



## WCPFC Harvest Strategy on PBF (2017-02)

Contains

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### ➡ talks about MSE



### Introduction and scope

This harvest strategy has been prepared in accordance with the Commission's Conservation and Management Measure on Establishing a Harvest Strategy for Key Fisheries and Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean.

HARVEST STRATEGY FOR PACIFIC BLUEFIN TUNA FISHERIES

Although the provisions of this harvest strategy are expressed in terms of a single stock, they may be applied to multiple stocks as appropriate and as determined by the Northern Committee.

### 1. Management objectives

The management objectives are, first, 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, second, to maintain an equitable balance of fishing privileges among CCMs and, third, to seek cooperation with LATTC to find an equitable balance between the fisheries in the western and central Pacific Ocean (WCPO) and those in the eastern Pacific Ocean (EPO).

2. Reference points

# WCPFC Harvest Strategy on PBF (2017-02) <u>ISC,</u> Start to develop MSE in 2019 and have a goal of completing it by 2024. Be requested to organize <u>workshops in early</u> 2018 and <u>2019 to support the identification of specific management objectives, including level of risks and timelines. </u>

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<u>Stakeholders,</u>

- Work with other organizations to identify and evaluate the performance of candidate rebuilding strategies (<u>part of MSE or not</u>?).
- Start to discuss in 2018, and aim to finalize no later than 2019, guidelines for the MSE, including at least one candidate long-term target reference point (TRP), two candidate limit reference points (LRPs) and candidate harvest control rules (HCRs).



