework developments, as well as other relevant considerations (including guidance from SC and TCC) to identify management measure implications to be addressed key elements for a revised CMM for SPA.</u></li> <li>- <u>Commence development of a revised CMM for SPA.</u></li> </ul>
2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· The adopted management procedure is run for the first time in 2025 (the year after the stock assessment which is desirable).</li> </ul>	Progress with guidance from the Commission.	<p><del>Progress with guidance from the Commission</del>  <u>Continue development of the implementation CMM</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Consideration of a draft CMM by SC21, TCC21</u></li> </ul>

**Commented [JSAL7]:** Revised text to reflect a comment from Tokelau

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			- <a href="#">Adoption of a revised CMM for the management of SPA by WCPFC22</a>
<a href="#">2026</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementation of the Management Procedure would commence in 2026 and run in a three year cycle (2026-2028).</li> </ul>		

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Comments

We consider there will need to be two CMMs, one is for the MP (suggested 2024) and one is for the Implementation, which includes the allocation framework (suggested 2025). It is important to keep these two things separate in our view and this means two CMMs in the same way SKJ has the draft MP CMM and with the tropical tuna measure being the implementing CMM.

We reiterate our stated preference that this workplan covers all aspects that will achieve a robust and sustainable management system for South Pacific albacore. Hence we have added that for 2026 for members to consider.