Pacific bluefin tuna; update on indices and other activities by ISC PBFWG



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ISC PBFWG in 2016-17

✤ No stock assessment this year

- Update assessment is scheduled in 2018.
- Update on Indices of Abundance
 - Spawning stock and recruitment



- Additional projections requested by Commissions.
 - \circ For the consideration of the next rebuilding target.
 - Results were explained to the stakeholders.
- Development of an emergency rule based on recruitment index.
 - A possible framework to evaluate impact of the most recent recruit.
 - What the ISC and manager will need to do, respectively.
- Participants

Korea, U.S.A, Mexico, Taiwan, IATTC, and Japan

Monitoring of the Spawner (Longline CPUE)

- Increase slightly for recent years.
- Small spawners appeared from 2011 (Japan) and 2014 (Taiwan) in the spawning ground.





Monitoring of the Recruitment (Troll CPUE)

The Age-0 fish abundance indices of the 2015 is slightly larger than the 2014, but is still at a low level.



Recruitment Monitoring (Jpn troll vessel monitoring)

- To obtain recruitment info in a timely manner.
 - Obtain detailed fishery info directory from Troll vessel.
- Release monitoring results 4 times a year.
- Available New cohorts information.
 - $\circ~$ 2015 YC seems to be low level.
 - $\circ~$ 2016 YC would be higher than 2014 and 2015.





Current Conservation and Management Measures

<u>Initial Rebuilding Target</u>: Rebuilding the SSB to the historical median SSB in 2024 with at least 60% probability.

tRFMO	WCPFC	IATTC
Effort control	Total effort shall stay below the 2002–04 annual average levels.	-
Catch limit	< 30kg: 50% of 2002-04 annual average ≥30kg: 2002-04 annual average	Commercial fisheries : 3,300 tons / Year

Simulating the Performance of Current measures

 Initial Rebuilding Target will be achieved even if the low recruitment continues.



Formulation of a PBF Rebuilding Strategy

- a. Agree on a second rebuilding target (2017).
- b. Revise their respective management measures as needed to achieve the initial target.
- c. Revise or adopt new measures to achieve the second rebuilding target that would become effective after the initial target is met.

Request from WCPFC and IATTC

- To evaluate the expected performance of each of the listed harvest scenarios.
 - 19 Harvesting scenarios
 - 3 Recruitment assumptions
 - 6 candidate rebuilding targets

Projection model overview

Quarterly Age-structured forward projection model

- $\circ~$ Identical model structure with the stock assessment of PBF
- Given growth, maturity and Natural mortality which are identical with those used in the stock assessment
- Age-specific quarterly Fishing mortality of each fleet were assumed to be past particular year in the assessment (e.g. 2002-04 or 2010-2012).
- $\circ~$ Catch upper limit was set in some harvesting scenarios.
- Projection time period
 - $\circ~$ From 2015 to 2034
 - $\circ~$ Initial condition (2015) was based on the stock assessment result.

Uncertainty

• 300 bootstrap replicates followed by 20 recruitments resampling.

Fishing mortality and Catch controls in projection



Future recruitment assumption

Future recruitments were resampled from

- I. Entire time period (1952-2014); "Average recruitment"
- II. Low recruitment period (1980-1989); "Low recruitment"
 - About 60% of the entire time period in average and less variation.
- III. Low recruitment period for first 10 years and Entire time period for thereafter.



Harvesting Scenario #	Fishing mortality		Catch limit in WPO	Fishing mortality	Catch limit	Threshold of small/large fish			
		Small	Large		III EI O	sman/large iisi			
1	F2002-2004	50% 2002-2004	Average 2002-04	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.				
2	Enough high value to fullfill its catch limit (multiply F2010-2012 by two)	50% 2010-2012	50% 2010-12	F2002-2004	50% 2010-12				
3	F2002-2004	50% 2002-2004	Average 2002-04	F2002-2004	50% 2002-04				
4	F2002-2004	45% 2002-2004	No catch limit	F2010-2012 (multiply F2002- 2004 by 1.3451)	No catch limit				
5	F2002-2004	45% 2002-2004	No catch limit	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.				
6	F2002-2004	45% 2002-2004	Average 2002-04	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.				
7	F2002-2004	35% 2002-2004	No catch limit	F2010-2012 (multiply F2002- 2004 by 1.3451)	No catch limit	30 ko			
8	F2002-2004	35% 2002-2004	No catch limit	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.	20 Mg			
9	F2002-2004	35% 2002-2004	Average 2002-04	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.				
10	Fullfill a target with 60%		No catch limit	Fullfill a target with 60%	No catch limit				
11	F2002-2004	50% 2002-2004	"Average 2002-04 catches in WPO (all sizes)" minus "50% 2002-04 catches in WPO (<30 kg)"	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.				
12	F2002-2004	25% 2002-2004	"Average 2002-04 catches in WPO (all sizes)" minus "25% 2002-04 catches in WPO (<30 kg)"	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.				
13			No fishing						
14	F2002-2004	50% 2002-2004	Average 2002-04	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.	85 kg			
15	F2002-2004	50% 2002-2004	Average 2002-04	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.	30 kg			

