Pacific Islands Oceanic Fisheries Management Project

Pre FFC Meeting of the Pacific Islands OFM Project
17 Oct 2007
Apia, Samoa
Outcome 2 - Law, Policy and Institutional Reform, Realignment and Strengthening

Sub-components:
- Legal Reform
- Policy Reform
- Institutional Reform
- Compliance Strengthening
Key Outcome

- Realigned and Strengthened national compliance programs; improved regional MCS coordination; strategies for Commission compliance programs; enhance national compliance capacities (inspection, observation, patrol, VMS investigation)
Aim:
- Ensure fishing activities comply with established MCS requirements and IUU fishing deterred.

Outcomes:
- Fishing activities comply with MCS requirements,
- Coordinated MCS to deter IUU fishing.
Output 2.4.1. Strategies, plans and proposals for realigning and strengthening national oceanic fisheries compliance programs.

Key Activities

- Regional WCPFC Consultation, Honiara, August 2007 covered MCS issues to prepare WCPFC Guam
- 11th MCS WG Meeting March 2008
- WCPFC HSBI Presentation boarding procedures, Nadi, April 2008
- FFA sub-regional workshop, Kiribati, (VMS) June 2008
Output 2.4.2. Arrangements for regional coordination of monitoring, control and surveillance (MCS) activities.

Key Activities

- Assistance, support for surveillance operations
  - Tonga (Kurukuru) 2007
  - RMI (Big Eye) 2007
  - Palau/FSM (Rabalang) March 2008
  - Review of Niue Treaty, October 2007, Cook Islands
  - Advice/assistance to Cook Islands, Kiribati (fishing activities of Ecuadorian vessels and request to US to apprehend unlicensed Japanese LL)
Output 2.4.3. Strategies and proposals for regional compliance measures and programs

Key Activities

- Formation of the FFA TCC WG-Preparations for TCC-3, Sept 2007, FSM
- Regional MCS Strategy Workshop, Brisbane, Feb, 2008
- 11th MCS Working Group Meeting, March-April 2008 (advice on trans-shipment, port state responsibilities, regional observer programme, catch documentation scheme)
- MCS projects to inform development of MCS Strategy
Key Activities

- Regional Evidence Training and investigation course, PNG, August, 2007
- Kiribati and Fiji in country prosecution and dockside boarding workshop, Dec 2007 and April-May 2008
- Tuvalu Fellowship April-May 2008
Impacts

- WCPFC VMS online
- Influence in TCC outcomes
- Trained ROPs
- National VMS capacity increasing
- MCS Strategy – national consultations
- MCS Strategy- 12\textsuperscript{th} WG
- Country Attachments
- VMS – online April 2009 WCPFC/ National VMS training
- ROP  100% observer coverage
- CDS- EU requirements