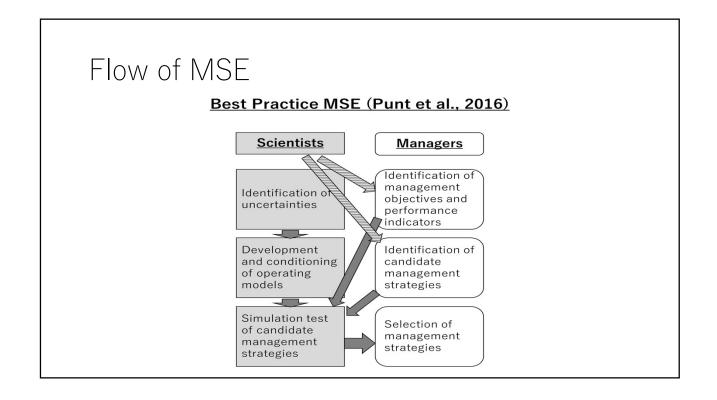
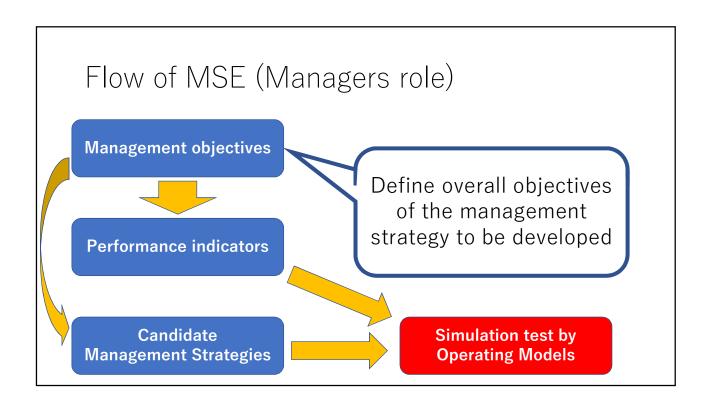


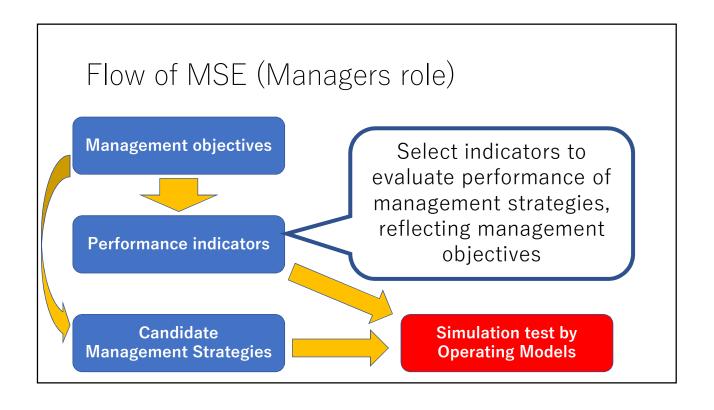
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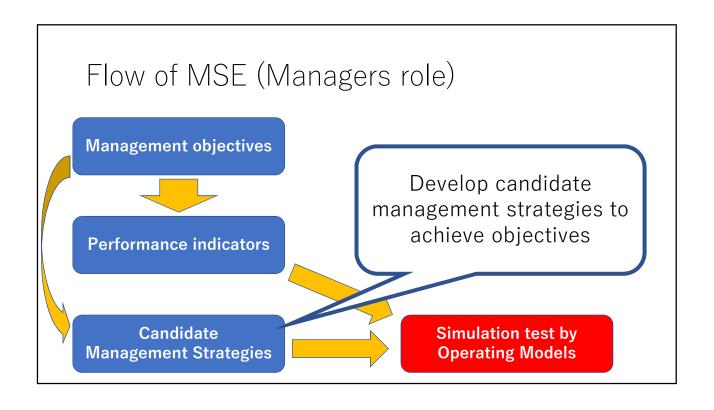
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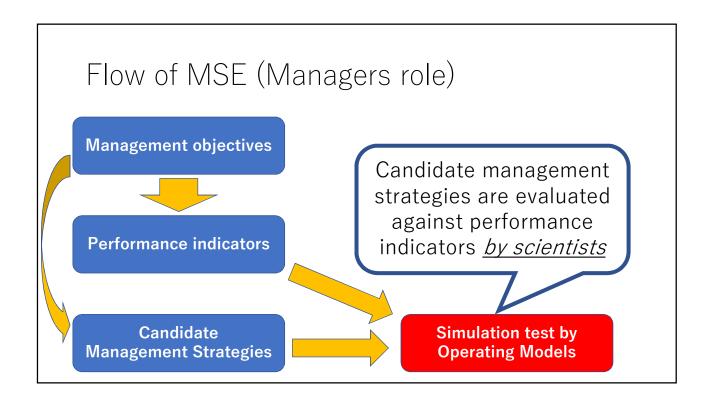
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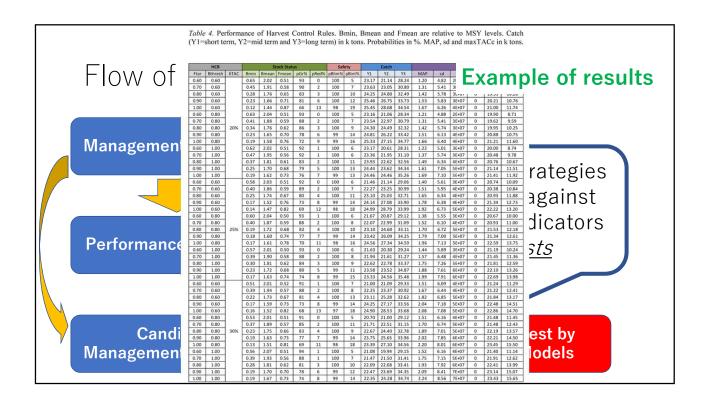


