

Terms of Reference for the NPAFC/NPFC Data Sharing Platform

This is the Terms of Reference for a secure data sharing platform to be established between the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission (NPAFC) and the North Pacific Fisheries Commission (NPFC) to exchange confidential information of mutual interests related to enforcement and scientific activities.

Structure

1. The data sharing platform will be either: (1) a SharePoint site created and hosted through an NPAFC Office 365 subscription, or (2) a secure subdomain of npafc.org hosted on the NPAFC webserver. The platform will have limited access with authentication for authorized users only.

Capabilities

2. The data sharing platform includes the following information and data:
 - (a) NPFC and NPAFC List of IUU Vessels (link to each Secretariat's webpage)
 - (b) NPAFC List of Vessels of Interest
 - (c) Released Pacific salmon by-catch data (voluntary data from NPFC)
 - (d) NPFC historical footprint (catch and fishing efforts) of fisheries (link to NPFC webpage)
 - (e) Interactive Mapping System (IMS) for the INPFC/NPAFC High-seas Salmonid Tag-Recovery Database (link to NPAFC webpage)
 - (f) Information on research cruise plans that can collect information on Pacific salmon and NPFC priority species (if available)
 - (g) Information on enhanced scientific cooperation in the North Pacific Ocean, namely BECI (link to the BECI website) and potential NPAFC/NPFC joint workshops (general information and link to the workshop website, when available)

Access rights

3. Access to the data sharing platform is restricted to the users who are authorized by either NPAFC or NPFC Secretariats.
4. The authorized user may enter the data sharing platform using individually allocated user or organizational IDs and passwords.
5. The information in the data sharing platform shall not be open to the public unless written permissions by both NPAFC and NPFC Secretariats are obtained.

Control

6. The data sharing platform is hosted by the NPAFC.

7. Any information/data is uploaded/deleted by the NPAFC Secretariat upon request by the Secretariat which provides/provided the information/data.
8. The cost for hosting the data sharing platform is provided by the NPAFC.
9. Any other issues related to the data sharing platform and, when necessary, updates of these Terms of Reference will be discussed and fixed by the NPAFC and NPFC Secretariats.

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