Digital Monitoring Implementation Advisory Group – Meeting Minutes 13 September 2018

Chair	Simon Watt (Bell Gully)				
Members	an Bolger (Fisheries New Zealand), Kevin McEvoy (Fisheries New Zealand), Rob Domanski (Speciality and Emerging Fisheries Group) manda Leathers (WWF), Jeremy Helson (Fisheries Inshore NZ Ltd), George Clement (Deepwater Group Ltd), Karen Baird (Forest & ird), Mark Edwards (Rock Lobster Industry Council), Michael Looker (The Nature Conservancy), Lesley Campbell (FishServe), Kim rummond (Te Ohu Kaimoana), Joshua Barclay (Blue Water Marine Research), Ian Angus (Department of Conservation)				
Fisheries New Zealand	Matt Perkins, Chris Bishop, Marie Fitzpatrick, Maria Hansard				
Apologies	Jeremy Cooper (Paua Industry Council), Keith Ingram (NZ Recreational Fisheries Council), Rosemary Hurst (NIWA)				
	Key discussion points				
1) Welcome	The Chair welcomed all IAG members to the meeting, and acknowledged Marie Fitzpatrick, Stakeholder & Engagement Lead for Fisheries New Zealand who replaces Liz Cossar.				
i. 28 th June 2018 Minutes 16 th May 2018	i. Minutes of the Digital Monitoring Implementation Advisory Group Meeting held on 28 th June 2018 were accepted and approved.				
Minutes	Minutes of the Digital Monitoring Implementation Advisory Group Meeting held on 16 th May 2018 were accepted and approved given no further comments received to date.				
Actions from 28 th June Meeting	There were four actions raised at the 28 th June 2018 meeting:				
	Action #77 Fisheries New Zealand to address the changes/comments to the 16th May Minutes and recirculate (red-line changes) to IAG prior to the next meeting (date to be advised) Fisheries NZ Open Next IAG or before. CLOSED				
	Action #78 Fisheries New Zealand to set up meeting to discuss outstanding actions and report back to IAG. OPEN The Chair noted that the IAG did not have the power to compel Fisheries NZ to undertake the actions from IAG meetings. Fisheries NZ noted that the meeting had not yet occurred and agreed to hold this meeting before the next IAG meeting.				
	Action #79 Fisheries New Zealand to create communications for IAG to be used when discussing implementation/timelines. OPEN				
	Action #80 Fisheries New Zealand to invite Nathan Walker back to IAG upon completion of Black Petrel Trial Review. Fisheries NZ Open When Review is completed. CLOSED				

Reminder about Confidentiality-Terms of Reference	The Chair reminded the IAG around confidentiality agreed to as part of the Terms of Reference. Confidential documents are not for distribution/circulation.			
2) Update from Fisheries New Zealand	 Dan Bolger advised that Rebecca Blowes has commenced as Director of Science and Information. This was the final appointment to the Leadership Team of Fisheries New Zealand. Penny Nelson has also joined MPI as Head of Policy and Trade Branch. In regards to policy issues, IAG were advised there was no update on supporting policies, such as Landings and Discards, which are with the Minister for consideration. Minister Nash had just made an announcement to expand Electronic Catch and Position Reporting. 			
Minister Nash press release on electronic catch and position reporting	 Kevin McEvoy noted that: the expansion of Electronic Catch and Position Reporting will begin on 14 January 2019 and was aiming to be completed by the end of 2019. Fisheries NZ would engage with SREs very soon regarding the amendment of Circulars. the next IAG would be an appropriate time to present the operating model around electronic catch and position reporting to give visibility around how breakdowns, risks and issues and the Business Continuity Plans would operate Fisheries New Zealand announced they had been to Cabinet and obtained decisions on amendments to ER/GPR regulations. 			
3) Implementation	Kevin thanked all those who supported the recent video filming Fisheries New Zealand carried out. It was a useful exercise to ge there and talk to real fishers, we're keen to have those conversations at all levels. Chris Bishop presented an overview of the staged-based ACE approach for electronic catch and position reporting following feed			
update – stage-based rollout	from industry on reducing the implementation risk. Fisheries New Zealand sought advice from IAG around criteria that could be applied to potentially enable Fisheries New Zealand to bring permit holders in to earlier stages, in a way that reduces risks to the overall programme. He noted this flexibility may be limited to no more than 25 vessels being shifted from one tranche to another. The technology providers would cover the costs of training and support related to the use of ER/GPR platforms. It is expected they would recover those costs either upfront through the capital cost of the platforms or through periodic charges. FNZ would provide training workshops and training material on obligations and requirements of ER/GPR at no cost to fishers. ACTION 82: Forward the revised Information Release Guidelines to IAG members. ACTION 83: Circulate Cabinet Paper and Regulatory Impact Statement to IAG members. ACTION 84: IAG members to provide feedback to Chris Bishop on potential early adoption criteria by 28th September 2018.			

4) Communications with fishers regarding Electronic Catch and Position Reporting	Marie Fitzpatrick presented the Stakeholder Engagement and Communications Plans for rolling out electronic catch and position reporting for remainder of vessels.
5) Any other business	The Chair reminded IAG that the Terms of Reference should be reviewed annually, and it seemed sensible to review at the next IAG.
	ACTION 85: Circulate Terms of Reference to IAG prior to next meeting. ACTION 86: Terms of Reference to be put on the Agenda for the next meeting
	The date of the next meeting to be reviewed and will be forwarded once decided.

Summary Actions

Action No	Date Raised	Action	Action Owner	Status	Action completed by
81	13/09/18	When ready, provide IAG members with a list of changes to be made to the Circulars	Fisheries NZ	Closed	01 October 2018
82	13/09/18	Forward revised Information Release Guidelines to IAG members	Fisheries NZ	Open	Next IAG or before
83A	13/09/18	Circulate Cabinet Paper to IAG members	Fisheries NZ	Closed	20 September 2018
83B	13/09/18	Circulate Regulatory Impact Statement to IAG members	Fisheries NZ	Open	Not expected till late 2018
84	28/06/18	Provide feedback to Chris Bishop around early adoption criteria.	IAG Members	Open	28/09/18
85	13/09/18	Circulate Terms of Reference to IAG prior to next meeting.	Fisheries NZ	Closed	21/09/18
86	13/09/18	Terms of Reference to be put on the Agenda for the next meeting	Fisheries NZ	Open	01/10/18