Six candidates of rebuilding target



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Results (SAC-08 INF E(a) Table 3)

Level of Rebuilding targets and probability to achieve									S Ə	ę	Fu Stoc	el				+~																
Scenario							Speed						1	risk 🗍					in the future													
Harvesting Scenario #	Investing Fishing mortality Catch limit in WPO		Fishing mortality Catch limi in EPO in EPO		Multiplier to F2011-2013	Threshold of small/large fish	Recruitment scenario	Probab	lity of achievin	ng each of the targets	54 t 128,893 t	building	The time exp of the candi SSB levels	pected to achi idate rebuildir with 60% pro from 2014	eve each 1g target 1bability	Probability of th stock is below th median of 2014 : 2024	Probability of SSB falling below the historical lowest at any time during the	Probability of Catch falling below the historical lowest at any time during the	Median SSE at 2034	Expected an Japan	nual yield size cat	in 2024, by egory	area and	Expected and	ual yield in size categ	1 2030, by a gory	rea and	Expected a Japan	mnual yield in size cateş	n 2034, by : gory	area and	
		Small	Large						a	b (c d	l e	f	a b	c d	e f	2024	projection period	projection period		Small La	ge Kores	a Taiwan	EPO	Small Larg	e Korea	Taiwan	EPO {	Small L	arge	Taiwan	EPO
Scenario1 (the current	F2002-2004	50% 2002-2004	Average 2002-2004	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.			Low	61.5%	35.2% 10.	5% 0.1 4% 94.0	% 0.5%	16.7%	10 -	 8 10 0		0.8%	0.0%	0.7%	56466 291478	3969 391 4027 485	5 719	989	3396 3620	3966 415	719	1362	3400 2	3964 41 4026 4	90 719	1439	3395
Scenario?	Enough high value to fullfill its catch limit	50% 2010-2012	50% 2010-12	F2002-2004	50% 2010-12		-	Low	96.8%	98.9% 94.	.6% 29.1	60.0%	98.2%	6 8	10 - 2	0 10	0.4%	1.4%	100.0%	136132	3205 140	4 554	159	3089	3205 140	554	158	3092 3	3205 1/	404 554	158	3093
	(multiply F2010-2012 by two)							Average	100.0%	100.0% 100	.0% 99.8	\$% 100.0%	100.0%	56	7 8 8	8 7	0.0%	1.0%	100.0%	355928	3244 141	6 556	157	3373	3245 141	556	158	3377 3	3246 14	415 556	158	3380
Scenario3	F2002-2004	50% 2002-2004	Average 2002-2004	F2002-2004	50% 2002-04			Low	81.4%	58.9% 23.	.0% 0.5	% 1.3%	34.6%	8 17			0.4%	0.0%	2.1%	69186	3977 428	3 719	1141	2449	3975 447:	719	1524	2449 3	3975 44	184 719	1585	2449
Scenario4	F2002-2004	45% 2002-2004	No catch limit	F2010-2012 (multiply F2002-2004	No catch limit		-	Average	99.8% 6.0%	0.2% 0.0	.8% 96.1 0% 0.0	% 99.1% % 0.0%	99.9% 0.0%	5 6	7 10 9		8.3%	0.0%	0.7%	305244 30192	4026 489 3594 291	6 721 2 647	691	2657 6919	4025 4913 3592 3091	647	793	2661 4 6987 :	1026 49 3592 30	13 721)99 647	821	2662 6970
				by 1.3)			ł	Average	88.8%	75.2% 42.	8% 1.7	% 4.3%	51.9%	7 11			0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	78608	3624 725	4 648	988	17911	3624 816	648	2011	17954 3	3624 82	236 648	2171	18094
Scenario5	F2002-2004	45% 2002-2004	No catch limit	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.			Low	77.7% 99.7%	51.3% 14. 99.9% 99	9% 0.0 1% 84.5	% 0.4%	23.4% 99.6%	8 - 5 7	· ·	 0 7	0.5%	0.0%	0.8%	63808 203902	3609 545	3 647 82 649	1021	3425	3609 631: 3628 2020	647 3 649	1620 5207	3426 3	3608 63 3629 20	.82 647 461 649	5778	3427
							1	Low	80.6%	65.5% 30.	.6% 1.2	% 3.3%	44.7%	8 15			0.4%	0.0%	0.7%	74204	3609 431	0 647	1082	3425	3609 453	647	1530	3426 :	3608 4:	547 647	1599	3427
Scenariob	F2002-2004	45% 2002-2004	Average 2002-2004	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.		1	Average	99.8%	100.0% 99.	.9% 97.2	99.3%	100.0%	5 7	7 9 9	9 7	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	316301	3628 490	2 649	1550	3642	3627 491	649	1725	3646 3	3628 49	16 649	1730	3647
Scenario7	F2002-2004	35% 2002-2004	no catch limit	F2010-2012 (multiply F2002-2004	No catch limit			Low	30.9%	3.8% 0.	1% 0.0	% 0.0%	0.2%				1.3%	0.1%	1.2%	41645	2810 386	5 504	770	9267	2810 423	504	1061	9373 2	2810 42	253 504	1123	9351
				by 1.3)			-	Low	95.5% 97.4%	94.1% 72.	3% 2.3	% 7.9%	82.6%	6 9	13 -	- 12	0.0%	0.0%	2.1%	97792	2829 821	6 504	1226	3470	2829 9170	503	2404	3471 :	2813 9/	503 504	2445	3471
Scenario8	F2002-2004	35% 2002-2004	No catch limit	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.		30 kg	Average	100.0%	100.0% 99.	.9% 94.8	\$% 97.7%	100.0%	5 6	7 9 9	9 7	0.0%	0.0%	1.9%	230687	2832 195	16 506	2121	3681	2833 2284	4 506	5954	3682 :	2833 23	100 506	6548	3683
