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Appendix S1

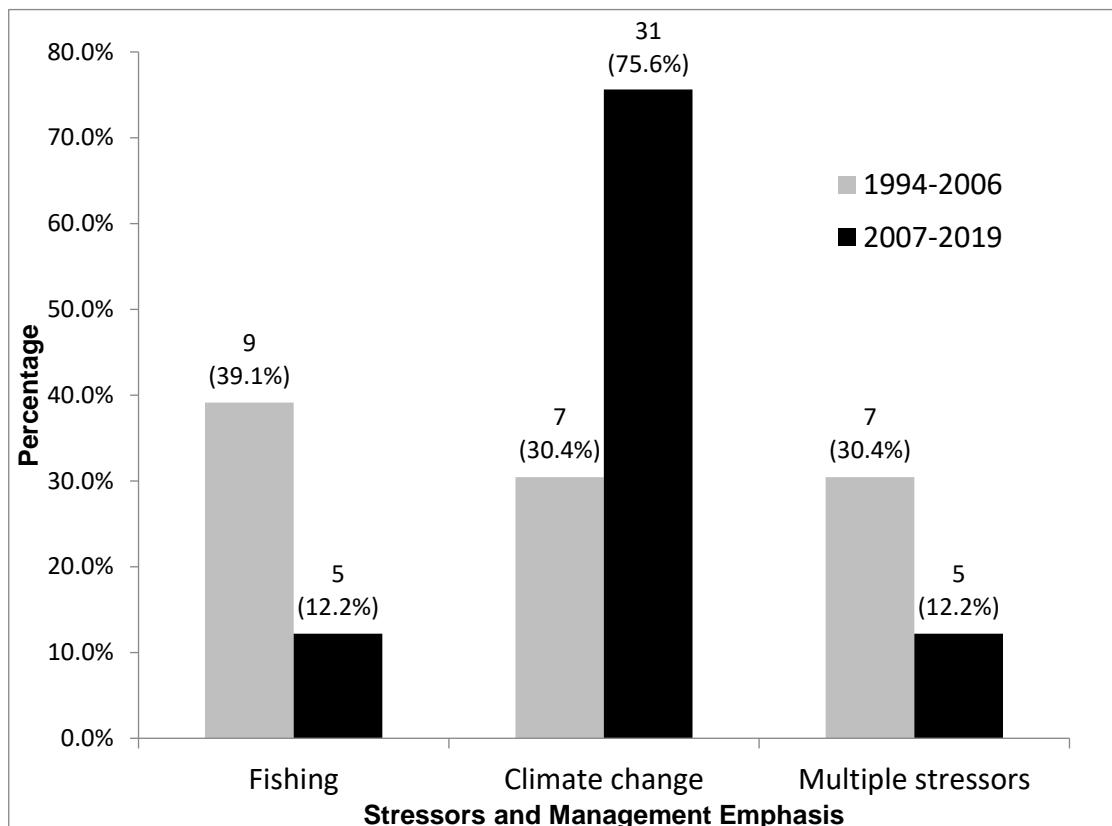


Figure S1. Results of a review of papers on stressors of "Coral Reefs" in Science and Nature, 1994-2019. Search Term "Coral Reefs". Number of papers = 64. A full list of the papers, and how they were categorised, is available on request from GRR. Science: Review, Reports, Viewpoint, Policy Forum, Insights/Perspectives (BUT NOT Letters or News) Nature: Letters, Review, Articles, Research (BUT NOT Correspondence, News & Views, Communications Arising).

