



Second Announcement

Pelagic Fisheries Research Program

PFRP Principal Investigators Workshop

Tuna forage and synoptic estimates of mid-trophic level biomass

November 18 – 19, 2008

Koi Room, Imin Conference Center

University of Hawaii, Honolulu

The Pelagic Fisheries Research Program convenes occasional meetings of scientists currently conducting PFRP sponsored research. The primary purpose of these meetings is to create avenues of collaboration among scientists from different disciplines. In order to place PFRP research in a wider context, the PI meetings are generally organized around specific themes. Previous PI meeting have focused, for example, on tuna aggregation, genetic studies of population structure, economic considerations for international tuna management, scales of spatial variability, ecosystem-based fishery management, secure deployment of electronic tags on large pelagic animals, and “data rescue”.

Several PFRP projects are currently addressing different aspects of tuna forage and ecosystem dynamics. The theme for the 2008 PFRP PI Workshop will be Tuna forage and inserting synoptic estimates of mid-trophic level biomass into Integrated Ocean Observing Systems. Several key questions came up in a preliminary planning session for this workshop and are posted on the PI Workshop Wiki <http://www.soest.hawaii.edu/PFRP/wiki/>. Please feel free to contribute to this on-line discussion.

Please contact John Sibert sibert@hawaii.edu or Dodie Lau lau@hawaii.edu if you are interested in attending or making a presentation to the PI workshop. See <http://www.soest.hawaii.edu/PFRP/> for latest details.