



Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council

CCC Meeting, February 19-20, 2014

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- 1. ACLs**
- 2. Leveling the Playing Field in International Fisheries**
- 3. Fisheries Development**
- 4. Protected Species**

Annual Catch Limits

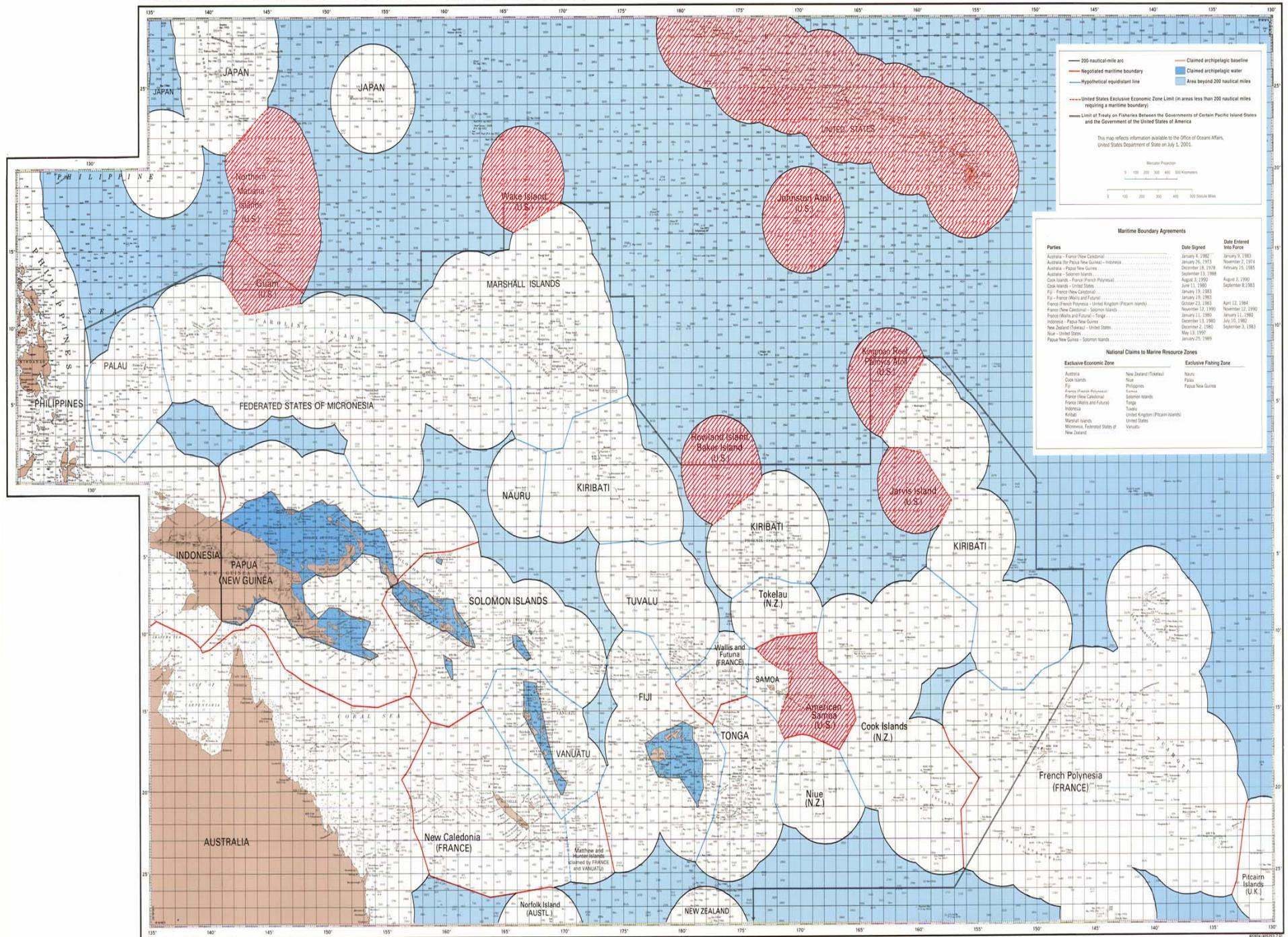
- Improving model based approaches and species level aggregations for ABC/ACL Specifications
- Improving accountability measures by real-time or near real-time data collection and synthesis
- Improve Federal/State coordination to implement complimentary rule-making

Leveling the Playing Field in the International Fishery Arena

- Seek better compliance by other WCPFC Commission members, especially provision of operational level data similar to US
- Continue to address the issues stemming from IUU Fishing
- Development of Spatially Explicit Management Measures for Bigeye Tuna in WCPO
- Evaluate True Extent of PICs ‘Disproportionate Burden’ from WCPFC CMMs

Claimed and Potential Maritime Zones in the Central and South Pacific

3rd revision, July 2001



Fisheries Development

- Evaluate underutilized fishery resources (skipjack tuna, bottomfish) including potential markets
- Evaluate infrastructural gaps/needs preventing fishery development in US Pacific Islands



Protected Species

- Improve Council involvement and transparency in ESA Section 7 consultations through implementing the ESA Working Group recommendations
- Continue to request that NMFS improve the scientific rigor in marine mammal stock assessments