

## Change of Team Notification

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### **US Pacific Tuna Group Purse Seine FSC and FAD Set Fishery MSC Fishery Scope Extension EPO Bigeye and Addition of Two Vessels**

Dear MSC,

The P1 assessor for the above noted fishery has been changed as a new P1 assessor has been hired by SCS Global Services. The former P1 assessor was Dr. Gerard DiNardo, who has been replaced by Dr. Kari Fenske. This change took place at the time of the publication of the ACDR.

Dr. Kari Fenske meets the P1 requirements as outlined below:

Dr. Kari Fenske holds a Ph.D. in fisheries from the University of Alaska Fairbanks (2022), and a M.S. in Marine, Environmental and Estuarine Sciences from the University of Maryland (2009). Kari Fenske has five years of work experience as a research fishery scientist at NOAA Fisheries, three years of work experience as a research scientist and fishery biologist for state fisheries agencies, and two years of work experience coordinating the fishery stock assessment process for a US Fishery Management Council. Dr. Fenske conducted the fishery stock assessment model for North Pacific dusky rockfish, and co-authored the North Pacific sablefish stock assessment for the Alaska Fisheries Science Center. Her Ph.D. research included the development of a spatial stock assessment model and analyses of harvest apportionment strategy for North Pacific sablefish.

Kari served as the US science representative to the science committee and small science committees of the North Pacific Fisheries Commission (NPFC) for 2017-2021, and served on the North Pacific Fishery Management Council's Scientific and Statistical Committee for one term (2015-2016). Kari has participated in or led workshops and symposia on Management Strategy Evaluations, modeling selectivity in fish stock assessments (CAPAM), data weighting (CAPAM), stock status determination criteria, application of harvest control rules, characterizing uncertainty in stock assessment, and adapting to change in fisheries stock assessment science.

Kari Fenske's experience satisfies the MSC requirements for a Team Member as described in PC1.3 (Annex PC; FCP v2.3):

- With relevant degree (Ph.D., University of Alaska Fairbanks (2022); M.S. University of Maryland (2009); B.S. University of Wisconsin Madison (2000) and over 11 years of experience with management or research experience in a marine conservation biology, fisheries, natural resources or environmental management position, verified by CV.
- Having passed the MSC compulsory training modules for Team Members within the last 5 years (2024), verified by Certificate.
- Having affirmed they have no conflict of interest in conducting this assessment

Thank you,  
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