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# New tuna research has implications for vulnerable bigeye

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Latest resasearch on bigeye tuna - the most vulnerable of all the tuna species fished in the waters of Pacific Island nations - shows there is much more mixing of stocks from the western and eastern Pacific than previously thought.

Scientists working for the Secretariat of the Pacific Community have found there is an exchange zone in the central Pacific - and this has big implications for how the fish are managed.

The scientists say their findings suggest Pacific Island nations need to work with the fisheries management authorities in the far-eastern Pacific if they want to ensure a future for the species.

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