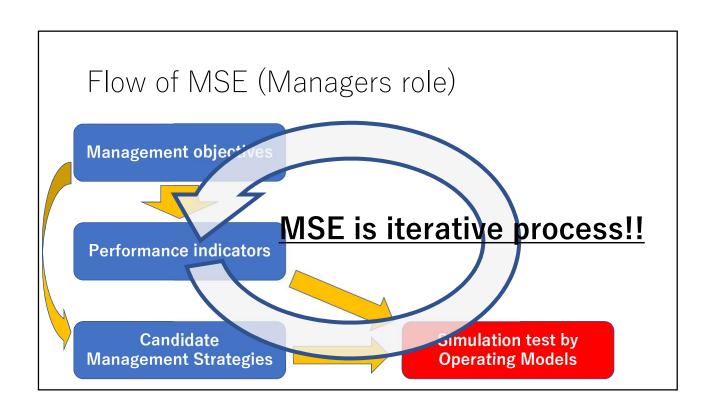






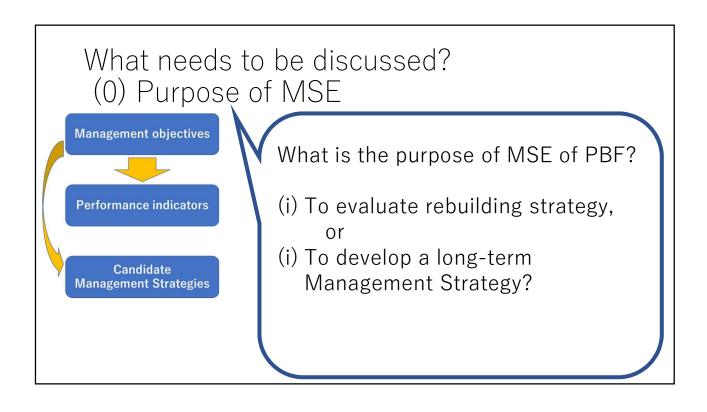






Flow of MSE (Managers role)

- ISC will develop MSE based on WCPFC Harvest Strategy 2017-02, assuming IATTC also supports it.
- MSE is iterative process; you can come back based on the results.
- Managers (and stakeholders) have a large role; they need to develop management objectives, performance indicators, candidate management strategies, etc.
- The purpose of this MSE Workshop is to start discussion on items which need to be developed by managers and stakeholders.



