Fishery Conservation and Management

§665.469 Gold coral harvest moratorium.

Fishing for, taking, or retaining any gold coral in any precious coral permit area is prohibited through June 30, 2013.

Subpart E—Pacific Remote Island Area Fisheries

§665.598 Management area.

The PRIA fishery management area is the EEZ seaward of Palmyra Atoll, Kingman Reef, Jarvis Island, Baker Island, Howland Island, Johnston Atoll, and Wake Island, Pacific Remote Island Areas with the inner boundary a line coterminous with the seaward boundaries of the above atolls, reefs and islands PRIA and the outer boundary a line drawn in such a manner that each point on it is 200 nautical miles from the baseline from which the territorial sea is measured, or is coterminous with adjacent international maritime boundaries.

§665.599 Area restrictions.

(a) Fishing is prohibited in all notake MPAs. The following U.S. EEZ waters are no-take MPAs: Landward of the 50 fathom (fm) (91.5 m) curve at Jarvis, Howland, and Baker Islands, and Kingman Reef; as depicted on National Ocean Survey Chart Numbers 83116 and 83153.

(b) Low-use MPAs. The following U.S. EEZ waters in the Western Pacific Region are low-use MPAs: All waters between the shoreline and the 50 fm (91.5 m) curve around Johnston Atoll, Palmyra Atoll, and Wake Island as depicted on National Ocean Survey Chart Numbers 83637, 83157 and 81664.

§665.600 PRIA bottomfish fisheries. [Reserved]

§665.601 Definitions.

As used in §§ 665.600 through 665.619:

PRIA bottomfish fishing permit means the permit required by §665.603 to use a vessel to fish for PRIA bottomfish MUS in the EEZ around the PRIA, or to land bottomfish MUS shoreward of the outer boundary of the EEZ around the PRIA, with the exception of EEZ waters around Midway Atoll. PRIA bottomfish management unit species (PRIA bottomfish MUS) means the following fish:

English common name	Scientific name
Silver jaw jobfish	Aphareus rutilans. Caranx ignobilis. Caranx lugubris. Epinephelus fasciatus. Etelis carbunculus. Etelis carbunculus. Etelis coruscans. Lethrinus rubrioperculatus. Pristipomoides auricilla. Pristipomoides filamentosus. Pristipomoides filamentosus. Variola louti.
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§665.602 [Reserved]

§665.603 Permits.

(a) Applicability. PRIA. The owner of any vessel used to fish for, land, or transship PRIA bottomfish MUS shoreward of the outer boundary of the PRIA subarea must have a permit issued under this section, and the permit must be registered for use with that vessel.

(b) *Submission*. An application for a permit required under this section must be submitted to PIRO as described in §665.13.

§665.604 Prohibitions.

In addition to the general prohibitions specified in §600.725 of this chapter and §665.16, it is unlawful for any person to do any of the following:

(a) Fish for PRIA bottomfish MUS using gear prohibited under §665.605.

(b) Fish for, or retain on board a vessel, PRIA bottomfish MUS in the PRIA without the appropriate permit registered for use with that vessel issued under § 665.13.

(c) Falsify or fail to make or file all reports of PRIA bottomfish MUS landings taken in the PRIA, containing all data in the exact manner, as specified in §665.14(b).

§665.605 Gear restrictions.

(a) Bottom trawls and bottom set gillnets. Fishing for PRIA bottomfish MUS with bottom trawls and bottom set gillnets is prohibited.

(b) *Possession of gear*. Possession of a bottom trawl and bottom set gillnet by any vessel having a permit under §665.603 or otherwise established to be