

Opening & background:

2nd informal intersessional meeting for the
review of WCPFC CMM 2018-03



Review of WCPFC CMM 2018-03

Background:

- WCPFC19 agreed to conduct a review of CMM 2018-03 in 2023 and 2024 whereby new bycatch mitigation studies would be evaluated with respect to bycatch mitigation effectiveness and compared against current ACAP Best Practices.



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Background:

- WCPFC19 agreed to conduct a review of CMM 2018-03 in 2023 and 2024 whereby new bycatch mitigation studies would be evaluated with respect to bycatch mitigation effectiveness and compared against current ACAP Best Practices.
- WCPFC20 noted that New Zealand will lead informal intersessional meetings with interested CCMs to review the latest scientific evidence on seabird bycatch mitigation and gather views.



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Purpose (as per SC19):

“To ensure that effective mitigation methods are required and applied across the Convention Area where there is bycatch risk to vulnerable seabirds from longline fishing.”

Scope (as per SC19):

- I. The spatial extent of required mitigation methods
- II. The Southern Hemisphere mitigation options and specifications
- III. The Northern Hemisphere mitigation options and specifications



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Process as agreed to at WCPFC20:

- **Dec-Feb:** Collation of relevant papers (SharePoint)
- **Feb 20:** 1st informal intersessional meeting (online)
- **May 7:** 2nd informal intersessional meeting (online)
- **May-Jul:** Collation of evidence presented, and views communicated into a draft CMM, by New Zealand
- **Aug:** Presentation of draft CMM at SC20
- **Sep:** Further discussion on draft CMM at TCC20
- **Dec:** Further discussions on draft CMM at WCPFC21



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Division of scope between
informal intersessional meetings:



20 February 2024

07 May 2024

Southern Hemisphere mitigation
specifications

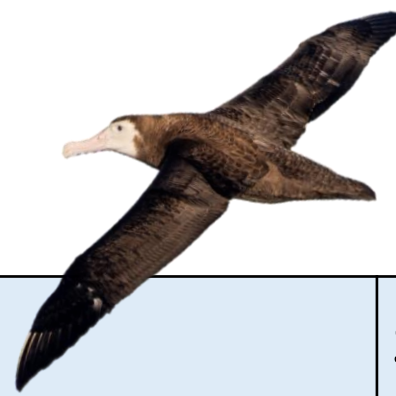
Spatial extent of required mitigation
methods

Southern Hemisphere mitigation
options

Northern Hemisphere mitigation
specifications

Northern Hemisphere mitigation
options

The plan for today



NZST	Topic	Speaker/facilitator
12:00	Opening & brief background	New Zealand (Danica Stent)
12:10	Overview of 1 st informal intersessional meeting on the review of WCPFC CMM 2018-03	New Zealand (Dr Igor Debski)
12:30	Seabird tracking, distribution, overlap with fishing effort and population trajectories	New Zealand (Dr Johannes Fischer)
13:30	Seabird diving ecology	New Zealand (Dr Igor Debski)
13:45	Seabird bycatch mitigation experiments in the Hawaiian deep-set fishery	United States of America (Dr Asuka Ishizaki)
14:15	Break	

The plan for today



NZST	Topic	Speaker/facilitator
14:45	Evidence on effectiveness of combinations of mitigation methods	New Zealand (Dr Igor Debski & Dr Johannes Fischer)
15:40	Implementation of Southern Hemisphere mitigation options: A New Zealand industry perspective	New Zealand (Rosa Edwards)
16:00	Implementation of Northern Hemisphere mitigation options: A USA industry perspective	United States of America (Eric Kingma)
16:20	Monitoring, compliance, and surveillance tools: an overview of reported data and a New Zealand perspective on data collection	New Zealand (Jordan Owczarek & Dr Johannes Fischer)
17:10	Time for any other CCMs to present	For anyone who would like to present
18:10	Data requests to SPC and suggestions for work to be submitted to SC20 & TCC20	New Zealand (Dr Johannes Fischer)
18:20	Next steps & closing remarks	New Zealand (Danica Stent)