

Agenda Item 3: Overview of the mixed fishery framework

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Catch proportions by fishery

Stock	Tropical longline	Southern longline	Northern longline	Pole and line	Purse seine	Troll	Other
Skipjack	0	0	0	0.09	0.83	0	0.08
South Pacific albacore	0.12	0.81	0	0	0	0.07	0
Bigeye	0.27	0.05	0.06	0.01	0.45	0	0.15
Yellowfin	0.08	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.55	0	0.31

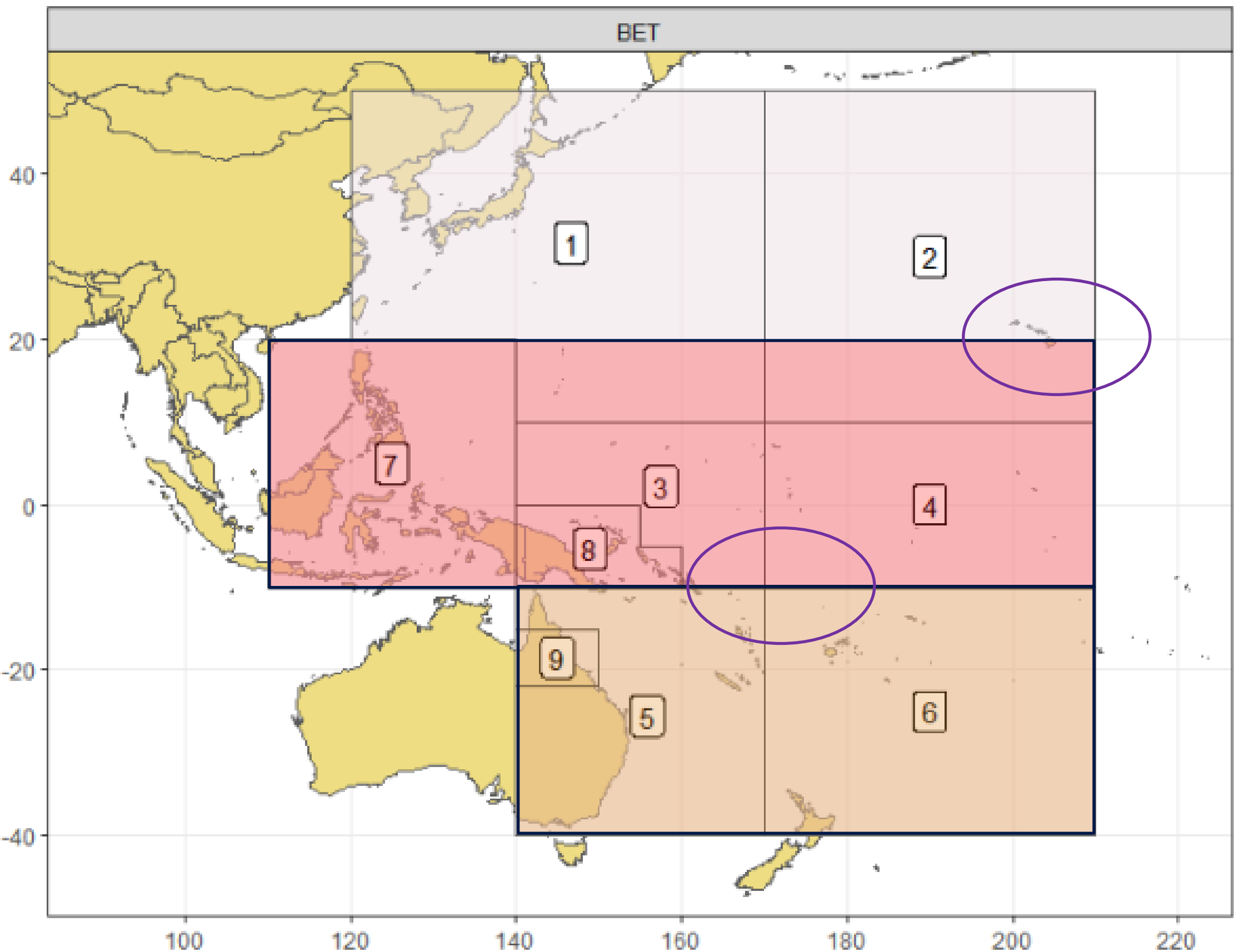
- Mean proportion of catch by weight (2020-2022) in WCPFC-CA (SPA south of equator).
- *Other* is domestic fisheries of Vietnam, Indonesia and Philippines – includes archipelagic waters.
- Skipjack and South Pacific albacore - dominated by one fishery, no interaction.
- Bigeye and yellowfin – mixed fishery interactions.

Mixed fishery approach

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- Mixed fishery approach specifies single-stock MPs for SKJ, SPA and BET:
 - An MP only considers the status of a single stock.
 - An MP can set fishing opportunities for multiple fisheries.
 - Avoids spatially overlapping MPs, and avoids fisheries being managed through multiple MPs.
- Under mixed fishery approach:
 - SKJ MP – P&L, PS, Domestic (other).
 - SPA MP – SLL, Troll.
 - BET MP – TLL.
- Archipelagic waters excluded from WCPFC MPs.

