

# CSP Research Advisory Group

3 Dec 2014

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### CSP Research Advisory Group

- Presentation on CSP progress
- Participant input
- Update on CSP medium term research plans

Lunch

MPI Aquatic Environment Research planning meeting



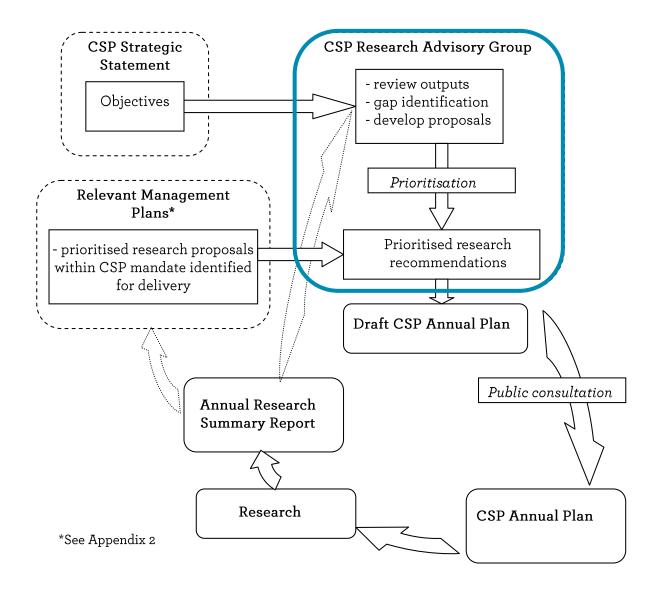
### CSP Strategic Statement

- CSP Scope
- CSP Focus
- CSP Objectives
- CSP Research Advisory Group process
- Prioritisation
- Implementation





## Purpose and Scope of this RAG





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### December

- Review of progress in relevant research and other activities
- Identify research gaps within the CSP mandate

### February

- Prioritise research gaps
- Recommend to DOC prioritised research projects for the inclusion in the CSP Annual Plan



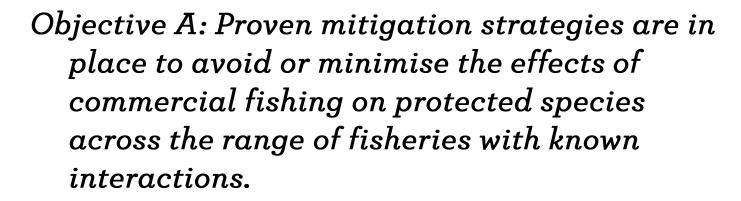




- Discussion of policy or strategic direction of CSP or DOC
- Decisions or recommendations regarding the commercial fishery management







Objective B: The nature of direct effects of commercial fishing on protected species is described.

Objective C: The extent of known direct effects of commercial fishing on protected species is adequately understood.





Objective D: The nature and extent of indirect effects of commercial fishing are identified and described for protected species that are at particular risk to such effects. Objective B: The nature of direct effects of commercial fishing on protected species is described.

Objective E: Adequate information on population level and susceptibility to fisheries effects exists for protected species populations identified as at medium or higher risk from fisheries.



## Today's CSP RAG Agenda

- Introduction & Objectives
- Presentation on CSP Annual Summary Report
- Seabird Research
  - Participant input
- Sharks Research
  - Participant input
- Marine Mammal Research
  - Participant input
- Coral Research
  - Participant input
- Other relevant research and activities
- Updates on medium research plans and research planning documents







### Conservation Services Programme Annual Research Summary

Katie Clemens-Seely and Kris Ramm Marine Species and Threats







### Background

- Stakeholder desire for rationalized and timely reporting
- Better integration with CSP's new strategic direction

#### Aim

- A single concise summary of the year's research and outputs
- Integrating the results of observer coverage with other CSP funded research
- Updates of the status of multiyear projects
- Ties back to each years annual plan
- Helps feed into future planning processes e.g. CSP RAG





### Structure

#### Introduction

- Outlines background on the CSP
- Details any supporting documents or processes
- Details planning process for that year and any consultation



## Conservation Services Programme Annual Research Summary

### Structure

### Project summary

- ~2 page summary per project
- Overall and specific objectives
- Rationale
- Project status
- Summary of methods and key findings
- Project logistics summary statement (inc. review milestones)
- Citation
- Weblinks
- •Additions/Improvements





## Conservation Services Programme Annual Research Summary

### Structure

### Observer summary

- ~4 page summary per fishery
- Overall and specific objectives
- Rationale
- Summary of methods and key findings including:
  - Commercial & observer effort
  - Protected species captures
  - Method of interaction
- Narrative of any patterns of trends observed, any anomalies or the cause of key bycatch events
- Consistent with previous observer reports
- Project logistics summary statement
- Citation
- Weblinks



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# 2011-2012 CSP Annual Research Summary Projects



### Interaction projects

- Observing commercial fisheries
- Protected species interactions with commercial pot and trap fishing methods in New Zealand
- Identification of seabirds captured in New Zealand fisheries

### Population projects

- New Zealand sea lion population project (Auckland Islands)
- Flesh-footed shearwater population study trial and at-sea distribution
- Protected fish review of interactions and populations
- Basking Shark bycatch review
- Identify New Zealand fur seal populations bycaught in commercial fisheries
- Protected coral distribution and overlap with commercial fishing
- Pied shag population review and estimate
- Yellow-eyed penguin review of population information
- Northern royal albatross analysis of population data from Tairoa head colony
- King shag census



# 2011-2012 CSP Annual Research Summary Projects

### Mitigation projects

- Protected rays mitigate captures and assess survival of livereleased animals
- Scampi trawl mitigate seabird captures
- Inshore bottom longline develop strategies to increase line sink rates
- Inshore bottom longline novel methods to reduce availability of hooks to seabirds
- Protected species bycatch newsletter
- Protected species mitigation training for commercial fishing vessel crew
- Review mandatory seabird scaring devices on offshore commercial trawl fishing vessels





# 2012-2013 CSP Annual Research Summary Projects

### Interaction projects

- Observing commercial fisheries
- Identification of seabirds captured in New Zealand fisheries

### Population projects

- Flesh-footed shearwater population study trial and at-sea distribution
- New Zealand sea lion population project (Auckland Islands)
- New Zealand sea lions demographic assessment of the cause of decline at the Auckland Islands
- Black petrel at-sea distribution and population estimate
- Campbell Island and grey-headed albatrosses population estimate
- White-capped albatross population estimate
- Salvin's albatross population estimate and at-sea distribution
- Gibson's albatross population estimate
- Pitt Island shags foraging ecology



# 2012-2013 CSP Annual Research Summary Projects

### Mitigation projects

- Inshore bottom longline seabird mitigation design and analysis
- Inshore trawl warp-strike mitigation analysis of effectiveness
- Review of mitigation techniques in setnet fisheries
- Surface Longline Seabird Mitigation
- Protected species bycatch newsletter
- Protected species mitigation training for commercial fishing vessel crew



