

Recommendations to the Council from the 66th Meeting of the Scientific and Statistical Committee

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Indigenous Issues

Western Pacific Sustainable Fisheries Fund

The purpose of the marine conservation plan for the Western Pacific Sustainable Fisheries Fund is to identify marine conservation objectives in the Council's area and list projects that will help fulfill those objectives. The SSC noted that the costs of several of the proposed projects in the draft plan have been underestimated and suggested that the fund may be more effective if it supported a more limited set of projects. The SSC also recommended that Council staff examine the acceptability of redesigning the plan so that various objectives are set forth. Specific projects to fulfill those objectives would be solicited at a later date. In the case where specific projects are listed, the plan should refer to the Council's Milestones document to support the inclusion of those projects.