

Scientific Committee  
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Stock Assessment Theme Session  
Introduction

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# Theme Session Goals

1. Review Research and Information

**2. Provide Scientific Information**

- Stock Status and Trends
- Management Advice and Implications

# Agenda Items: 9-August-2018

## 4.1 WCPO Tunas

### 4.1.1 WCPO Bigeye Tuna

\*4.3.4 North Pacific Blue Shark

### 4.1.2 WCPO Yellowfin Tuna

# Agenda Items: 10-August-2018

## 4.1 WCPO Tunas

4.1.3 WCPO Skipjack Tuna

4.1.4 South Pacific Albacore Tuna

# Agenda Items: 10-August-2018

## 4.2 Northern Stocks

4.2.1 North Pacific Albacore

4.2.2 Pacific Bluefin Tuna

4.2.3 North Pacific Swordfish

# Agenda Items: 11-August-2018

## 4.2 Northern Stocks

4.2.3 North Pacific Swordfish as Needed

## 4.3 WCPO Sharks

4.3.1 Oceanic Whitetip Shark

\*4.3.5 North Pacific Shortfin Mako Shark

# Agenda Items: 11-August-2018

## 4.3 WCPO Sharks

4.3.3 South Pacific Blue Shark

\*4.3.2 Pacific Silky Shark

# Agenda Items: 13-August-2018

## 4.3 WCPO Sharks

\*4.3.2 Pacific Silky Shark as Needed

4.3.6 Pacific Bigeye Thresher Shark

4.3.7 Southern Porbeagle Shark

4.3.8 Indo-Pacific Whale Shark



# Agenda Items: 13-August-2018

## 4.4 WCPO Billfishes

4.4.1 South Pacific Swordfish

4.4.2 Southwest Pacific Striped Marlin

4.4.3 North Pacific Striped Marlin

4.4.4 Pacific Blue Marlin

# Agenda Items: 14-August-2018

## 4. Stock Status and Management

Implications Recommendations

Outstanding Issues

# Agenda Items: 15-August-2018

4. Complete Stock Status and Management

Advice and Implications

Outstanding Issues

# Session Rules

- One speaker recognized at a time
- Presenters follow time constraints

# Scientific Method for Stock Assessments

- Empirical Testing
- Open Debate
- Documentation and Reproducibility
- Reporting Uncertainty
- Peer Review

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# Lead Conveners and Support Rapporteurs

## Item 4.1.1 WCPO Bigeye Tuna

- Lead: Brodziak
- Support: Sculley and Aoki
- Item 4.1.2 WCPO Yellowfin Tuna
- Lead: Minami
- Support: Curran and Aoki

# Assignments

## Item 4.1.3 WCPO Skipjack Tuna

- Lead: Minami
- Support: Fitchett and Sato

## Item 4.1.4 South Pacific Albacore Tuna

- Lead: Brodziak
- Support: Sculley and Ochi

# Assignments

## Item 4.2.2 Pacific Bluefin Tuna

- Lead: Minami
- Support: Post and Uosaki

## Item 4.2.3 North Pacific Swordfish

- Lead: Brodziak
- Support: Fitchett and Kiyofuji

# Assignments

\* Item 4.3.4 North Pacific Shortfin Mako Shark

- Lead: Brodziak
- Support: Chang and Katsumata

# Assignments

## \*Item 4.3.2 Silky Shark

- Lead: Minami
- Support: Sculley and Tsuji

## \*Item 4.3.4 North Pacific Blue Shark

- Lead: Brodziak
- Support: Carvalho and Katsumata

# Assignments

Item 4.3.8 Indo-Pacific Whale Shark

Lead: Minami

- Support: Carvalho and Kei Okamoto

Item 4.4.3 North Pacific Striped Marlin

Lead: Brodziak

- Support: Carvalho and Kei Okamoto

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# Late Work Papers Can Blur the Quality of Scientific Information

