



CCSBT-EC/0410/06

3. Draft Budget 2005

Purpose

To agree budgets for 2005.

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 2005 provides for total expenditure of \$1,774,805 compared to the original budget of \$1,750,450 in 2004 – an increase of about 1%.

Comparisons with estimated actual expenditure in 2004 are shown in Attachment A. The draft expenditure budget for 2005 represents a 9% increase over the revised estimate for 2004.

In preparing the draft budget the Secretariat has:

- assumed an exchange rate of \$AUS 1 = 65US cents
- assumed all meetings except the Commission meeting and the Scientific Committee meeting are held in Taiwan
- used a per diem rate calculated from those of other international bodies and national government for estimating meeting expenses (There are no UN rates for Taiwan)
- applied a range of small price increases to expenditure items
- assumed there will be an increase in the UN salary scales (there has been no increase over the last two years)
- assumed that the Extended Commission will adopt the three meeting option proposed by the Extended Scientific Committee for finalising the management procedure, which involves a 4th Management Procedure Workshop and small technical group meeting in 2005

The main reasons for the increase are:

- meeting expenses are higher in Taiwan than in Korea
- the ERS working group meeting will cost considerably more than the ERS working group meeting held in New Zealand in 2004
- Secretariat salaries and related expenses have increased because of staff movement up the UN salary scales and an assumption that staff salary levels will be adjusted for price movements in early 2005

- tagging program coordination expenses have increased to expand tag recovery activity and to reflect higher reward expenses as the accumulated number of tags released increases
- provision has been made for a small technical workshop for management procedure development
- Indonesian participation at meetings in 2005 is funded

However, despite the increases in expenditure being constrained within the 10% limit, contributions from members are estimated to increase by almost 15% because the carry over from 2004 will not be as large as the previous year.

To reduce the increase in members' contributions to 10% would require reductions in outlays of about \$61,103. To reduce members' contributions to the 2004 revised level would require a \$191,311 reduction in expenditure.

Options for reducing expenditure are limited and include:

- hold the Extended Commission's meetings at a lower cost venue such as the headquarters in Canberra – this would be contrary to the decision taken at CCSBT10
- defer the ERS Working Group meeting to early 2006 – saving of \$66,920
- make no provision for Indonesian participation at meetings in 2005 – saving of \$20,700

An alternative would be to apply \$150,000 of reserves to the 2005 budget and decide in 2005, based on the circumstances existing at the time, whether to recover the \$150,000 in 2006 budget. The effect of this option would be to smooth out the budget over 2004 to 2006 close to the 10% limit agreed by the Extended Commission. The draft budget in Attachment A has been prepared on the assumption that this option would be taken up.

Special Budget

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

The draft budget for 2005 provides for total expenditure of \$574,000 compared with a budget of \$561,325 in 2004 - an increase of 2%. The increase is caused by anticipated increases in tag deployment fees in 2005. Vessel charter costs will remain at 2004 levels.

The draft budget does not include the revenue of \$50,223 from the net proceeds of selling mortalities from the Australian east coast pilot tagging program. This will be incorporated in the budget if Australia wishes to apply the proceeds to the tagging program. Member contributions are therefore budgeted to increase from \$479,106 to \$548,250.

Member contributions could be retained at 2004 levels by using a further \$69,144 of reserves, cutting back on the size of the tagging program in 2005, using the savings from not providing for Indonesian participation or deferral of the ERS workshop to 2006. Cutting back on the tagging program would be inconsistent with the advice of the Extended Scientific Committee that the surface fishery tagging program has a very high priority.

The allocation of the cost among members has been made using the funding formula set out in the Convention as decided at CCSBT9.

