

## Appendix One: Vision, goals and objectives of draft National Plan of Action – Seabirds (2020)



<b>Avoiding Bycatch</b> Effective bycatch-mitigation practices are implemented in New Zealand Fisheries	1. All New Zealand commercial fishers are using practices that best avoid the risk of seabird bycatch enabled by appropriate regulations  2. Practices that effectively avoid risk of seabird bycatch are supported and promoted to recreational and customary non-commercial fishers
<b>Healthy Seabird Populations</b> Direct effects of New Zealand fishing do not threaten seabird populations	3. Research, monitoring and management actions are prioritised for seabird populations of particular concern <sup>11</sup> and their risk <sup>12</sup> ratios reduce  4. The estimated number of fishing-related deaths of all seabird populations is less than the average number between 2014/15 and 2016/17 <sup>13</sup>
<b>Research and Information</b> Further information to effectively manage fisheries impacts on seabirds is continuously improved	5. Research is undertaken to improve bycatch mitigation across sectors, especially those without effective mitigation (Note: mitigation may include spatial and temporal closures)  6. Monitoring programmes for New Zealand commercial fisheries are designed and implemented to provide statistically robust information to assess progress towards the NPOA-Seabirds 2020's objectives  7. Observation and monitoring methods are researched, developed and implemented across all sectors  8. A research programme provides information to reduce uncertainty in estimates of risk to seabirds from fishing
<b>International Engagement</b> New Zealand actively engages internationally to promote measures that reduce impacts on New Zealand seabirds	9. The risk to New Zealand seabirds from fisheries outside the New Zealand EEZ is assessed and communicated to international organisations, governments and other stakeholders  10. New Zealand advocates for the development, adoption, improvement, and uptake of seabird conservation measures <sup>14</sup>  11. New Zealand actively works bilaterally, multi-laterally, and with international organisations to build capacity to reduce the risk to New Zealand seabirds