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Senator Whish-Wilson, Peter asked:

Is the net trial limited to 6 months?

Answer:

As specified by the *Management Plan for the NSW North Coast Shark Meshing Trial November 2016*:

- The period of the trial is 12 months from the date of commencement (17 November 2016).
- Mesh nets will only be in operation in the water for up to six months during this period.
- This six month period may not necessarily be run as an uninterrupted sequence, but could be divided into blocks of deployment.