# 2013-2014 CSP Annual Research Summary Projects



- Observing commercial fisheries
- Identification of seabirds captured in New Zealand fisheries
- Identification of marine mammals, turtles and protected fish captured in New Zealand fisheries
- Optimisation of observer data collection protocols
- Assessment of cryptic seabird mortality on trawl warps and longlines



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# 2013-2014 CSP Annual Research Summary Projects

### Population projects

- New Zealand sea lions demographic assessment of the cause of decline at the Auckland Islands
- Salvin's albatross population estimate and at-sea distribution
- New Zealand sea lion population project (Auckland Islands)
- White-capped albatross population estimate (Auckland Islands)
- Gibson's albatross population study (Auckland Islands)
- Black petrel population project
- Development of coral distribution modelling
- Update protected fish review: oceanic whitetip shark



# 2013-2014 CSP Annual Research Summary Projects

### Mitigation projects

- Sea trials of the Kellian line setter
- Surface longline mitigation
- Characterisation of smaller vessel deep water bottom longline operations in relation to risk factors for seabird capture
- Development of bird baffler design for offshore trawl vessels
- Protected species bycatch newsletter





## Recommendations from 2011-2012 Conservation Services Programme Research Reports



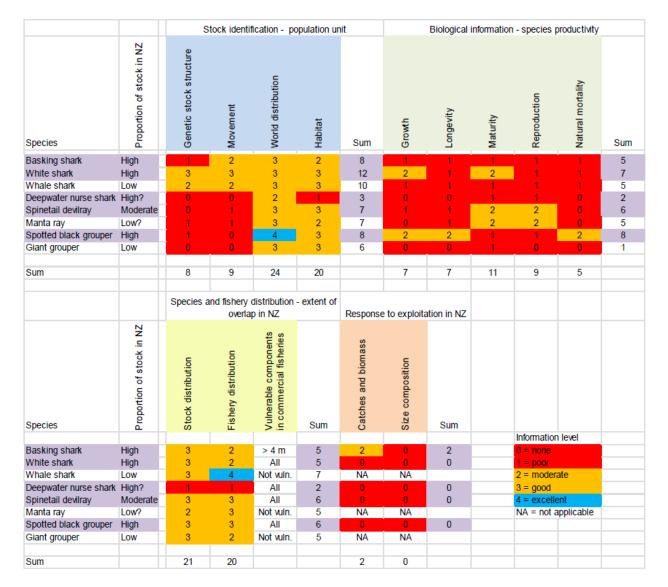
# POP2011-03 Protected fish – review of interactions and populations



- Should focus on:
  - Basking shark, white shark, deepwater nurse shark, spinetail devil ray,
     & spotted black grouper
- Efforts should be made to increase the availability for research of specimens of protected fish species by:
  - making it legal for fishers to land dead specimens;
  - encouraging and educating fishers about the value of specimens for research; and
  - providing the specimens to a research organisation
- Genetic analyses and electronic tagging should also be implemented urgently



# POP2011-03 Protected fish – review of interactions and populations





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# POP2011-06 Protected coral distribution and overlap with commercial fishing

- Research to better understand the distribution of protected corals
  - Update and maintain the protected coral dataset
  - Increase observer coverage
  - Improve the quality of observer data
  - Improve identification of protected corals
- Research to better understand coral biology
  - Collect information on coral age, growth, size, & form
  - Improve current information gaps on cold water coral reproduction and connectivity
  - Review international literature with regard to biological parameters
  - Species associations
- Additional environmental data layer
  - For modeling the distribution of protected corals



# POP2011-08 Yellow-eyed penguin – review of population information



- Increase observer coverage
  - To improve the quality of risk assessment
- Comprehensive analysis of foraging ecology & at sea distribution (& seafloor surveys)
  - To assess the impact of benthic habitat degradation



# MIT2011-01 Protected rays - mitigate captures and assess survival of live-released animals



- More detailed information must be collected on manta and devil ray encounters
  - Observers should know correct codes and identification, record data on behaviour, release methods, and condition prior to release
- Spotter planes should record observation of manta and devil rays
  - Valuable information on spatial & temporal patterns of occurrence





## Recommendations from 2012-2013 Conservation Services Programme Research Reports

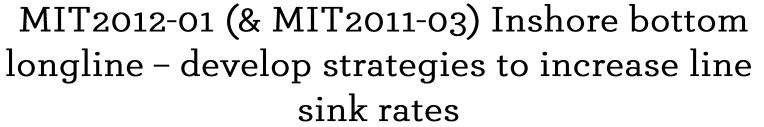






- Further studies on the foraging ecology at other breeding areas
  - To determine differences in foraging behaviour & efficiency
- 3-5 year study investigating breeding parameters (i.e. breeding success)





- Increase longline sink rates
  - Modify line-weighing regimes & float usage
- Improve streamer line design & consistently deploy streamer lines
  - Hooks are protected by streamer links up to 10m





## Recommendations from 2013-2014 Conservation Services Programme Research Reports



# POP2012-02 New Zealand sea lions – demographic assessment of the cause of decline at the Auckland Islands

- Obtain robust estimates of tag loss
  - To properly estimate survival and obtain good fits to pup census observations
- Estimate the rate of breeding site relocations
  - To improve pup census observations
- Determine if estimated demographic parameters reproduce a decline similar to that observed
- Determine how much would survival or pupping rates need to increase for the population size to stabilise



# POP2013-04 Black petrel – at-sea distribution and population estimate



- Population monitoring to be continued up to 2024/25 breeding season
  - To allow development of a multi-generational population model
- Study burrows checked for breeding pairs every year
  - More accurate determination of breeding success & sex of adults
- Use of GPS data loggers & TDRs
  - To investigate foraging behaviour, distances, locations, etc



### MIT2013-03 Characterisation of smaller vessel deep water bottom longline operations in relation to risk factors for seabird capture



- Testing of mitigation measures (i.e. length of streamer lines & line-weighting regimes) to ensure they are appropriate for reducing seabird bycatch risk
- Assessment of the efficacy of bycatch reduction measures when day-setting longlines.





