



CCSBT-EC/0310/06

3. Draft Budget 2004

Purpose

To agree budgets for 2004.

Discussion

A draft general budget is at Attachment A.

A draft special budget for the surface fishery tagging program is at Attachment B.

General Budget

The draft general budget for 2004 provides for total expenditure of \$1,715,250 compared to a revised budget of \$1,576,576 in 2003 – an increase of 9%. A summary table with comparisons with expenditure in 2003 is shown in Attachment A.

In preparing the draft budget the Secretariat has:

- assumed an exchange rate of \$AUS 1 = 66US cents
- used this exchange rate to calculate salary expenses under the UN system
- applied a price increase of 8% to some operating expenses based on past history

The main reasons for the increase are:

- the higher cost of holding meetings in Korea compared with New Zealand
- the estimates provide for simultaneous translation of all scientific meetings – this is strongly preferred by scientists and saves considerable time during scientific meetings
- the costs of Indonesian participation
- the rescheduling of the 5th ERS Working Group Meeting from 2003 to 2004
- tagging program coordination costs have risen compared to 2003 when expenditure was artificially low because existing stocks were used
- Secretariat travel costs will increase due to the meeting venues in Korea and an assumption that the Extended Commission will want the Secretariat to develop a presence at WCPFC meetings

The increases will be offset by;

- reductions in Secretariat staffing costs
- completion of the ERS pamphlets in 2003 with no outlays in 2004

However, despite the increases in expenditure, contributions from members are estimated to decline by 6% because a significant carryover from 2003. Under the CCSBT Financial Regulations these moneys are transferred to 2004 and offset against members' contributions.

Members have expressed the view in the past that they would wish their contributions to be as stable as possible. To maintain member contributions at the same level as in 2003 would require an increase in expenditure of \$92,141. Options for increasing expenditure by this amount include:

- transfer the amount to the special budget for the CCSBT surface fishery tagging program
- increase the effort on tag recovery by personal contact in Mauritius and Cape Town with the Taiwanese fleet

In terms of Secretariat operations, the proposed budget for 2004 will allow:

- holding the 5th ERS Working Group Meeting in New Zealand in February 2004
- convening and managing all other meetings in 2004 in Korea at venues nominated by Korea
- a continuation of the 2003 level of Secretariat support in 2004
- simultaneous interpretation of all scientific meetings
- engagement with the WCPFC
- delivery of the 3rd year of the CCSBT surface fishery tagging program
- maintenance of the CCSBT database
- management of the TIS scheme

Special Budget

This budget is to meet the cost of deploying tags in the CCSBT surface fishery tagging program. A summary of the budget is at Attachment B.

The draft budget for 2004 provides for total expenditure of \$561,325 compared with \$555,922 in 2003 - an increase of 1%. The increase is caused by:

- small increases in vessel hire charges in Western Australia
- expenditure in 2003 was below budget while the budget for 2004 assumes full expenditure.

The draft budget includes revenue of \$85,381 from the net proceeds of selling dead fish from the Australian east coast pilot tagging program. This is \$54,044 less than in 2003 and member contributions are therefore budgeted to increase from \$422,575 to \$469,866. As discussed above this could be met from a transfer from the general budget if the Extended Commission wished to maintain member contributions at the same level as in 2003.

The allocation of the cost among members has been made using the funding formula set out in the Convention as decided at CCSBT9. New Zealand wishes to have this decision re-considered.

Recommendation

The Extended Commission:

- consider the draft General Budget set out in Attachment A
- consider the draft Special Budget set out in Attachment B

