## **RESULTS - 2024 PEIFA TUNA QUESTIONNAIRE**

- Surveys were scrutinized by 3 volunteers on May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 at the Farm Centre in Charlottetown
- 213 returned surveys out of 337 total commercial tuna license holders. This equates to a 63.2% return rate.
- All comments submitted with the questionnaires were recorded and will be presented to the Tuna Advisory Committee for further consideration.

## The following are the results by question:

- 1) Are you in favor of using 2 mt of PEI bluefin tuna quota for replacement tags for damaged fish due to shark bites.
  - 104 ballots Yes (48.8%)
  - 109 ballots No (51.2%)
  - 0 spoiled ballots (0%)
- 2) How many license holders should be permitted in a tuna partnership?
  - 83 ballots Remain at 2 licenses per partnership/Status Quo (39%)
  - <u>128 ballots Increase to 3 licenses per partnership (60%)</u>
  - 2 spoiled ballots (1%)
- 3) How many license holders should be mandated onboard while tuna fishing in a partnership?
  - 57 ballots The number of license holders in the partnership (2 or 3)/Status Quo (27%)
  - <u>156 ballots 1 license holder only (73%)</u>
  - 0 spoiled ballots (%)

The Committee would like to thank all those who submitted their feedback and appreciate their input in this process.