## Conservation Services Programme 2014-15 Research Projects



### Conservation Services Programme 2014-15 Research Projects

### Interaction projects

- Observing commercial fisheries
- Identification of seabirds captured in New Zealand fisheries
- Identification of marine mammals, turtles and protected fish captured in New Zealand fisheries

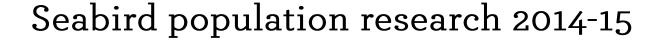
### Population projects

- New Zealand sea lion population project (Auckland Islands)
- Seabird population research 2014-15
- Protected fish population research

### Mitigation projects

- Protected species bycatch newsletter
- Improvement of tori line performance in small vessel longline fisheries
- Seabird liaison officer







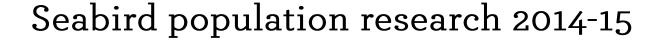
# Black petrel

- A Population size (Aotea/Great Barrier Island and Hauturu/Little Barrier Island)
- B Key demographic parameters, primarily juvenile and adult survival (Aotea/Great Barrier Island)

## Salvin's albatross

- A Population estimate (The Snares)
- B Adult survival and other demographic parameters (The Snares)

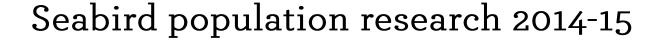






# White-capped albatross

- A Population estimate (Auckland Islands)
- B Ground truth aerial survey methods on Disappointment Island, Auckland Islands
- C Investigate logistics of establishing a mark-recapture study to investigate adult survival and other demographic parameters (Disappointment Island, Auckland Islands)





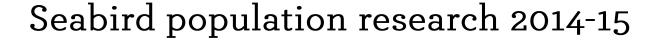
# Southern Buller's albatross

- A Population estimate (Solander Islands)
- B Adult survival and other demographic parameters (The Snares)

# Gibson's albatross

- A Population estimate (Auckland Islands)
- B Adult survival and other demographic parameters (Adams Island, Auckland Islands)







# White-chinned petrel

- A Investigate logistics of establishing a mark-recapture study to investigate adult survival and other demographic parameters (Auckland Islands)
- B Investigate a methodology to estimate the population size on Adams Island, Auckland Islands
- C Spatial foraging information (Auckland Islands)
- D Taxonomic status across New Zealand populations

# Burrowing petrels

- Review survey methods to describe areas of uncertainty in relation to estimating population sizes



# MPI current research 2014-15

Project	Title	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
PRO2012-02	Assessment of the risk to marine mammal populations from NZ commercial fisheries	<b>→</b>	_	_
PRO2012-07	Cryptic mortality of seabirds in trawl and longline fisheries (review)	<b>→</b>	_	-
PRO2012-10	Level 3 risk assessment for Antipodean albatross	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	-
PRO2013/01	Protected species capture estimation	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>
PRO2013/06	Abundance and distribution of WCSI Hector's dolphins	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	-
PRO2013/13	Global seabird risk assessment (for New Zealand species)	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	_
PRO2013-17	Repeat quantitative modelling of southern Buller's albatross	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	_
PRO2014/01	Improving information on the distribution of key protected species	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	_
PRO2014/02	Risk assessment modelling for fishing-related mortality of sea lions in support of the TMP	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	_
PRO2014/03	Research in response to advice from the Maui's dolphin research advisory group	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	_
PRO2014/05	$Reducing \ uncertainty \ in \ biological \ components \ of \ the \ risk \ assessments \ for \ at-risk \ seabird \ species$	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	-
PRO2014/06	Update of level-2 seabird risk assessment	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	_
SEA2013-06	Black petrel distribution modelling	<b>→</b>	_	_
SEA2013-14	Re-Run of Level-2 Seabird Risk Assessment 2014	<b>→</b>	-	_
BEN2007-01	Assessing the effects of fishing on soft sediment habitat, fauna, and processes	<b>→</b>	-	_
BEN2012-01	Spatial overlap of mobile bottom fishing methods and coastal benthic habitats	<b>→</b>	-	-
BEN2014/01	Risk assessment for benthic habitats, biodiversity, and production	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	-
BEN2014/02	Monitoring recovery of benthic fauna on the Graveyard complex	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	-
BEN2014/03	Monitoring recovery of benthic fauna in Spirits Bay	?	<b>→</b>	?
ENV2013-01	Development of model based estimates of fish bycatch	<b>→</b>	_	_
ENV2014/01	NPOA-sharks: comprehensive risk assessment	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	_
ENV2014/02	NPOA-sharks: age and growth of selected at-risk species	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	_
SEA2013-16	Data collation for shark risk assessments	<b>→</b>	-	_
EN <u><b>/(</b></u> 21014/09	Spatial decision support tools for multi-use and cumulative effects	?	?	?



# Seabird Research

Work underway to develop an electronic bibliography and database of metrics relevant to risk assessments for all NZ seabirds

Non-CSP/MPI recent or current relevant research on high priority species:

## Black petrel

• Collaborative research report as part of POP2013-04 report

Salvin's albatross

#### Southern Buller's albatross

Population study Snares 2014 (NIWA-DWG-DOC-MPI funded)

#### Flesh-footed shearwater

Monitoring of small colony (Taylor)



#### Gibson's albatross

New Zealand white-capped albatross

Chatham Island albatross

#### Antipodean albatross

Population study Antipodes Island (Elliott & Walker)

## Westland petrel

• Updated population analyses in prep (Waugh et al)

Northern Buller's albatross

## Campbell black-browed albatross

Tracking completed by NIWA





#### Stewart Island shag

- Paper in prep on 2011/12 census (DOC funded)
- Limited regular counts (Perriman/Lalas)

#### White-chinned petrel

Tracking population study Auckland Islands initiated (Rexer-Huber)

## Yellow-eyed penguin (mainland)

Monitoring at various sites (YEP, DOC)

Northern giant petrel
Spotted shag
Northern royal albatross

#### Chatham petrel

Monitoring Chatham Islands (DOC)

#### Chatham Island taiko

Monitoring Chatham Islands (DOC, Taiko Trust)



#### Southern royal albatross

Tracking underway (NIWA-DOC collaboration)

Snares Cape petrel
Grey petrel
Little black shag

#### Light-mantled sooty albatross

- Trial monitoring Auckland Islands (DOC funded)
- Possible tracking Campbell Island (NIWA-DOC collaboration)

Fiordland crested penguin

#### Grey-headed albatross

Tracking completed by NIWA

# New Zealand king shag

- Tracking feasibility (DOC funded)
- Limited site counts (Schuckard)



#### New Zealand storm petrel

Population investigation LBI – collaboration

Pitt Island shag

#### Chatham Island shag

Aerial census 2014 (Bell, partly DOC funded)

Pycroft's petrel

North Island little shearwater

New Zealand white-faced storm petrel

#### Mitigation

International development of e.g.

- Hook pods
- Warp scarers
- Lasers (including ACAP intersessional group on safety assessment)
- Domestic development (testing?)



# CSP Projects- Sharks

- Protected fish population review POP2011-03
  - And update for Oceanic White tip POP2013-06
- Basking shark bycatch and population review POP2011-04
- Basking shark mitigation MIT2013-04 fed into operational practices
- Spine-tail devilray mitigation techniques in purse seine fisheries MIT2011-01
- Survival and depth distribution of spine-tailed devilrays 2014 (from MIT2011-01)



# Non CSP Developments



- Cage diving Code of Practice
  - Reviewing permitting arrangements
  - Data collection from operators
- Expert Input into shark Risk Assessment processes
- Others?



