
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE IATTC AND SPC FOR THE UTILIZATION OF MARK-RECAPTURE DERIVED FROM TAGGING EXPERIEMNTS IN THE EPO WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF RE-OPTIMIZATION OF THE SEAPODYM MODEL

The Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) and the Pacific Community (SPC), Oceanic Fisheries Program (individually referred to as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties"), have agreed to the limited use of the most recent iteration of mark-recapture data derived from extensive tagging efforts in the eastern Pacific Ocean to aid in optimization exercises within the SEAPODYM model ("the Project"). This agreement falls under the framework of the Memorandum of Understanding ("the MOU") agreed by the two organizations, signed February 13, 2023.

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Duration:

1 year, starting February 1, 2024

Project Deliverables:

Quantitative reference models of SKJ and YFT to be used to simulate climate change projections.

Specific Data Use:

Mark-recapture data is provided for the sole purpose of use within, and optimization of, the SEAPODYM model. Any use or analyses outside of those described are not authorized under this agreement.

Signed on behalf of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) and the Pacific Community (SPC):



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