Scenario9	F2002-2004	35% 2002-2004	Average 2002-2004	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.			Low	97.9%	97.7% 89.	.0% 24.8	\$% 51.2%	95.1%	69	11 -	- 10	0.0%	0.0%	2.2%	130078	2813 480	2 504	1311	3470	2813 487	504	1691	3471 1	2813 48	376 504	1707	3471
	Constant E to ophion			Constant E to ashing		0.700	-	Average	100.0%	100.0% 100	.0% 99.1	% 99.9%	100.0%	5 6	7 8 8	8 7	0.0%	0.0%	1.9%	363095	2832 492	3 506	1629	3684	2833 4924	506	1729	3687 2	2833 49	/24 506	1732	3689
a	"target a" with 60% of its probability.		No catch limit	"target a" with 60% of its probability.	No catch limit	0.798		Average	60.3%	19.0% 2.9	2% 0.0 9% 0.0	% 0.0%	4.7%	10 -			0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	46455	6672 641	7 1259	724	7911	6664 671	1255	1058	7958	6687 6'	770 1261	1095	8001
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0	of its probability.		No caren mint	its probability.	NO CALCH HIMR	0.841	-	Average	90.5%	60.1% 19.	3% 0.1	% 0.4%	28.6%	7 16			0.0%	0.0%	1.2%	66924	6339 731	5 1148	851	8204	6333 775	1144	1320	8267 (6354 78	326 1149	1380	8313
o uario	Constant F to achive "target c" with 60%		No catch limit	Constant F to achive "target c" with 60% of its anthobility	No catch limit	0.554		Low	100.0%	96.9% 60.	.6% 0.1 2% 2.1	% 0.7%	76.0%	5 8	16 -	- 12	0.0%	0.0%	82.1%	87110	3190 575	5 518	866	5098	3188 614	518	1280	5142 3	3178 61	.95 517	1338	5131
- Sa	Constant F to achive			Constant F to achive		0.347	ł	Low	100.0%	100.0% 100	.0% 60.4	87.0%	100.0%	3 5	7 16 1	2 6	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	149949	2360 570	5 352	874	4366	2355 6294	350	1485	4452 2	2356 6	363 350	1591	4459
d	"target d" with 60% of its probability.		No catch limit	"target d" with 60% of its probability.	No catch limit	0.519		Average	100.0%	100.0% 99.	.8% 60.2	1% 78.5%	100.0%	4 6	7 16 1	2 7	0.0%	0.0%	87.4%	152558	4982 914	9 798	1100	8112	4979 1008	0 796	2097	8236	4997 10	221 800	2257	8287
е	Constant F to achive "target e" with 60%		No catch limit	Constant F to achive "target e" with 60% of	No catch limit	0.390		Low	100.0%	100.0% 100	.0% 27.1	60.6%	100.0%	3 6	7 - 1	9 7	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	133800	2559 582	4 389	889	4589	2554 6386	387	1467	4672 2	2555 64	47 387	1564	4679
	of its probability.		"Average 2002-2004 catches in WPO	its probability.		0.562	-	Average	100.0%	29.0% 6	.6% 39.4	% 0.2%	99.5%	4 6	8 - 2	0 7	0.0%	0.0%	69.6%	136490 53683	5216 900 3967 435	8 850	1077	8234	5212 9869 3965 481	848	1999	8350 5	5231 99 3965 4	/99 852 841 719*	2142	8400 3399
Scenario11	F2002-2004	50% 2002-2004	(all sizes) " minus "50% 2002-2004 catches in WPO (<30 kg)"	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.			Average	99.3%	99.8% 99.	.0% 89.1	% 95.6%	99.7%	6 7	8 11 1	10 8	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	263027	4027 849	3 720*	1461	3619	4025 878	720*	1717	3622 /	4026 8	811 720*	1725	3624
			"Average 2002-2004 catches in WPO				1	Low	99.9%	100.0% 99.	.5% 48.0	% 79.4%	99.8%	5 7	9 20 1	15 8	0.0%	0.0%	49.7%	148029	2014 880	3 361*	1475	3507	2014 9579	361*	1709	3508 1	2014 90	591 361*	1713	3508
scenario12	P2002-2004	23% 2002-2004	(an sizes) minus 25% 2002-2004 catches in WPO (<30 kg)"	P2002+2004	5,500 mt comm.			Average	100.0%	100.0% 100	.0% 99.9	% 100.0%	100.0%	5 6	6 8	8 6	0.0%	0.0%	49.4%	362590	2035 108	08 362*	1663	3721	2035 1096	1 362*	1728	3724 1	2035 10	973 362*	1731	3726
Scenario13			No fishi	ng				Low	100.0%	100.0% 100	.0% 100.	0% 100.0%	100.0%	2 4	4 6	6 4	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	375685	0 0	0	0	0	0 0	0	0	0	0	0 0	0	0
					<u> </u>			Average	100.0% 66.7%	40.9% 12	2% 0.2	0% 100.0%	20.6%	2 4	4 6	6 4	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	593325 60317	0 0	0	0	0 3403	0 0 3863 4370	0	0	3408	3865 4	J 0 409 719	0	0
Scenario14	F2002-2004	50% 2002-2004	Average 2002-2004	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.		85 kg	Average	99.4%	99.8% 99.	3% 93.6	5% 98.1%	99.9%	5 7	8 10 1	10 8	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	289143	3947 542	1 720	1499	3617	3939 554	720	1719	3621	3947 5	549 720	1727	3627
Scenario15	F2002-2004	50% 2002-2004	Average 2002-2004	F2002-2004	3,300 mt comm.		30 kg	Low(-2024), Ave(2025-2034)	61.3%	78.2% 55.	4% 13.5	5% 77.4%	95.1%	10 15	17 19 1	19 16	1.0%	0.0%	0.6%	185286	3967 391	1 719	993	3395	4023 473	720	1371	3605	4025 48	\$89 720	1643	3620