# Marine Mammal Research

#### Current work:

- POP2014-01 New Zealand Sea Lion population project (Auckland Islands)
- INT2014-01 Observing commercial fisheries; projects estimating catch rates and fisheries interactions of Hector's dolphins.
   INT2013-03 Identification of marine mammals, turtles & protected fish captured in New Zealand fisheries
- POP2011-05 Identify New Zealand fur seal populations bycaught in commercial fisheries (This work is underway and due to finish June 2015)
- Maui Dolphin Threat Management Plan
- New Zealand Sea Lion Threat Management Plan 2014 (Risk Assessment; model results from April 2015)
- Other research/work projects?







#### Current work:

• OP2013-05, described the distribution of corals in relation to areas where they are at risk of interactions with commercial fishing gear

#### Planned / Ongoing

 Future Modeling investigating the latest global climate models outputs to determine how the oceans around New Zealand might be affected by chemical and physical climate change



# Medium term plans

International agreements

**NPOAs** 

CSP Strategic Statement

Risk Assessments

Medium Term Research Plans

Seabird

Coral

Mammal

Fish

**CSP Annual Plan** 



# Seabird population medium term research plan 2015

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www.doc.govt.nz



- Review methodology behind the Seabird medium term research plan
- Receive input regarding this methodology for the February RAG

 February – review outputs of this plan and translate into a research response



# Outline of the Structure:



Identify Seabirds at Risk



Highlight Key Uncertainties



Response

L2 Risk Assessment (Richard & Abraham 2014)

L2 Risk Assessment (*Richard* & *Abraham* 2014)

CSP 5-Year seabird research plan

L1 Risk Assessment (Rowe 2013)

IUCN & NZ Threat Status

# Identifying Seabirds at Risk



#### Very High Risk

- Black petrel
- Salvin's albatross
- Southern Buller's albatross
- Flesh-footed shearwater
- Gibson's albatross
- New Zealand white-capped albatross

Median RR > 1 or an upper 95% confidence limit > 2

#### High Risk

- Chatham Island albatross
- Antipodean albatross
- Westland petrel
- Northern Buller's albatross
- Campbell blackbrowed albatross
- Stewart Island shag

Median RR > 0.3 or an upper 95% confidence limit > 1

#### Medium Risk

- White-chinned petrel
- Yellow-eyed penguin (mainland)
- Northern giant petrel
- Spotted shag
- Northern royal albatross
- Chatham petrel

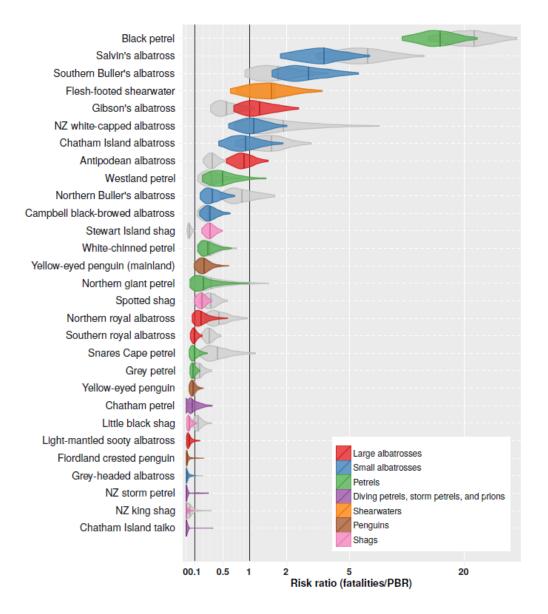
Median RR > 0.1 or an upper 95% confidence limit > 0.3

#### Low Risk

- Chatham Is, taiko
- Southern royal albatross
- Snares Cape petrel
- Grey petrel
- Little black shag
- Light-mantled sooty albatross
- Fiordland crested penguin
- Grey-headed albatross
- New Zealand king shag
- New Zealand storm petrel

Upper 95% confidence limit > 0.1

# Identifying Seabirds at Risk





# Identifying Other Seabirds at Risk

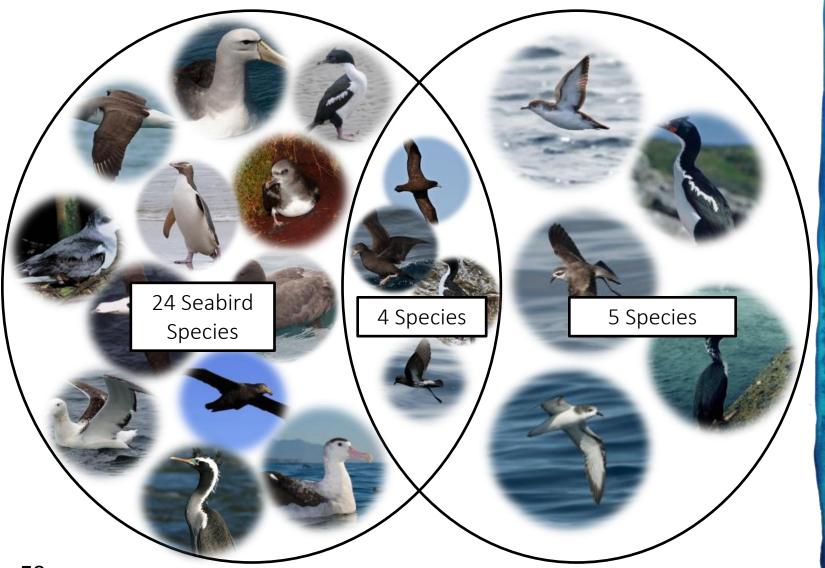
 Include seabirds at risk (moderate – extreme) from other fisheries (Rowe 2013)

Common name	L1 risk	Other fishery
Black petrel	Mod	Hand line
	Mod	Purse seine light
	Mod	Troll
Flesh-footed shearwater	Mod	Hand line
	Mod	Purse seine light
New Zealand king shag	Mod	Trap & Pot
New Zealand storm petrel	Extreme	Purse seine light
Pitt Island shag	High	Trap & Pot
Chatham Island shag	Mod	Trap & Pot
Pycroft's petrel	Mod	Purse seine light
North Island little shearwater	Mod	Purse seine light
New Zealand white-faced storm petrel	Mod	Purse seine light



