

INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION

SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

13TH MEETING

(by videoconference)

16-20 May 2022

3:00 PM-6:00 PM PDT San Diego time (UTC-8)

AGENDA

	Documents
1. Opening of the meeting	
2. Adoption of agenda	
3. Research planning:	
a. Staff activities and research work plan	SAC-13-01
4. Review of the implementation of recommendations adopted at previous SAC and Working Group meetings: progress and outcomes	SAC-13-02
5. The fishery:	
a. The tuna fishery in the EPO in 2021	SAC-13-03
b. National reports	
c. Longline observer program reports	SAC-13-04
d. Transshipment observer program	
6. Stock assessments:	
a. Investigation on potential bias on the tropical tuna catch estimates caused by the COVID-19 pandemic	SAC-13-05
b. Stock status indicators (SSIs) for tropical tunas in the EPO	SAC-13-06
c. Workplan for the bigeye and yellowfin tuna benchmark assessments: summary report on the 1 st workshop on improving the risk analysis for tropical tunas in the EPO (model diagnostics)	
d. Stock assessment for skipjack in the EPO	
i. Interim skipjack assessment	SAC-13-07
ii. Spatiotemporal tagging model for skipjack in the EPO	SAC-13-08
e. Updates from ISC Working Groups:	
i. Pacific bluefin tuna	
ii. North Pacific albacore tuna	
f. Other species	
i. South EPO swordfish assessment: benchmark assessment	SAC-13-09
ii. South Pacific albacore: benchmark assessment	
iii. Dorado (mahi mahi) assessment and related issues	
7. Modelling:	
a. Workplan for tropical tuna Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE): progress report	
8. Data collection:	
a. Workplan for the implementation of an electronic monitoring (EM) program for the tuna fishery in the EPO: progress report	
b. Development and implementation of the IVL scheme for bigeye catches: update	
9. FADs:	
a. Report of the Working Group on FADs	

10. Ecosystem and bycatch:	
a. Ecosystem considerations	SAC-13-10
b. Report of the Working Group on Bycatch	
c. Dolphin research: update	
d. Proposed TORs for Ecosystem and Bycatch WG	
11. Sharks:	
a. Vulnerability status for sharks in the EPO: EASI-fish assessment	SAC-13-11
b. Improvements on shark data collection for EPO coastal fisheries: ABNJ2	SAC-13-12
12. Life history:	
a. Review of research at the Ashotines Laboratory	SAC-13-13
13. Staff recommendations to the Commission	SAC-13-14
14. SAC recommendations to the Commission	
15. Other business	
16. Adjournment	