## NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE (NMFS) REPORT ON THE INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT OF HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES (HMS)

## Agreement on the International Dolphin Conservation Program (AIDCP) and Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) Meetings

The upcoming meetings on the AIDCP and IATTC will take place between August 16 and August 30 in San Diego, California. U.S. priorities for these meetings can be found in the June 2018 briefing book (<u>June 2018 G.2.c</u>). The U.S. delegation will be comprised of staff from NMFS West Coast Region and other NMFS offices, representatives from Department of State Commissioners, and other U.S. stakeholders. NMFS will submit a Supplemental Report with the outcomes to the September Council briefing book after the meetings conclude. The meeting schedule is as follows:

AIDCP August 16-17
IATTC Committees and Working Groups
IATTCPlenary August 20-23
August 24, 27-30

## Pacific Bluefin Tuna (PBF) Management Meetings

The Northern Committee (NC) and Joint IATTC-Western Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) NC Working Group (Joint Working Group) are scheduled to meet concurrently during the week of September 3, 2018, and will discuss PBF management. Additionally, a technical meeting on a Catch Documentation Scheme (CDS) for PBF is scheduled during that same week. Meeting information can be found on the NC14 webpage; proposals and other documents will be posted there as they become available. NMFS representatives from the West Coast Region and Pacific Islands Regional Office will be attending these meetings. NMFS will submit a Supplemental Report with the outcomes to the September Council briefing book after the meetings conclude. The meeting schedule is as follows:

CDS Technical Meeting September 3 NC and Joint Working Group September 4-7