# Identifying Seabirds at Risk





# Identifying Seabirds at Risk

Common name	Scientific name	L2 risk	Other fishery	L1 risk	IUCN Threat status	NZ Threat status
Black petrel	Procellaria parkinsoni	VH	Hand line	Mod	Vulnerable	T Vulnerable
			Purse seine light	Mod		
			Troll	Mod		
Salvin's albatross	Thalassarche salvini	VH			Vulnerable	T Critical
Southern Buller's albatross	Thalassarche bulleri bulleri	VH			Near Threatened*	AR Uncommon
Flesh-footed shearwater	Puffinus carneipes	VH	Hand line Purse seine light	Mod Mod	Least Concern	T Vulnerable
Gibson's albatross	Diomedea antipodensis gibsoni	VH			Vulnerable*	T Critical
New Zealand white-capped albatross	Thalassarche steadi	VH			Near Threatened	AR Declining
Chatham Island albatross	Thalassarche eremite	Н			Vulnerable	AR Uncommon
Antipodean albatross	Diomedea antipodensis antipodensis	Н			Vulnerable*	T Critical
Westland petrel	Procellaria westlandica	Н			Vulnerable	AR Uncommon
Northern Buller's albatross	Thalassarche bulleri platei	Н			Near Threatened*	AR Uncommon
Campbell black-browed albatross	Thalassarche impavida	Н			Vulnerable	AR Uncommon
Stewart Island shag	Leucocarbo chalconotus	Н			Vulnerable	T Vulnerable
White-chinned petrel	Procellaria aequinoctialis	М			Vulnerable	AR Declining
Yellow-eyed penguin (mainland)	Megadyptes antipodes	М			Endangered*	T Vulnerable*
Northern giant petrel	Macronectes halli	М			Least Concern	AR Uncommon
Spotted shag	Stictocarbo punctatus	M			Least Concern	NT
Northern royal albatross	Diomedea sanfordi	М			Endangered	AR Uncommon
Chatham petrel	Pterodroma axillaris	М			Endangered	T Vulnerable
Chatham Island taiko	Pterodroma magentae	L			Critically Endangered	T Critical
Southern royal albatross	Diomedea epomophora epomophora	L			Vulnerable	AR Uncommon
Snares Cape petrel	Daption capense austral	L			Least Concern*	AR Uncommon
Grey petrel	Procellaria cinerea	L			Near Threatened	AR Uncommon
Little black shag	Phalacrocorax sulcirostris	L			Least Concern	AR Uncommon
Light-mantled sooty albatross	Phoebetria palpebrata	L			Near Threatened	AR Declining
Fiordland crested penguin	Eudyptes pachyrhynchus	L			Vulnerable	T Endangered
Grey-headed albatross	Thalassarche chrysostoma	L			Endangered	T Vulnerable
New Zealand king shag	Leucocarbo carunculatus	L	Trap & Pot	Mod	Vulnerable	T Endangered
New Zealand storm petrel	Pealeornis maoriana	L	Purse seine light	Extreme	Critically Endangered	T Endangered
Pitt Island shag	Stictocarbo featherstoni		Trap & Pot	High	Endangered	T Critical
Chatham Island shag	Leucocarbo onslowi		Trap & Pot	Mod	Critically Endangered	T Critical
Pycroft's petrel	Pterodroma pycrofti		Purse seine light	Mod	Vulnerable	AR Recovering
North Island little shearwater	Puffinus assimilis haurakiensis		Purse seine light	Mod	Least Concern*	AR Recovering
New Zealand white-faced storm petrel	Pelagodroma marina maoriana		Purse seine light	Mod	Least Concern*	AR Relict

# Highlighting Uncertainties:

Common name	Risk paran	neter							
	TWL	BLL	SLL	SN	СМ	Α	S <sub>A</sub>	N <sub>BP</sub>	P <sub>B</sub>
Black petrel	1	19	0	0	7	0	21	7	1
Salvin's albatross	26	1	0	0	17	2	29	1	0
Southern Buller's albatross	12	2	3	0	10	1	47	0	1
Flesh-footed shearwater	4	6	0	0	2	0	50	0	0
Gibson's albatross	1	2	10	0	3	0	46	2	4
New Zealand white-capped albatross	29	0	0	0	23	2	26	2	3
Chatham Island albatross	6	25	0	0	0	0	19	3	0
Antipodean albatross	8	7	16	0	6	0	16	1	5
Westland petrel	13	25	9	0	6	3	21	1	2
Northern Buller's albatross	6	3	17	0	4	0	40	3	2
Campbell black-browed albatross	8	25	7	0	1	0	5	14	0
Stewart Island shag	56	0	0	1	15	2	6	1	4
White-chinned petrel	30	1	1	0	29	1	20	6	0
Yellow-eyed penguin (mainland)	2	32	0	19	0	3	6	0	5
Northern giant petrel	41	2	1	0	4	0	39	1	1
Spotted shag	25	1	0	2	9	21	3	5	0
Northern royal albatross	30	11	2	3	3	1	19	9	2
Chatham petrel	0	57	0	0	1	0	15	0	0
Chatham Island taiko	0	94	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern royal albatross	36	4	4	2	4	1	5	1	1
Snares Cape petrel	3	8	3	9	1	0	37	4	0
Grey petrel	5	14	4	0	2	0	32	2	0
Little black shag	1	3	0	51	0	0	1	5	0
Light-mantled sooty albatross	39	19	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
Fiordland crested penguin	0	84	2	2	0	0	1	2	0
Grey-headed albatross	24	40	5	0	4	0	4	6	1
New Zealand king shag	12	34	0	10	0	0	1	0	0
New Zealand storm petrel	4	0	0	26	0	1	6	16	0
Pitt Island shag	-	-	-	-	0	1	1	3	0
Chatham Island shag	-	-	-	-	2	0	0	0	0
Pycroft's petrel	-	-	-	-	0	0	15	0	0
North Island little shearwater*	-	-	-	-	2	1	6	2	0
New Zealand white-faced storm petrel	-	-	-	-	0	0	2	4	0

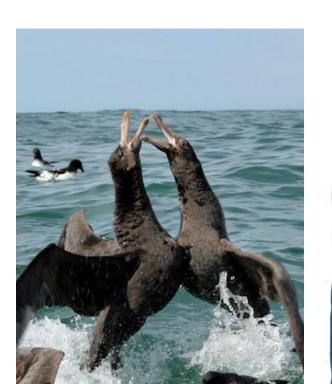
# Guiding Objectives:

Objective type	Objective								
NPOA-Seabirds	"New Zealand seabirds thrive without press	sure from fishing related mortalities, New							
Long term	Zealand fishers avoid or mitigate against sea	abird captures and New Zealand fisheries							
objective	are globally recognised as seabird friendly"								
	Biological Risk	Research & Development							
NPOA-Seabirds	"Incidental mortality of seabirds in New	"Research outputs relating to seabird							
High level	Zealand fisheries is at or below a level	biology, demography and ecology							
subsidiary	that allows for the maintenance at a	provide a robust basis for understanding							
objectives	favourable conservation status or	and mitigating seabird incidental							
	recovery to a more favourable	mortality"							
	conservation status for all New Zealand								
	seabird populations"								
NPOA-Seabirds Five	"The level of mortality of New Zealand	"Programmes of research to improve							
year objectives	seabirds in New Zealand commercial	our understanding of and ability to							
	fisheries are reduced so that species	mitigate seabird incidental mortality for							
	currently categorised as at very high or	at risk species are underway and key							
	high risk from fishing move to a lower	projects for very high risk species have							
	category of risk"	been completed"							
CSP Objective	"Adequate information on population level	and susceptibility to fisheries effects							
	exists for protected species populations ide fisheries"	xists for protected species populations identified as at medium or higher risk from							