What needs to be discussed?

(1) Management objectives



WCPFC Harvest Strategy (1):

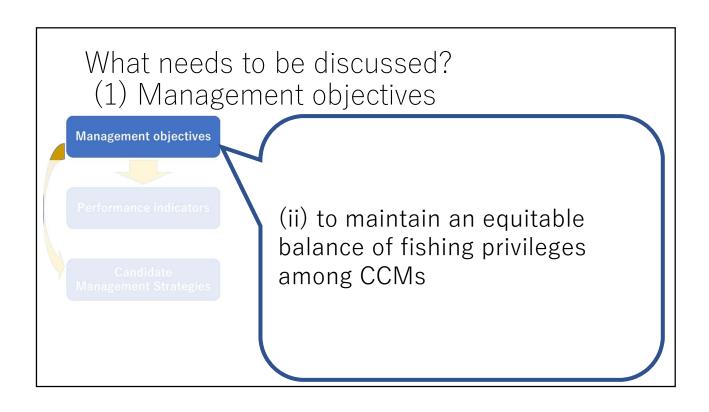
- (i) to support thriving Pacific bluefin tuna fisheries across the Pacific Ocean while recognizing that the management objectives of the WCPFC are to maintain or restore the stock at levels capable of producing maximum sustainable yield,
- (ii) to maintain an equitable balance of fishing privileges among CCMs
- (iii) to seek cooperation with IATTC to find an equitable balance between the fisheries in the western and central Pacific Ocean (WCPO) and those in the eastern Pacific Ocean (EPO).

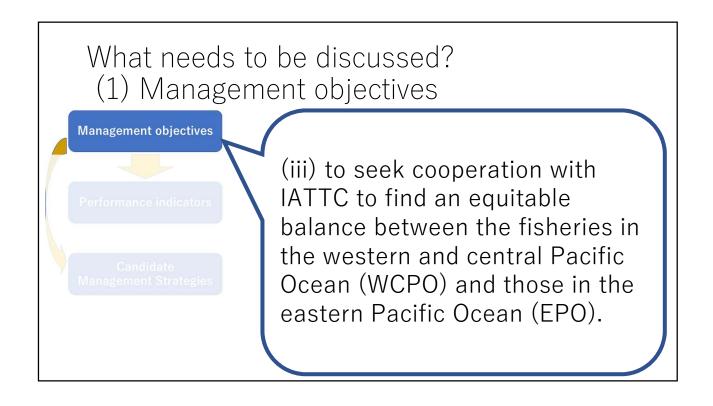
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What needs to be discussed? (1) Management objectives

Management objectives

Candidate
Management Strategies

Are they OK? Any more??

Harvest strategy also says "The NC will develop more refined management objectives as well as limit reference point(s) and target reference point(s) through MSE process."