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

COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF SOUTHERN BLUEFIN TUNA				
GENERAL BUDGET - 2005 (CCSBT11)				
ESTIMATE				
INCOME	2006 Indicative	2005	2004 Revised	Variation
Contributions from members	1,496,840	1,343,393	1,302,082	41,311
Japan	542,756	487,116	472,137	14,979
Australia	483,011	433,496	420,165	13,331
New Zealand	121,177	108,755	105,410	3,345
Korea	174,948	157,013	152,185	4,828
Fishing Entity of Taiwan	174,948	157,013	152,185	4,828
Staff Assessment Levy	95,000	95,000	92,000	3,000
Carry over from 2004	0	166,412	313,368	-146,956
Interest on investments	13,000	20,000	20,000	0
Cash Reerve	0	150,000	0	150,000
ERS Budget transferred from 2002	0	0	65,000	-65,000
TOTAL GROSS INCOME	1,604,840	1,774,805	1,792,450	-17,645
EXPENDITURE				
ANNUAL MEETINGS - (CCSBT12)		100,250	74,950	25,300
Interpretation Costs		36,000	27,500	8,500
Hire of venue		11,400	9,600	1,800
Hire of Equipment		11,000	6,000	5,000
Miscellaneous Costs (Inc. Sc Cte Chair attending Annual Meeting)		28,110	28,850	-740
Publication and Translation		3,000	3,000	0
Indonesian Participants costs		7,240	0	7,240
Small Meeting in Narita		3,500	0	3,500
10th SC & 6th SAG		306,695	275,006	31,689
Interpretation Costs		47,490	41,546	5,944
Hire of venue		18,200	14,350	3,850
Hire of equipment		21,000	22,700	-1,700
Hire of Consultants - SAG Chair, SC Chair, Advisory Panel		185,485	176,410	9,075
Miscellaneous Costs		14,000	13,000	1,000
Publication and translation		7,000	7,000	0
Indonesian participants costs		11,020	0	11,020
Small Meeting in Narita		2,500	0	2,500
SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS		275,860	257,096	18,764
4th Management Procedure Workshop		208,940	220,156	-11,216
6th ERS Working Group		66,920	36940	29,980
Special Project		212,000	205,486	6,514
Management Procedure Technical Workshop		40,000	0	40,000
Management Strategy Development		40000	48,000	-8,000
Inter-sessional work on SRP		32000	26000	6,000
Tagging program coordination		100000	72,000	28,000
Development of ERS pamphlet		0	59,486	-59,486
SECRETARIAT COSTS		788,000	732,500	55,500
Secretariat Staff Costs		450,000	427,000	23,000
Staff Assessment Levy		95,000	92,000	3,000
Employer Super/Social security		83,000	75,000	8,000
Worker's Compensation/ travel/contents Insurance		21,000	17,500	3,500
Travel/transport - O/seas and domestic		95,000	85,000	10,000
Miscellaneous Translation of Commission and Committee Reports		20,000	18,000	2,000
Training		2,000	2,000	0
home leave allowance, repatriation grant and removal costs		12,000	8,000	4,000
Other employment expense		10,000	8,000	2,000
OFFICE MANAGEMENT COSTS		92,000	81,000	11,000
Office lease		37,000	33,000	4,000
Office running costs		32,000	30,000	2,000
Provision for new/replacement assets		10,000	8,500	1,500
Telephone/communications		9,000	7,500	1,500
Miscellaneous		4,000	2,000	2,000
TOTAL GROSS EXPENDITURE	1,604,840	1,774,805	1,626,038	148,767

* exchange rate used for this budget is A\$=US\$0.65

COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF SOUTHERN BLUEFIN TUNA

2005SPECIAL BUDGET-1 (SRP TAGGING PROGRAM (Surface Fishery))

	ESTIMATE <u>2004</u>
INCOME	
<u>Contributions from member</u>	<u>548,250</u>
Japan	198,796
Australia	176,913
Korea	64,078
Fishing Entity of Taiwan	64,078
New Zealand	44,384
<u>Carry over from 2004 Special Fund on pilot east coast tagging program</u>	<u>25,750</u>
TOTAL GROSS INCOME	574,000
EXPENDITURE	
<u>Tag Deployment</u>	<u>574,000</u>
vessel charter	334,000
tag application	240,000
TOTAL GROSS EXPENDITURE	574,000