# CSP Research Responses

- Mark-recapture study to estimate demographic parameters including adult survival
- Total population estimate
- Routine monitoring of population trend
- Collecting spatial tracking information
- Taxonomic investigation





# Mark-recapture study

Common name	Risk param	neter							
	TWL	BLL	SLL	SN	CM	Α	S <sub>A</sub>	N <sub>BP</sub>	P <sub>B</sub>
Black petrel	1	19	0	0	7	0	21	7	1
Salvin's albatross	26	1	0	0	17	2	29	1	0
Southern Buller's albatross	12	2	3	0	10	1	47	0	1
Flesh-footed shearwater	4	6	0	0	2	0	50	0	0
Gibson's albatross	1	2	10	0	3	0	46	2	4
New Zealand white-capped albatross	29	0	0	0	23	2	26	2	3
Chatham Island albatross	6	25	0	0	0	0	19	3	0
Antipodean albatross	8	7	16	0	6	0	16	1	5
Westland petrel	13	25	9	0	6	3	21	1	2
Northern Buller's albatross	6	3	17	0	4	0	40	3	2
Campbell black-browed albatross	8	25	7	0	1	0	5	14	0
Stewart Island shag	56	0	0	1	15	2	6	1	4
White-chinned petrel	30	1	1	0	29	1	20	6	0
Yellow-eyed penguin (mainland)	2	32	0	19	0	3	6	0	5
Northern giant petrel	41	2	1	0	4	0	39	1	1
Spotted shag	25	1	0	2	9	21	3	5	0
Northern royal albatross	30	11	2	3	3	1	19	9	2
Chatham petrel	0	57	0	0	1	0	15	0	0
Chatham Island taiko	0	94	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern royal albatross	36	4	4	2	4	1	5	1	1
Snares Cape petrel	3	8	3	9	1	0	37	4	0
Grey petrel	5	14	4	0	2	0	32	2	0
Little black shag	1	3	0	51	0	0	1	5	0
Light-mantled sooty albatross	39	19	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
Fiordland crested penguin	0	84	2	2	0	0	1	2	0
Grey-headed albatross	24	40	5	0	4	0	4	6	1
New Zealand king shag	12	34	0	10	0	0	1	0	0
New Zealand storm petrel	4	0	0	26	0	1	6	16	0
Pitt Island shag	_	_	-	-	-	1	1	3	0
Chatham Island shag	_	-	-	_	-	0	0	0	0
Pycroft's petrel	_	-	_	-	-	0	15	0	0
North Island little shearwater	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	2	0
New Zealand white-faced storm petrel	-	-	-	-	-	0	2	4	0

# Population Estimate

Common name	Risk paran	neter							
	TWL	BLL	SLL	SN	CM	А	S <sub>A</sub>	N <sub>BP</sub>	P <sub>B</sub>
Black petrel	1	19	0	0	7	0	21	7	1
Salvin's albatross	26	1	0	0	17	2	29	1	0
Southern Buller's albatross	12	2	3	0	10	1	47	0	1
Flesh-footed shearwater	4	6	0	0	2	0	50	0	0
Gibson's albatross	1	2	10	0	3	0	46	2	4
New Zealand white-capped albatross	29	0	0	0	23	2	26	2	3
Chatham Island albatross	6	25	0	0	0	0	19	3	0
Antipodean albatross	8	7	16	0	6	0	16	1	5
Westland petrel	13	25	9	0	6	3	21	1	2
Northern Buller's albatross	6	3	17	0	4	0	40	3	2
Campbell black-browed albatross	8	25	7	0	1	0	5	14	0
Stewart Island shag	56	0	0	1	15	2	6	1	4
White-chinned petrel	30	1	1	0	29	1	20	6	0
Yellow-eyed penguin (mainland)	2	32	0	19	0	3	6	0	5
Northern giant petrel	41	2	1	0	4	0	39	1	1
Spotted shag	25	1	0	2	9	21	3	5	0
Northern royal albatross	30	11	2	3	3	1	19	9	2
Chatham petrel	0	57	0	0	1	0	15	0	0
Chatham Island taiko	0	94	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern royal albatross	36	4	4	2	4	1	5	1	1
Snares Cape petrel	3	8	3	9	1	0	37	4	0
Grey petrel	5	14	4	0	2	0	32	2	0
Little black shag	1	3	0	51	0	0	1	5	0
Light-mantled sooty albatross	39	19	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
Fiordland crested penguin	0	84	2	2	0	0	1	2	0
Grey-headed albatross	24	40	5	0	4	0	4	6	1
New Zealand king shag	12	34	0	10	0	0	1	0	0
New Zealand storm petrel	4	0	0	26	0	1	6	16	0
Pitt Island shag	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	0
Chatham Island shag	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0
Pycroft's petrel	-	-	-	-	-	0	15	0	0
North Island little shearwater	-	_	_	-	-	1	6	2	0
New Zealand white-faced storm petrel	-	_	-	_	_	0	2	4	0

