

INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION
WORKING GROUP ON ECOSYSTEMS AND BYCATCH
2ND MEETING

La Jolla, California (USA)
05-06 June 2024

DRAFT AGENDA REV (June 03, 2024)

1. Opening of the meeting—9 am PST
2. Adoption of agenda
3. Review of recommendations from the 1st meeting of the Ecosystem and Bycatch Working Group (EBWG)
 - 3a. Brief discussion on circle hook size to resolve C-19-04
4. Updates on Ecosystem and Bycatch Activities
- 5a. Ecosystem
 - 5a1. Ecosystem considerations report (EB 02-01, L. Fuller, IATTC)
 - 5a2. Review of t-RFMO ecosystem research to inform a workplan on EcoCards for the EPO (EB 02-02, L. Fuller, IATTC)
 - 5a3. Inputs for holistic bycatch management strategy evaluation (E. Gilman, Blue Ocean Institute)
 - 5a4. Spatio-temporal distribution of the richness of large pelagic fishes in the Eastern Pacific Ocean (Buenfil-Avila, Aura et al, Instituto Politécnico Nacional-CICIMAR, Mexico)
- 5b. Climate Change
 - 5b1. A climate change workplan for the IATTC (D. Crear, IATTC)
- 5c. Elasmobranchs
 - 5c1. List of shark species of purview to IATTC (re: Res C-23-07) (SAC 15-09, S. Griffiths, IATTC)
 - 5c2. Silky Shark conceptual model (B. Talwar, The Nature Conservancy & Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UCSD)
 - 5c3. Progress in Mobulid ray conservation: A collaboration with the US Fleet. (Moreno/Cronin, ISSF)
 - 5c4. Environmental variability affects the distribution of silky sharks (*Carcharhinus falciformis*) caught in the eastern Pacific Ocean (M. Martinez et al., Instituto Politécnico Nacional-CICIMAR, Mexico)
- 5d. Seabirds
 - 5d1. Synthesizing a network of evidence on a seabird bycatch mitigation measure prescribed by regional fisheries management organizations (A. Ishizaki-West Pac Fish Mgt Council, US)
 - 5d2. Seabird bycatch mitigation trials in U.S. Pacific Ocean longline fisheries (United States).
- 5e. Best Practices
 - 5e1. Best handling and releasing practices: roadmap for vulnerable species (EB 02-03, M. Hutchinson, IATTC Staff)
 - 5e2. Best handling and release practices for sharks in IATTC fisheries (re: Res C-23-07) (SAC 15-11, M. Hutchinson, IATTC Staff)
 - 5e3. Selective sorting grids for improved best handling and release practices of large mobulid rays in tropical tuna purse seiners (J. Murua, AZTI, ISSF, Duke Univ.)
 - 5e4. Updated best handling and release practice guidelines for vulnerable species in tropical tuna purse seine fisheries (J. Murua, AZTI, ISSF)
 - 5e5. Mobulid post-release survival in purse seine fisheries: Implications for best handling and release practices (J. Stewart, The Manta Trust)
6. Recommendations to the Scientific Advisory Committee
7. Other business
8. Adjournment