

Organization, Priorities and Accomplishments

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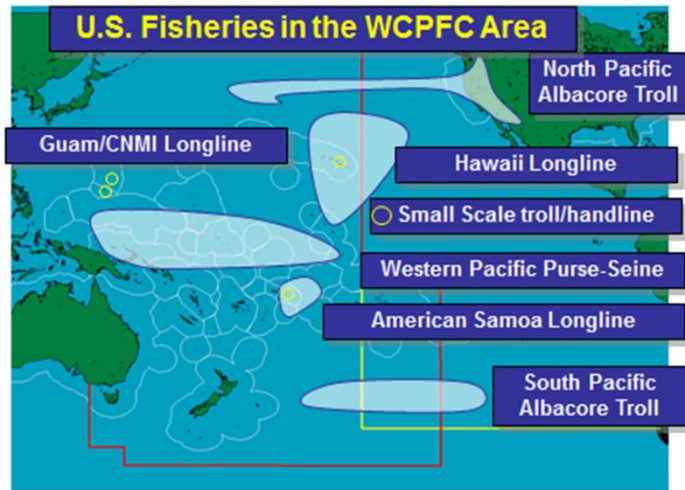


Presentation Topics

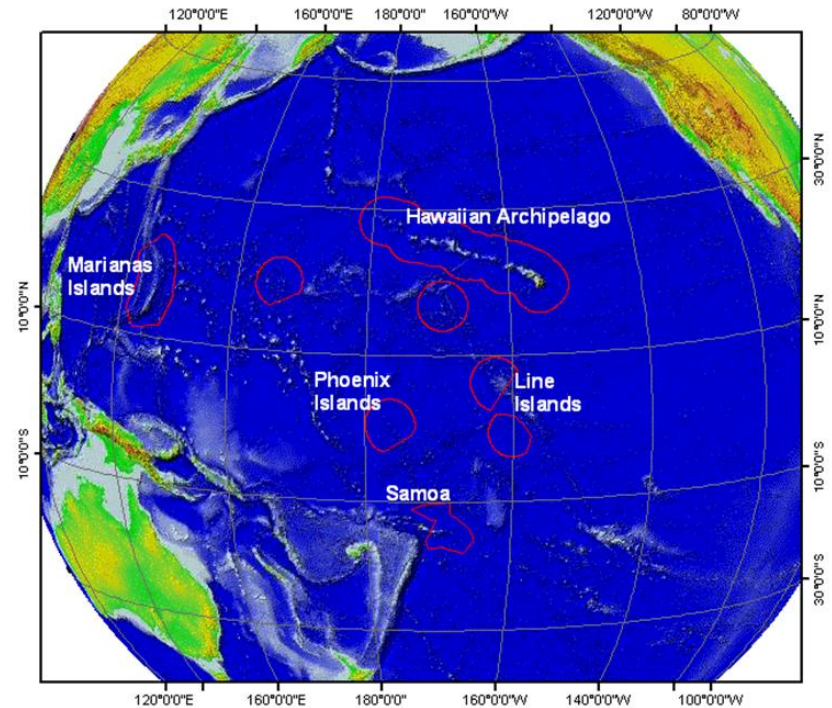
- **Footprint of Responsibility**
- **Overarching Mandates**
- **Priorities and Prioritization**
- **Assessment Process and Scale**
- **Accomplishments and Future Plans**
- **Challenges**



PIFSC Footprint of Responsibility



- Vast Area
- International and Domestic Fisheries
- **Multiple Jurisdictions**





Overarching Mandates

- **Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act**
- **International agreements (RFMOs)**
- **Coral Reef Conservation Act**
- **U.S. government administrative and executive orders (e.g., marine national monuments)**



Priorities and Prioritization

Priorities

- **Assessments**
 - Domestic
 - International
- **Research to Support Assessments**
 - F-I Surveys
 - Model development
- **Capacity Building (Career Development)**
 - Training
 - Collaborations
 - Publications



Priorities and Prioritization

Assessment and Research Prioritization

- **Domestic**
 - Direct discussions with constituents (WPRFMC, industry, etc.)
 - PIRO
- **International**
 - RFMOs and RFOs
 - PIRO
 - WPRFMC
- **Stock Assessment Reviews**
- **National and Regional Research Planning Workshops**



Assessment Process and Scale

Assessment Cycle

- 2-3 Year Planning Horizon
- Benchmarks: 3 years
- Updates: 1-2 years





Accomplishments and Future Plans

Domestic

- MHI Bottomfish (2011, 2014)
- Coral Reef Fish (2014-2015)
- Territory Bottomfish (2012, 2015)

Pelagic

- NP Swordfish (2009, 2010, 2014)
- NP Albacore (2011, 2014)
- NP Striped Marlin (2007, 2012, 2015)
- NP Bluefin Tuna (2010, 2012, 2014)
- NP Blue Shark (2013, 2014)
- Pacific Blue Marlin (2013)
- Wahoo (2016)



Challenges

- **Quality and Timeliness of data – (addressed at 2013 review)**
- **Young staff – extensive mentoring**
- **Number of Requests Relative Available Staff**
- **Increasing External Demands**