Prepared by the Secretariat

Attachment A			
COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF SOUTHERN BLUEFIN TUNA			
DRAFT GENERAL BUDGET - 2004 (CCSBT10)			
		ESTIMATE	
INCOME			
		<u>2004</u>	<u>2003 Revised</u>
			<u>Variation</u>
Contributions from members			
		1,349,866	1,442,007
			-92,141
Japan		489,463	521,726
			-32,263
Australia		435,584	464,266
			-28,682
New Zealand		109,279	116,275
			-6,996
Korea		157,770	167,988
			-10,218
Fishing Entity of Taiwan		157,770	171,752
			-13,982
Advance from members		0	27,493
			-27,493
Staff Assessment Levy		120,000	110,000
			10,000
Carry over from 2003		230,384	205,460
			24,924
Interest on investments		15,000	12,000
			3,000
ERS Budget transferred from 2002		0	65,000
			-65,000
TOTAL GROSS INCOME		1,715,250	1,861,960
			-146,710
EXPENDITURE			
			0
ANNUAL MEETINGS - (CCSBT11)		88,950	73,750
			15,200
Interpretation Costs		27,500	25,000
			2,500
Hire of venue		9,600	4,000
			5,600
Hire of Equipment		11,000	13,000
			-2,000
Miscellaneous Costs (Inc. Sc Cte Chair attending Annual Meeting)		28,850	22,250
			6,600
Publication and Translation		3,000	2,000
			1,000
Indonesian Participants costs		9,000	7,500
			1,500
			0
9th SC & 5th SAG		291,210	195,950
			95,260
Interpretation Costs		50,000	32,550
			17,450
Hire of venue		24,700	9,600
			15,100
Hire of equipment		16,000	14,500
			1,500
Hire of Consultants - SAG Chair, SC Chair, Advisory Panel		168,010	127,000
			41,010
Miscellaneous Costs		13,000	6,300
			6,700
Publication and translation		7,000	6,000
			1,000
Indonesian participants costs		12,500	0
			12,500
			0
SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS		238,690	163,555
			75,135
3rd Management Procedure Workshop		197,690	163,555
			34,135
5th ERS Working Group		41,000	0
			41,000
			0
Special Project		228,500	255,121
			-26,621
Management Strategy Development		58,000	84,000
			-26,000
Inter-sessional work on SRP		32,000	0
			32,000
Tagging program coordination		83,500	52,000
			31,500
Development of ERS pamphlet		0	65,000
			-65,000
Managagement procedure consultation		55,000	54,121
			879
			0
SECRETARIAT COSTS		771,900	799,200
			-27,300
Secretariat Staff Costs		439,000	410,000
			29,000
Staff Assessment Levy		110,000	110,000
			0
Employer Super/Social security		87,000	75,000
			12,000
Worker's Compensation/ travel/contents Insurance		20,000	18,900
			1,100
Travel/transport - O/seas and domestic		77,900	74,300
			3,600
Miscellaneous Translation of Commission and Committee Reports		24,000	24,000
			0
Training		2,000	2,000
			0
Provision for professional staff replacements - recruitment/departure, home leave allowance, repatriation grant and removal costs		12,000	85,000
			-73,000
			0
OFFICE MANAGEMENT COSTS		96,000	89,000
			7,000
Office lease		34,000	32,000
			2,000
Office running costs		33,500	35,000
			-1,500
Provision for new/replacement assets		10,000	4,000
			6,000
Telephone/communications		11,000	12,000
			-1,000
Miscellaneous		7,500	6,000
			1,500
			0
			0
TOTAL GROSS EXPENDITURE		1,715,250	1,576,576
			138,674

* exchange rate used for this budget is AS=US\$0.66 (as of September 2003)

COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF SOUTHERN BLUEFIN TUNA

2004 SPECIAL BUDGET-1 (SRP TAGGING PROGRAM (Surface Fishery))

	ESTIMATE <u>2004</u>
INCOME	
<u>Contributions from member</u>	469,866
Japan	170,374
Australia	151,620
Korea	54,917
Fishing Entity of Taiwan	54,917
New Zealand	38,038
<u>Carry over from 2003 Special Fund for CCSBT surface fishery tagging program</u>	6,078
<u>Proceeds from Special Fund for pilot east coast tagging program</u>	85,381
TOTAL GROSS INCOME	561,325
EXPENDITURE	
<u>Tag Deployment</u>	609,000
vessel charter	331,500
tag application	229,825
TOTAL GROSS EXPENDITURE	561,325