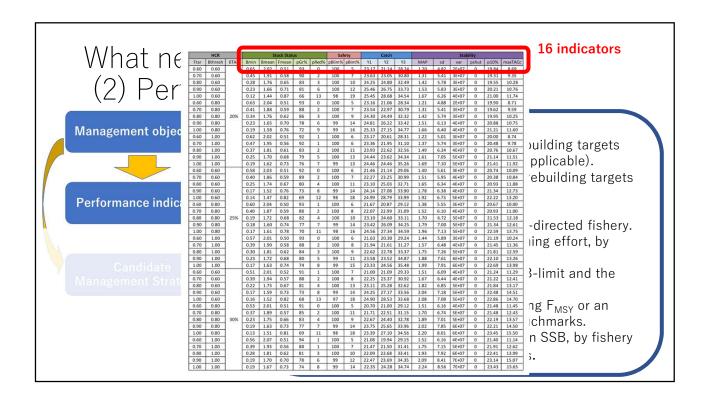
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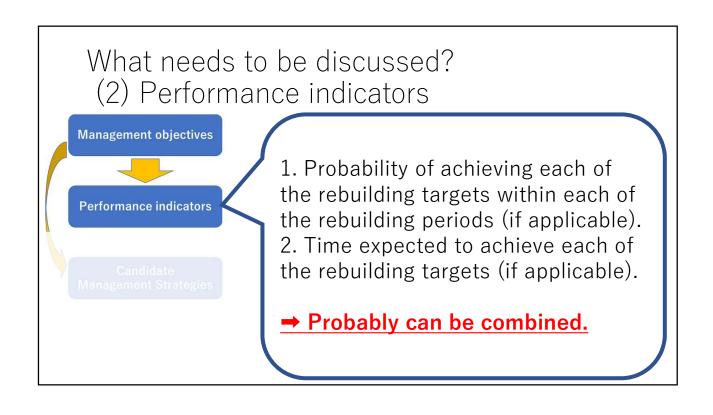
(2) Performance indicators



WCPFC Harvest Strategy (6):

- 1. Probability of achieving each of the rebuilding targets within each of the rebuilding periods (if applicable).
- 2. Time expected to achieve each of the rebuilding targets (if applicable).
- 3. Expected annual yield, by fishery.
- 4. Expected annual fishing effort, by PBF-directed fishery.
- 5. Inter-annual variability in yield and fishing effort, by fishery.
- 6. Probabilities of SSB falling below the B-limit and the historical lowest level.
- 7. Probability of fishing mortality exceeding F_{MSY} or an appropriate proxy, and other relevant benchmarks.
- 8. Expected proportional fishery impact on SSB, by fishery and by WCPO fisheries and EPO fisheries.





What needs to be discussed?

(2) Performance indicators



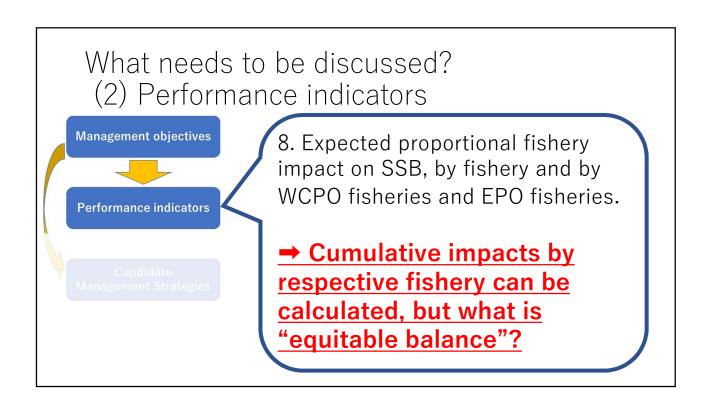
- 3. Expected annual yield, by fishery.
- 4. Expected annual fishing effort, by PBF-directed fishery.
- 5. Inter-annual variability in yield and fishing effort, by fishery.
- → Possible, but will be a lot of indicators.

What needs to be discussed?

(2) Performance indicators



- 6. Probabilities of SSB falling below the B-limit and the historical lowest level.
- 7. Probability of fishing mortality exceeding F_{MSY} or an appropriate proxy, and other relevant benchmarks.
- → Possible, but B-limit is not specified.