Future SSB trajectories in low recruitment assumption



year

SAC-08 INF E(a) Figure 4

Future yield trajectories in low recruitment assumption



year

SAC-08 INF E(a) Figure 6

Supplementary explanations

- Under the average recruitment scenario, all of the harvest scenarios will achieve the target-a (initial rebuilding target by 2024).
- Scenarios not achieving the target-a under low recruitment scenario do not have catch limit for EPO and WPO large fish (4 and 7) or has a higher catch limit for large fish in WPO (11).
- By further reducing the catch limit of small fish, the stock can recover even with the increase of catch of large fish in WPO (scenarios 5, 8, 12).

Supplementary explanations

- Different recruitment scenarios forecast an entirely different level of SSB in future. In terms of the next rebuilding targets (e.g. 20%SSB0) the WG considered that these are longer term objectives and that those rebuilding targets and associated harvest scenarios should be evaluated with the assumed recruitment.
- On the other hand, the evaluation of the initial rebuilding target, which is calculated independent of recruitment, should be conducted based Average on the low recruitment recruitment scenario for precaution. SSB (mt) 200000 30000

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Target-e arget-f

arget-a

2015

2020

2025

Year

Low (2015-2024) 8 average (2025-2034

recruitment

recruitment

Low

2030



Possible framework for emergency rule



Future plan

Update stock assessment

- Scheduled in Feb-Mar of 2018.
- \circ Fishery data from 2015 3rd quarter to 2017 2nd quarter will be updated.
- Spawning biomass, recruitment, and Fishing mortality until 2016 will be assessed.
- \circ Use same assessment model with the 2016 assessment in principle.
- Future projection will also be updated.
- $\circ~$ Next full stock assessment will be in 2020.
- Evaluation of the effect of the most recent recruitment to the stock rebuilding.
 - $\circ~$ Develop the method to estimate the recruitment based on index.
 - $\circ~$ Revise the projection model to incorporate required functions.

Gracious Thank you