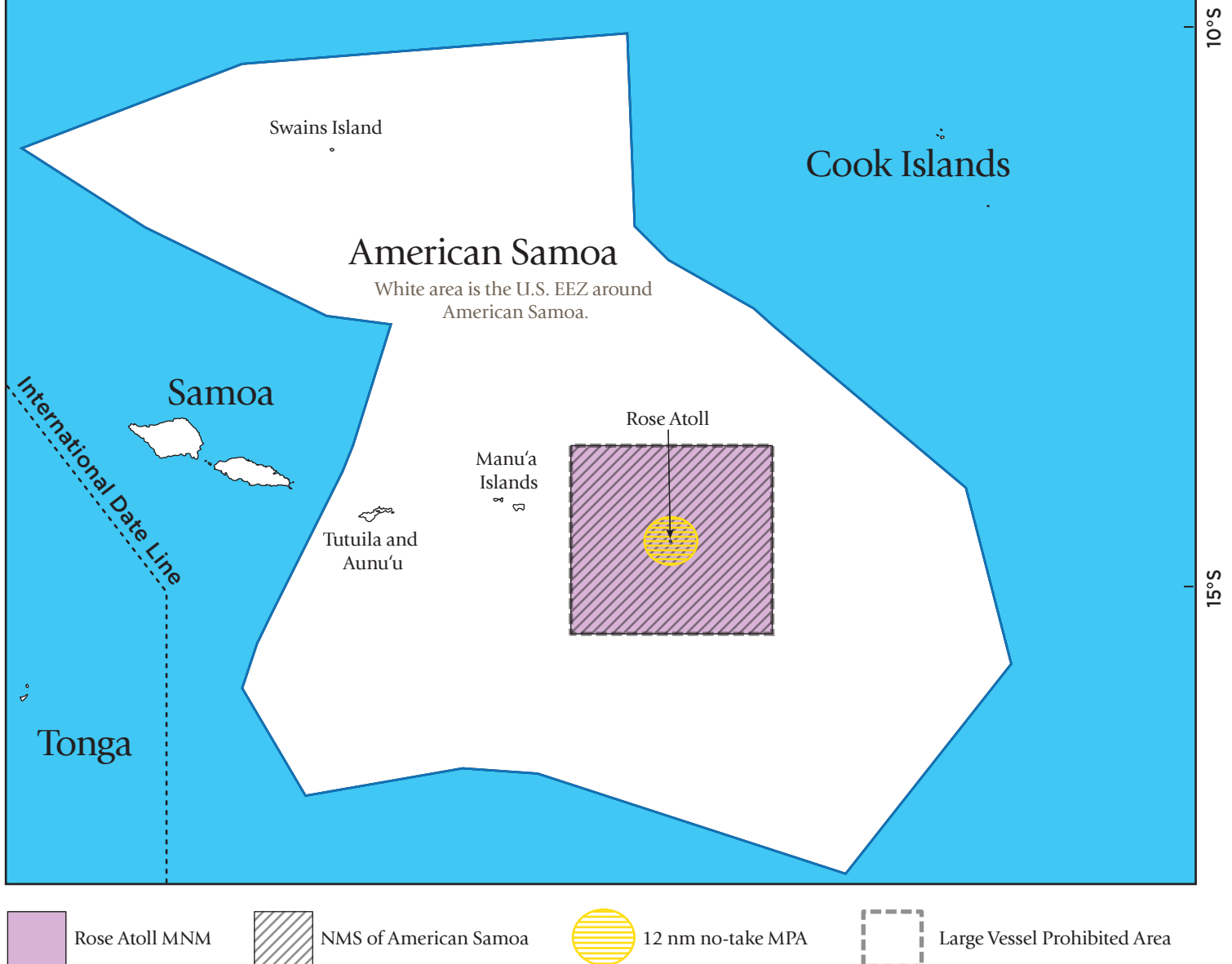


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Fishery Management in the Rose Atoll Marine National Monument Area, American Samoa



1983 WPRFMC Precious Coral Fishery Management Plan (FMP) prohibited bottom-trawling, dredging and other potentially destructive and non-selective gear.

1983 WPRFMC Crustaceans FMP implemented permit, data reporting and observer requirements.

1986 WPRFMC Bottomfish FMP prohibited destructive fishing gear techniques such as trawl nets and bottom-set gillnets. An amendment in 1987 established a limited-entry program.

1987 WPRFMC Pelagic FMP prohibited drift gillnet gear within the U.S. EEZ unless authorized by an experimental fishing permit.

2001 WPRFMC Coral Reef Ecosystem FMP established a 12 nm no-take marine protected area around Rose Atoll.

2002 Large Vessel Prohibited Area (LVPA) prohibits vessels longer than 50 feet from fishing within 50 nm of shoreline.

2006 WPRFMC established a limited-entry system for the American Samoa longline fishery requiring federal permits, logbooks and a vessel monitoring system. A mandatory federal observer program was also implemented for the fishery.

2009 Rose Atoll Marine National Monument, established by Presidential Proclamation 8337, allows subsistence

and recreational fishing outside of 12 nm with a federal permit. No commercial fishing.

2012 Initially protecting only Fagatele Bay in 1986, the **NOAA National Marine Sanctuary of American Samoa** was expanded to overlay the Monument, and nearby Vailulu'u Seamount.



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