# Monitoring Population Trend

Common name	Scientific name	L2 risk	Other fishery	L1 risk	IUCN Threat status	NZ Threat status
Black petrel	Procellaria parkinsoni	VH	Hand line Purse seine light Troll	Mod Mod Mod	Vulnerable	T Vulnerable
Salvin's albatross	Thalassarche salvini	VH			Vulnerable	T Critical
Southern Buller's albatross	Thalassarche bulleri bulleri	VH			Near Threatened*	AR Uncommon
Flesh-footed shearwater	Puffinus carneipes	VH	Hand line Purse seine light	Mod Mod	Least Concern	T Vulnerable
Gibson's albatross	Diomedea antipodensis gibsoni	VH			Vulnerable*	T Critical
New Zealand white-capped albatross	Thalassarche steadi	VH			Near Threatened	AR Declining
Chatham Island albatross	Thalassarche eremite	Н			Vulnerable	AR Uncommon
Antipodean albatross	Diomedea antipodensis antipodensis	Н			Vulnerable*	T Critical
Westland petrel	Procellaria westlandica	Н		ĺ	Vulnerable	AR Uncommon
Northern Buller's albatross	Thalassarche bulleri platei	Н		ĺ	Near Threatened*	AR Uncommon
Campbell black-browed albatross	Thalassarche impavida	Н			Vulnerable	AR Uncommon
Stewart Island shag	Leucocarbo chalconotus	Н			Vulnerable	T Vulnerable
White-chinned petrel	Procellaria aequinoctialis	M			Vulnerable	AR Declining
Yellow-eyed penguin (mainland)	Megadyptes antipodes	M			Endangered*	T Vulnerable*
Northern giant petrel	Macronectes halli	M			Least Concern	AR Uncommon
Spotted shag	Stictocarbo punctatus	M			Least Concern	NT
Northern royal albatross	Diomedea sanfordi	M			Endangered	AR Uncommon
Chatham petrel	Pterodroma axillaris	M			Endangered	T Vulnerable
Chatham Island taiko	Pterodroma magentae	L			Critically Endangered	T Critical
Southern royal albatross	Diomedea epomophora epomophora	L			Vulnerable	AR Uncommon
Snares Cape petrel	Daption capense austral	L			Least Concern*	AR Uncommon
Grey petrel	Procellaria cinerea	L			Near Threatened	AR Uncommon
Little black shag	Phalacrocorax sulcirostris	L			Least Concern	AR Uncommon
Light-mantled sooty albatross	Phoebetria palpebrata	L			Near Threatened	AR Declining
Fiordland crested penguin	Eudyptes pachyrhynchus	L			Vulnerable	T Endangered
Grey-headed albatross	Thalassarche chrysostoma	L			Endangered	T Vulnerable
New Zealand king shag	Leucocarbo carunculatus	L	Trap & Pot	Mod	Vulnerable	T Endangered
New Zealand storm petrel	Pealeornis maoriana	L	Purse seine light	Extreme	Critically Endangered	T Endangered
Pitt Island shag	Stictocarbo featherstoni		Trap & Pot	High	Endangered	T Critical
Chatham Island shag	Leucocarbo onslowi		Trap & Pot	Mod	Critically Endangered	T Critical
Pycroft's petrel	Pterodroma pycrofti		Purse seine light	Mod	Vulnerable	AR Recovering
North Island little shearwater	Puffinus assimilis haurakiensis		Purse seine light	Mod	Least Concern*	AR Recovering
New Zealand white-faced storm petrel	Pelagodroma marina maoriana		Purse seine light	Mod	Least Concern*	AR Relict



- Taxonomic investigation to clarify species taxonomy and understand which breeding sites represent distinct populations
- Tracking studies for seabird taxa where little or no information exists and/or those taxa at particularly high risk where more detailed tracking information can inform spatial fisheries management responses





# CSP Research Response:

Common name	CSP resear	ch response			
	M-R	Pop Est	Monitor	Track	Taxonomy
Black petrel	Y		Υ	Υ	
Salvin's albatross	Р		Y	Υ	
Southern Buller's albatross	Y		Y		
Flesh-footed shearwater	Y		Y	Υ	
Gibson's albatross	Y		Y		
New Zealand white-capped albatross	Р		Y		
Chatham Island albatross			Y		
Antipodean albatross	Р		Y	Υ	
Westland petrel	Y		Y		
Northern Buller's albatross	I		Y		Υ
Campbell black-browed albatross		Υ	Y		
Stewart Island shag			Y		
White-chinned petrel	Y		Y	Υ	Υ
Yellow-eyed penguin (mainland)			Y		Υ
Northern giant petrel	1		Y		
Spotted shag			Y		Υ
Northern royal albatross			Y		
Chatham petrel			Υ		
Chatham Island taiko					
Southern royal albatross					
Snares Cape petrel	1			Υ	
Grey petrel	1				
Little black shag					
Light-mantled sooty albatross				Υ	
Fiordland crested penguin				Υ	
Grey-headed albatross					
New Zealand king shag			Υ	Υ	
New Zealand storm petrel		Υ	Υ	Υ	
Pitt Island shag			Υ	Υ	
Chatham Island shag			Y	Υ	
Pycroft's petrel					
North Island little shearwater					
New Zealand white-faced storm petrel					



Common name	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Black petrel	M-R study GBI	Review		Pop est GBI, LBI	
	Pop est GBI, LBI				
Salvin's albatross	Pop est & Track Bounty,	Review		Pop est Bounty	
	Review M-R feasibility				
Southern Buller's albatross	M-R study	M-R study	M-R study	M-R study	Pop est Snares
		Pop est Snares			
Flesh-footed shearwater	M-R study & track	M-R study	M-R study	Pop est various, M-R study	
	Pop est various			review	
Gibson's albatross	M-R study	M-R study	Review M-R study Pop est		
New Zealand white-capped albatross	Pop est Auck Is, Review			Pop est Auck Is	
	M-R feasibility				
Chatham Island albatross	Pop est Chat			Pop est Chat	
Antipodean albatross	M-R study* & track,	M-R study*	M-R study*	Review M-R study*	
	Pop est Antip			Pop est Antip	
Westland petrel	M-R study	M-R study , Pop est mainland	M-R study	Review M-R study	Pop est mainland
Northern Buller's albatross	Pop est & Invest M-R study Chat, Review taxonomy			Pop est Chat	
Campbell black-browed albatross	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Pop est Campbell			Pop est Campbell
Stewart Island shag		·	Pop est mainland		<u> </u>
White-chinned petrel	Pop est & track Auck Is, Review M-R feasibility, Review taxonomy	Pop est Campbell	Pop est Antip	Pop est Auck Is	Pop est Campbell
Yellow-eyed penguin - mainland	,	Pop est mainland Review taxonomy			Pop est mainland
Northern giant petrel	Investigate M-R study, Pop est Chat, Pop est Auck Is	Pop est Campbell	Pop est Antip	Pop est Chat Pop est Auck Is	Pop est Campbell
Spotted shag		Pop est review year 1 Review taxonomy	Pop est review year 2	Review	
Northern royal albatross	Pop est Chat			Pop est Chat	
Chatham petrel	Pop est Chat			Pop est Chat	
Snares Cape petrel		Pop est Snares, Investigate M-R study			Pop est Snares
Grey petrel	Investigate M-R study				
Light-mantled sooty albatross	Trial tracking Campbell	Trial tracking Campbell			
Fiordland crested penguin			Tracking mainland		
New Zealand king shag	Review tracking feasibility	Pop est mainland			Pop est mainland
New Zealand storm petrel	Population est LBI			Pop est LBI	
Pitt Island shag	Pop est & track Chat			Pop est Chat	
Chatham Island shag	Pop est & track Chat			Pop est Chat	

# Prioritizing Observer Coverage

L2 Risk Assessment 2013

	TWL	BLL	SLL	SN
Black petrel	1	19	0	0
Salvin's albatross	26	1	0	0
Southern Buller's albatross	12	2	3	0
Flesh-footed shearwater	4	6	0	0
Gibson's albatross	1	2	10	0
New Zealand white-capped albatross	29	0	0	0

