



North Pacific Fisheries Commission

NPFC-2021-SSC PS07-MIP03 (Rev. 1)

**North Pacific Fisheries Commission
7th Meeting of the Small Scientific Committee on Pacific Saury
8-11 October 2021
WebEx**

Annotated Indicative Schedule

Date	Tokyo time	Activities	Document
8 Oct	8:45-9:00	Roll call	
	9:00-11:00	<p>Agenda Item 1. Opening of the Meeting <i>The SSC PS Chair, Dr. Toshihide Kitakado, will open the meeting.</i></p> <p>Agenda Item 2. Adoption of Agenda <i>The provisional agenda will be reviewed, amended, as appropriate, and adopted.</i></p> <p>Agenda Item 3. Overview of the outcomes of previous NPFC meetings 3.1 SSC PS06, SC05 and SCsm01 meetings 3.2 COM06 meeting 3.3 Joint SC-TCC-COM working group on MSE for Pacific saury (WG MSE) <i>The Chair and Secretariat will brief participants on the outcomes of previous NPFC meetings and documents relevant to Pacific saury: SSC PS06, SC05, SCsm01, COM06 meetings as well as intersessional activities of a joint SC-TCC-COM working group on MSE for Pacific saury.</i></p> <p>Agenda Item 4. Review of the Terms of References of the SSC PS and existing protocols 4.1 Terms of References of the SSC PS 4.2 CPUE Standardization Protocol 4.3 Stock Assessment Protocol <i>Participants will review and revise, if necessary, the Terms of References of the SSC PS and the existing protocols for CPUE standardization and stock</i></p>	<p>MIP02 and 03.</p> <p>Meeting reports (available on website).</p> <p>TOR. Protocols. (available on website).</p>

		<p><i>assessment.</i></p> <p>Agenda Item 5. Review of Member's fishery status including 2021 fishery</p> <p><i>Each Member will make a presentation on its Pacific saury fisheries operated in the NPFC Convention Area and adjacent EEZs including recent information from 2021.</i></p>	
	11:00-11:15	Break	
	11:15-13:00	<p>Agenda Item 6. Biological and environmental information relevant to Pacific saury</p> <p>6.1 Review of new biological information</p> <p><i>Participants will review new biological information from SSC PS members since the previous meeting.</i></p> <p>6.2 Review of environmental information relevant to Pacific saury distribution and migration</p> <p><i>Participants will review environmental information relevant to Pacific saury distribution and migration.</i></p> <p>6.3 Distribution and migration patterns of juvenile Pacific saury</p> <p><i>Participants will further elaborate on distribution and migration patterns of juvenile Pacific saury to respond to the request from the Commission (CMM 2021-08, Paragraph 14).</i></p> <p>6.4 Recommendations for future work</p> <p><i>Participants will make recommendations for future work.</i></p> <p>Agenda Item 7. Review of the statistical data available</p> <p>7.1 Annual catch</p> <p><i>Participants will review annual catch data.</i></p> <p>7.2 Size and age composition</p> <p><i>Participants will review data on size and age composition.</i></p> <p>7.3 Others</p> <p><i>Participants will review other data, if any.</i></p>	<p>WP03, 10.</p> <p>WP04, 05.</p> <p>WP01, 12.</p> <p>WP09, 11, 15, 17, 19, 20, IP01, 02, 03, 04.</p>

Date	Tokyo time	Activities	Document
9 Oct	9:00-11:00	<p>Agenda Item 8. Review of fishery-independent abundance indices</p> <p>8.1 Review of outcomes of Japanese biomass survey including 2021 estimate <i>Japan will present an updated biomass index for Pacific saury.</i></p> <p>8.2 Conclusion as inputs for stock assessments <i>The SSC PS will agree on the biomass index as an input to stock assessment models.</i></p> <p>8.3 Plans for future surveys by Members <i>Participants will review plans of research surveys to be conducted by Japan and other members in 2022.</i></p> <p>8.4 Recommendations for future work <i>Participants will make recommendations for future work.</i></p> <p>Agenda Item 9. Review of fishery-dependent abundance indices</p> <p>9.1 Member’s CPUE standardization up to 2020 fishery <i>Members will present an update of their standardized CPUE indices up to 2020.</i></p> <p>9.2 Joint CPUE standardization up to 2020 fishery <i>Participants will review an updated joint CPUE index.</i></p> <p>9.3 Recommendations for future work <i>Participants will make recommendations for future work.</i></p>	<p>WP06, 08.</p> <p>WP02, 07, 13, 14, 18.</p> <p>WP16.</p>
	11:00-11:15	Break	
	11:15-13:00	<p>Agenda Item 10. Stock assessment using “provisional base models” (BSSPM)</p> <p>10.1 Review of the key considerations and recommendations from the SCsm01 meeting</p>	

		<p><i>Participants will review the key considerations and recommendations from the SCsm01 meeting.</i></p> <p>10.2 Specification of models</p> <p><i>Participants will review the specifications of the BSSPM agreed at the previous meetings.</i></p> <p>10.3 Workplan and timeline until the SSC PS08</p> <p><i>Participants will determine tasks and set timelines until the SSC PS08 meeting.</i></p>	
--	--	---	--

Date	Tokyo time	Activities	Document
10 Oct	9:00-11:00	<p>Agenda Item 11. New stock assessment models</p> <p>11.1 Specification of models and development of software</p> <p><i>Participants will discuss specification and development of software for new stock assessment models.</i></p> <p>11.2 Workplan and timeline until the SSC PS08</p> <p><i>Participants will determine tasks and set timelines until the SSC PS08 meeting.</i></p>	WP05, 21, 22.
	11:00-11:15	Break	
	11:15-13:00	<p>Agenda Item 12. Toward setting of biological reference points (RPs) and development of Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE)</p> <p>12.1 Initial discussions on RPs and MSE</p> <p>12.2 Recommendations for future work</p> <p><i>Participants will make initial discussions on reasonable options of RPs and an MSE process for Pacific saury. Participants will then make recommendations for future work toward setting of RPs and development of MSE.</i></p>	

Date	Tokyo time	Activities	Document
11 Oct	9:00-11:00	Agenda Item 13. Other matters 13.1 Draft agenda and priority issues for next meeting 13.2 Other <i>Participants will agree on priority issues for the next SSC PS meeting and discuss other issues, if any.</i>	
	11:00-11:15	Break	
	11:15-13:00	Agenda Item 14. Adoption of Report <i>The report of the meeting will be prepared, reviewed and adopted by consensus.</i> Agenda Item 15. Close of the Meeting <i>The Chair will make concluding remarks and close the meeting.</i>	