

Standing Committee on Tuna and Billfish

Billfish and By-catch Research Group

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Provisional Agenda

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INTRODUCTION

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SHARK BYCATCH IN WCPO PELAGIC FISHERIES

Country reports on shark bycatch

Archival tagging of oceanic sharks

Mike Musyl

TURTLE BYCATCH IN WCPO PELAGIC FISHERIES

Country reports on turtle bycatch

Turtle bycatch in WCPO fisheries, a brief overview

OFP

Estimate of turtle bycatch in longline fisheries

Rebecca Lewison

NMFS-Industry cooperative research to reduce incidental take and mortality of sea turtles and albatrosses in longline gear

Chris Boggs

How observer programs can help turtle research

Peter Dutton

Pop-up archival tagging of sea turtles

Yonat Swimmer

Effect of depth of longline sets on incidental turtle takes

Jeff Polovina

OTHER SPECIES BYCATCH IN WCPO PELAGIC FISHERIES

Biology of opah and monchong: status report

Donald Hawn

Updated on MULTIFAN-CL stock assessments of North Pacific swordfish, North Pacific blue shark, and Pacific blue marlin

Pierre Klieber

Food web study in the tuna ecosystem of the Western and Central Pacific Ocean

Valerie Allain

OTHER BUSINESS

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TASK LIST FOR SCTB 15

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