Current working assumption for longline fisheries

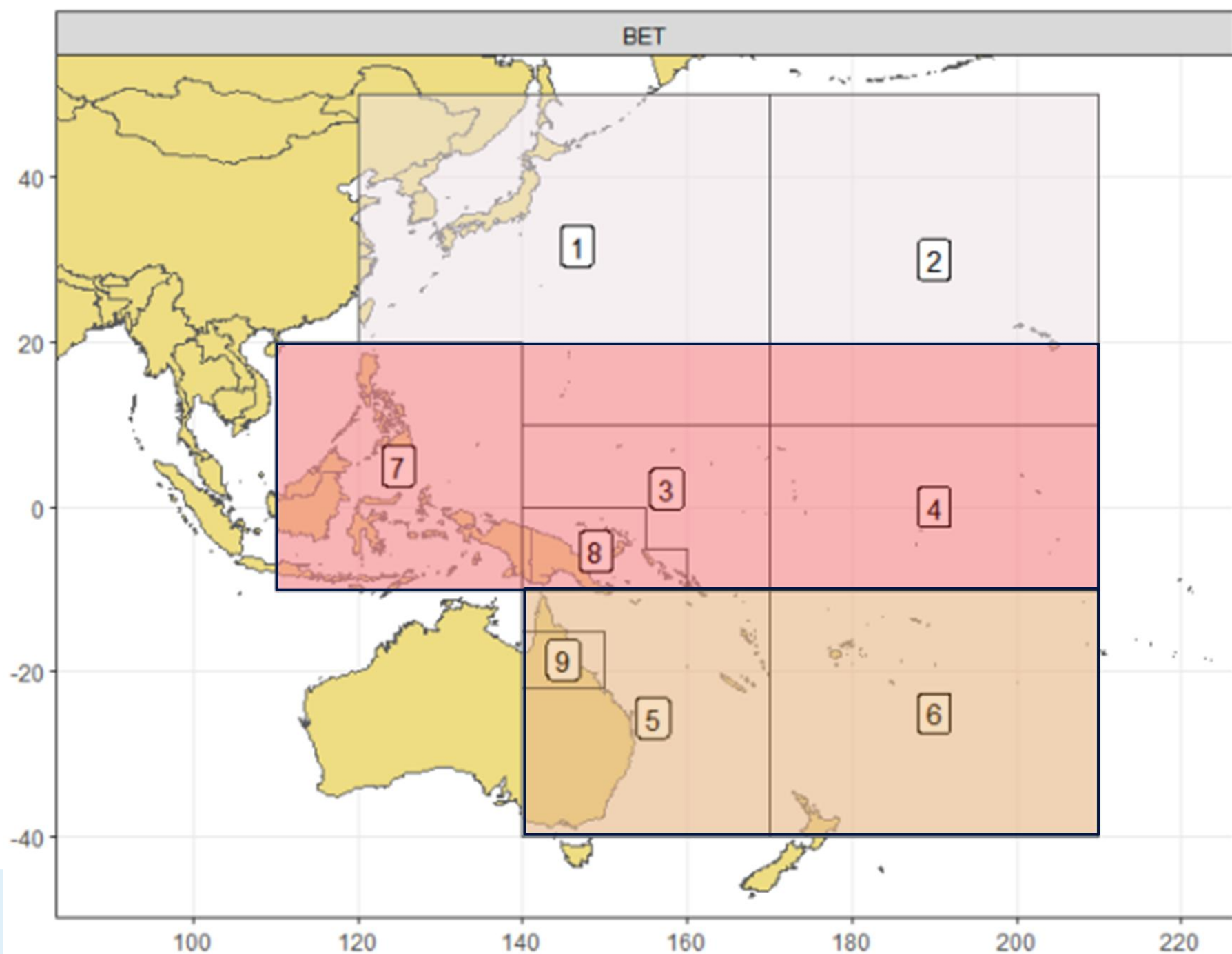


Longline fishery	Latitudinal range	MP
Northern	North of 20°N	Potentially aligned with NPA management
Tropical	10°S to 20°N	BET
Southern	South of 10°S	SPA

- 20°N separates Hawaii longline fleet into NLL and TLL.
- Slivers of TK and TV EEZ south of 10°S excluded from SPA MP – included in BET MP?
- Option to extend spatial range of BET MP to WCPFC-CA if managed through catch limits?

BMW1 Decision points

- Spatial range of the bigeye MP
- Fisheries managed through the bigeye MP



Fishery	Proportion of BET catch	MP
Tropical longline	0.27	Bigeye
Northern longline	0.06	Potentially aligned with NPA management
Southern longline	0.05	South Pacific albacore
Purse seine	0.45	Skipjack
Pole and line	0.01	Skipjack
Other	0.15	Skipjack