(2) Objectives → Performance indicators					
Management Objectives	Performance Indicators	Comments from scientists	Tentative decision by WS		
(i) Support thriving PBF fisheries	Probability of achieving each of the rebuilding targets within each of the rebuilding periods	Can be combined?			
	2. Time expected to achieve each of the rebuilding targets				
	3. Expected annual yield, by fishery.	Possible.			
	4. Expected annual fishing effort, by PBF-directed fishery.	Possible, but indispensable?			
	5. Inter-annual variability in yield and fishing effort, by fishery.	Usually trade off with yield.			
	6. Probabilities of SSB falling below the B-limit and the historical lowest level.	Possible.			
	7. Probability of fishing mortality exceeding F_{MSY} or an appropriate proxy, and other relevant benchmarks.	Possible.			
(ii) Maintain Equitable balance	8. Expected proportional fishery impact on SSB, by fishery and by WCPO fisheries and EPO fisheries.	Cumulative impact can be calculated			

What needs to be discussed? (2) Objectives → Performance indicators Management Objectives Performance Indicators Comments from Tentative decision by Ws

1. Probability of achieving each of the rebuilding targets within each of the rebuilding periods

Can be combined?

2. Time expected to achieve each of the rebuilding targets

This table needs to be discussed in this WS.

But, DO NOT need to be finalized here.

	6. Probabilities of SSB falling below the B-limit and the historical lowest level.	Possible.
	7. Probability of fishing mortality exceeding F_{MSY} or an appropriate proxy, and other relevant benchmarks.	Possible.
(ii) Equitable balance	8. Expected proportional fishery impact on SSB, by fishery and by WCPO fisheries and EPO fisheries.	Cumulative impact can be calculated
(iii) Cooperation		

What needs to be discussed?

(3) Features of candidate MSs



WCPFC Harvest Strategy:

What is the purpose of MSE? (To evaluate rebuilding strategy, or to develop a long-term MS?). Two rebuilding targets specified. Recruitment scenario also specified.

Reference points: To be developed. Designated as "Level 2" species under WCPFC hierarchical approach (i.e. not appropriate to use MSY based approach). RPs not necessarily indispensable, but low limit is desirable for MSE.

<u>Risks</u>: Only specified for rebuilding strategy.

What needs to be discussed?

(3) Features of candidate MSs

Status
Specified ? (To evaluate rebuilding strategies?)
Specified (SSBmed and $20\%SSB_{F=0}$, including timeframe)
Specified for rebuilding strategy
Not specified. Empirical or Model based?
Not specified. Not indispensable, but low limit is desirable to evaluate MSs
e.g. 2 or 3 years
e.g. 10%, 20% or absolute value (e.g. maximum or minimum)
e.g. Area-wise, size-wise, country-wise TAC? Any other?

What needs to be discussed?

(3) Features of candidate MSs

Features	Status		
Purpose	Specified ? (To evaluate rebuilding strategies?)		
Rebuilding targets	Specified (SSBmed and $20\%SSB_{F=0}$, including timeframe)		
Risks	Specified for rehuilding strategy		
Type of These also need to be discussed. Strategy			
Reference points	Not specified. Not indispensable, but low limit is desirable to evaluate MSs		
Duration of TAC	e.g. 2 or 3 years		
Change of TAC	e.g. 10%, 20% or absolute value (e.g. maximum or minimum)		
Any other features	e.g. Area-wise, size-wise, country-wise TAC? Any other?		

Purpose of this Workshop

- WCPFC and IATTC requested ISC to start MSE of Pacific bluefin tuna in 2019 and complete it by 2024.
- In order to conduct MSE, certain inputs and decisions by managers and stakeholders are necessary.
- The purpose of this workshop is to start discussions on those elements.
- The discussion will continue as MSE goes on.

Main topics need to be discussed at this Workshop

- -Purpose of MSE
- Management objectives
- -Performance indicators
- -Features of management strategies
- -Control Room of PBF MSE Joint NC-IATTC meeting?
- -ISC work To be done by ISC PBFWG? Need additional resources.

Something to note

- Management measures are already in place to achieve rebuilding targets based on the results of stock assessment.
- -PBF stock is slowly recovering and recruitment is not collapsing (the results of the latest assessment will be briefly presented tomorrow).
- Indices are monitored annually to detect "unexpected".
- Assessment is conducted (at least) once in two years.
- -MSE requires additional personnel and will stretch ISC resources.

Thank you and welcome to a long journey of MSE

