

**FIP Annual Meeting Agenda**  
**Boston Waterfront Weston / Alcott Room**  
**Tuna & Large Pelagics**  
**Sponsor; Tuna Marindo Jaya**  
**Saturday March 10, 2018**  
**8:00AM – 10:00 AM**

**Review 2018 work plan**

Supply Chain changes – Adi Widjaja

Procurement of large pelagics will expand to other countries. Primary reason is the backlog in licenses renewals at KKP. Some fleet vessels tied up for 24 months due to license review process at KKP.

**Review 2018 budget**

Accepted unanimously

**Discuss uploading of FIP to Fisheriesprogress.org – Kristen Sherwood/Fish Choice**

Benefits/Liabilities

Benefits are FIPs can be compared using common criteria.

Liability is that common criteria cannot keep up with rate of innovation in FIPs and will eventually discourage industry FIPs. Also FIP rules are creating more admin costs and reducing money spent on the water.

Technical assistance

FP very accommodating in providing technical assistance to meet standard format uploading.

### **Update on NOAA Trusted Partners Program – Erin Taylor / FishWise**

Great interest to avoid what was described as US market export fatigue. Lot of discussion around real costs of doing biz in the US compared to real costs of EU. No careful analysis but the conversation is growing.

#### **Discussion topics:**

Where are FIPs going?

Consensus is that FIPs will consolidate into country wide where possible. Individual FIPs are scattered and fragmented and increasing in cos. Emerging world countries have little capacity to help. National FIPs could drive industry to lead policy.

Are they useful as a market tool?

No evidence that merchants use FIPs for buying decisions. Buyers who claim FIPs as a requirement to become a vendor continue to buy from grandfathered vendors without FIPs.

What is the end game for FIPs?

Lack of national capacity for fisheries management creates an imperative for industry to lead CBFM. FIPs should be focused on CBFM and not stock assessment. MSC cert or stock assessment is part of CBFM however CBFM is not necessarily a part of MSC cert.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30.