L2 Risk Assessment 2014

	Small			Small			Large		Large	Large	Large						
	inshore	Flatfish	Bluenos	inshore		Large	SLL	Small SLL	processo	omeal	fresher	SBW		Macker	e SQU	Deepwat	t
Species	trawl	trawl	e BLL	BLL	<b>SNA BLL</b>	BLL	(foreign)	(domestic)	r trawl	trawl	trawl	trawl	SCI trawl	l trawl	trawl	er trawl	Setnet
Black petrel	0.2	0.0	1 7.30	4.85	5.88	0.01	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.	0.0	0.0	0.06	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.02
Salvin's albatross	1.1	0.1	3 0.03	0.43	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.35	5 0.	17 0.0	0.0	1 0.39	0.0	0.0	4 0.05	0.00
Southern Buller's albatross	0.0	5 0.0	9 0.04	1 0.0	0.00	0.01	0.15	0.06	0.18	8 0.	37 0.0	0.0	0.02	0.0	0.2	9 0.00	0.00
Flesh-footed shearwater	0.1	2 0.0	0.03	0.12	2 0.73	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	Ο.	0.0	0.0	0.24	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00
Gibson's albatross	0.0	1 0.0	1 0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.39	0.00	0.	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.0	2 0.00	0.00
New Zealand white-capped albatross	0.2	7 0.0	2 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.04	0.0	6 0.	0.0	0.0	0.04	0.0	0.2	3 0.01	0.00
Chatham Island albatross	0.0	1 0.0	2 0.00	0.90	0.0	1 0.03	0.00	0.01	0.02	2 0.	0.0	0.0	0.03	0.0	0.0	0.18	0.00
Antipodean albatross	0.0	1 0.0	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.25	0.00	0.	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00
Westland petrel	0.0	2 0.0	3 0.00	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.09	0.02	2 0.	0.0	0.0	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.00	
Northern Buller's albatross	0.0	2 0.0	0.09	0.03	1 0.00	0.00	0.01	0.39	0.0	5 0.	0.0	0.0	0.03	0.0	0.0	0 0.01	
Campbell black-browed albatross	0.0						0.00	0.05	0.00		0.0	0.0			0.0		
Stewart Island shag	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.0	0.0	0.00	0.0			
White-chinned petrel	0.0								0.02		0.0						
Northern giant petrel	0.0								0.03		0.0						
Spotted shag	0.0	0.1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.00	
Northern royal albatross	0.0								0.00		0.0				_		
Chatham petrel	0.0	_				_			0.00		0.0						
Yellow-eyed penguin (mainland)	0.0								0.00		0.0						
Southern royal albatross	0.0								0.00		0.0				_		
Chatham Island taiko	0.0								0.00		0.0						
Snares Cape petrel	0.0										0.0						
Grey petrel	0.0								0.00		0.0				_		
Little black shag	0.0								0.00		0.0						
Light-mantled sooty albatross	0.0								0.00		0.0						
Fiordland crested penguin	0.0								0.00		0.0		_				
Grey-headed albatross	0.0								0.00		0.0		_		_		
New Zealand king shag	0.0				_				0.00		0.0						
New Zealand storm petrel	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00

# Observer Coverage Priorities (example)



	BLL			
Black petrel	Bluenose	CNIA DI I	Small inshore	
	BLL	SNA BLL	BLL	
	TWL			
Salvin's albatross	Small		Large	
	inshore	SCI trawl	processor	
	trawl		trawl	
		TWL		
Southern Buller's albatross	Large	Squid		
	meal	Trawl		
	trawl	IIawi		
Flesh-footed shearwater	BLL			
	SNA BLL	Small		
		inshore		
		BLL		
	SLL			
Gibson's albatross	Small SLL			
	(domes-			
	tic)			
	TWL			
New Zealand white-capped	Small			
albatross	inshore	SQU trawl		
	trawl			



# Cryptic Mortality Research - species with highest CM uncertainty



Common name	CM	
Black petrel	7	
Salvin's albatross	17	
Southern Buller's albatross	10	
New Zealand white-capped albatross	23	
Antipodean albatross	6	
Westland petrel	6	
Stewart Island shag	15	
White-chinned petrel	29	
Spotted shag	9	





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# Protected fish Medium-term Research Update

# Scope

# 7 Protected sharks White pointer

- Oceanic white tip
- Deepwater nurse
- Basking
- Whale
- Spine tailed devil ray
- Manta ray

# 2 Protected teleosts

- Giant grouper
- Spotted black grouper

Interaction, Population and Mitigation



# Guidance

# Goals NPOA-Sharks

- Biodiversity and long-term viability of shark populations
- Domestic engagement and partnerships
- International engagement
- Research and information

# **CSP Guiding Objectives**

- •Proven mitigation strategies are in place.
- •The nature of direct effects of commercial fishing on protected species is described.
- •The extent of known direct effects of commercial fishing on protected species is adequately understood.
- •The nature and extent of indirect effects of commercial fishing.
- •Adequate information on population level and susceptibility to fisheries effects exists.

# **Risk-Based Prioritisation**



- Informed by Francis and Lyon 'Review of commercial fisheries interactions and population information for protected fish species' (2012)
  - Informs key knowledge gaps
  - Identifies key areas of interaction
  - Indicates species of key priority
- Refined by outputs of level 1 and 2 risk assessments



# **Risk-Based Prioritisation**



- Refined based on relative rankings in the Level 1 Risk Assessment
  - Prioritise Species
  - Not used as an absolute measure
- Identification of knowledge gaps
  - Information generally sparse
  - Little knowledge of abundance indexes or population size

		Year				
Species	Research	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Basking shark	L1RA L2RA					
	MIT					
	SURV LIVE					
	TRACK BIO					
	GEN					
Deepwater nurse shark	L1RA L2RA					
	MIT					
	SURV LIVE TRACK					
	TRACK BIO					
	GEN					
Oceanic whitetip shark	L1RA L2RA					
	MIT SURV					
	LIVE					
	TRACK BIO					
T.T. 1 1 1	GEN					
Whale shark	L1RA L2RA					
	MIT SURV					
	LIVE					
	TRACK BIO					
7.71	GEN					
White pointer shark	L1RA L2RA					
	MIT SURV					
	LIVE					
	TRACK BIO					
Manakanana	GEN L1RA					
Manta ray	L2RA					
	MIT SURV					
	LIVE					
	TRACK BIO					
Spinetail devil ray	GEN L1RA					
Spinetali devil ray	L2RA					
	MIT SURV					
	LIVE TRACK					
	BIO GEN					
Giant grouper	GEN L1RA					
Giain grouper	L2RA					
	MIT SURV					
	LIVE TRACK					
	BIO					
Spotted black grouper	GEN L1RA					
opolied black grouper	L2RA				1	
	MIT SURV					
	LIVE TRACK					
	BIO					
	GEN					