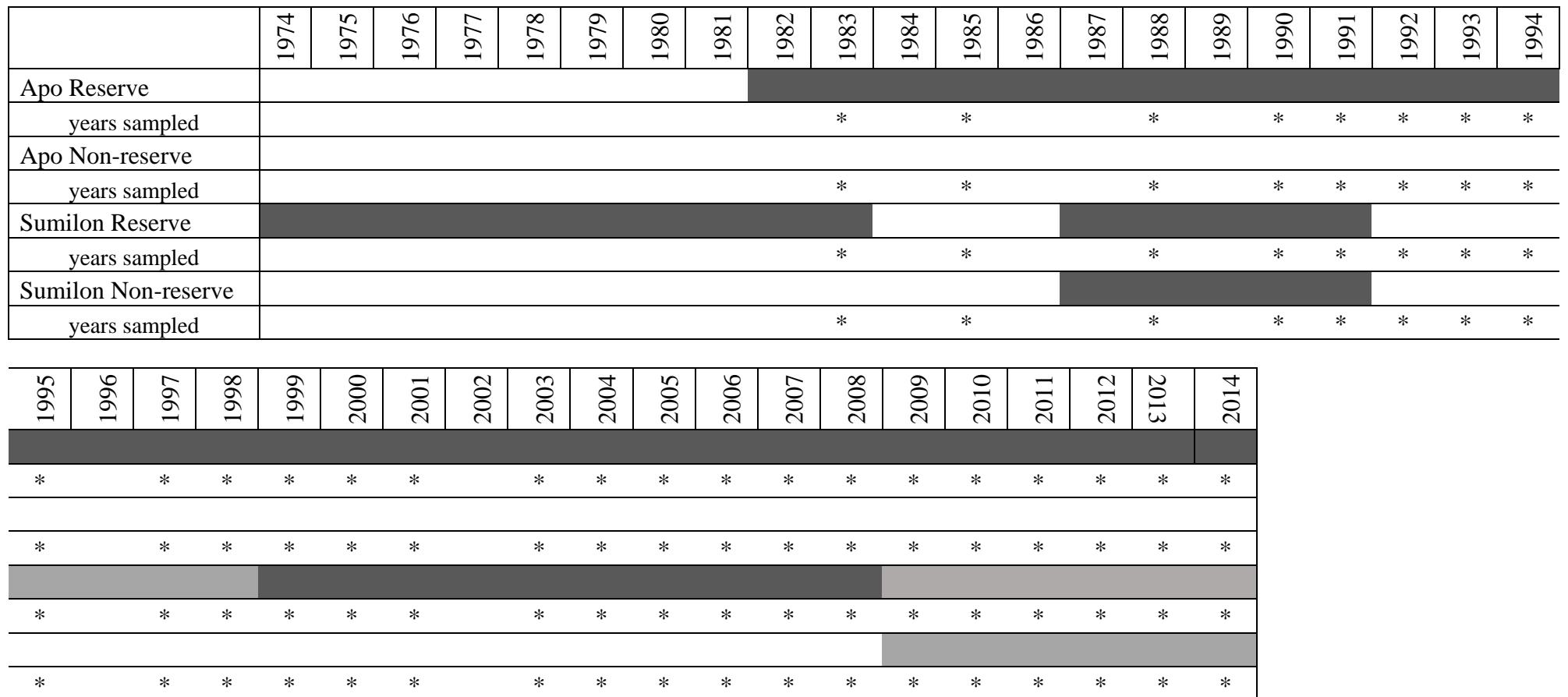


Figure S2. Protection history of study sites, 1974 – 2014. White bars = years that sites were open to all fishing, grey bars = years when sites were open to only hook and line fishing, and black bars = years when sites were closed to fishing. Asterisks = years of sampling.

Table S1. Coral reef fish species within trophic groups.

Trophic group/species	Trophic group/species	Trophic group/species	Trophic group/species	Trophic group/species
Generalist large predators	Large benthic foragers	Detritivores	Small benthic foragers	Large planktivores
<i>Lethrinus atkinsoni</i>	<i>Cheilinus diagramma</i>	<i>Acanthurus blochi</i>	<i>Chaetodon adiergastos</i>	<i>Acanthurus mata</i>
<i>L. erythracanthus</i>	<i>C. fasciatus</i>	<i>A. dussumieri</i>	<i>C. auriga</i>	<i>A. thomsoni</i>
<i>L. erythropterus</i>	<i>C. trilobatus</i>	<i>A. xanthopterus</i>	<i>C. ephippium</i>	<i>Aphareus furcatus</i>
<i>L. harak</i>	<i>Choerodon anchorago</i>	<i>Ctenochaetus binotatus</i>	<i>C. kleini</i>	<i>Caesio caeruleaurea</i>
<i>L. lentjan</i>	<i>Hemigymnus fasciatus</i>	<i>C. striatus/strigosus</i>	<i>C. lineolatus</i>	<i>C. cuning</i>
<i>L. microdon</i>	<i>H. melapterus</i>	<i>C. tomentiensi</i>	<i>C. lunula</i>	<i>C. lunaris</i>
<i>L. obsoletus</i>	<i>Lutjanus biguttatus</i>	Excavators	<i>C. melanotus</i>	<i>C. teres</i>
<i>L. olivaceus</i>	<i>L. fulviflamma</i>	<i>Cetoscarus bicolor</i>	<i>C. mertensii</i>	<i>Hemitaurichthys polylepis</i>
<i>L. ornatus</i>	<i>Mulloidess flavolineatus</i>	<i>Hipposcarus longiceps</i>	<i>C. ocellicaudus</i>	<i>Naso brevirostris</i>
<i>L. spp</i>	<i>Parupeneus barberinus</i>	<i>Chlorurus bleekeri</i>	<i>C. octofasciatus</i>	<i>N. minor</i>
<i>Lutjanus argentinimaculatus</i>	<i>P. barberinoides</i>	<i>C. bowersi</i>	<i>C. punctatofasciatus</i>	<i>N. thynnoides</i>
<i>L. bohar</i>	<i>P. bifasciatus/crassilabris</i>	<i>C. gibbus/microrhinos</i>	<i>C. rafflesii</i>	<i>N. vlamingii</i>
<i>L. decussatus</i>	<i>P. ciliatus</i>	<i>C. sordidus/spilurus</i>	<i>C. semeion</i>	<i>Pterocaesio diagramma</i>
<i>L. fulvus</i>	<i>P. cyclostomus</i>	Scrapers	<i>C. speculum</i>	<i>P. pisang</i>
<i>L. gibbus</i>	<i>P. multifasciatus/trilineata</i>	<i>Scarus altipinnis</i>	<i>C. ulietensis</i>	<i>P. randalli</i>
<i>L. monostigma</i>	<i>P. vanicolensis</i>	<i>S. chameleon</i>	<i>C. unimaculatus</i>	<i>P. tessellata</i>
<i>L. rivulatus</i>	<i>Plectrohinchus chaetodonoides</i>	<i>S. dimidiatus</i>	<i>C. vagabundus</i>	<i>P. tile</i>
<i>L. russelli</i>	<i>P. gaterinoides/lineatus</i>	<i>S. forsteni</i>	<i>C. xanthurus</i>	Small planktivores
<i>Macolor niger</i>		<i>S. frenatus</i>	<i>Forcipiger flavissimus</i>	<i>Abudefduf vaigiensis</i>
<i>Monotaxis grandoculis</i>	<i>P. lessoni</i>	<i>S. ghobban</i>	<i>Gomphosus varius</i>	<i>Amblyglyphidodon aureus</i>
Piscivores	<i>P. orientalis</i>	<i>S. globiceps</i>	<i>Scolopsis bilineatus</i>	<i>A. curacao</i>
<i>Anyperodon leucogrammicus</i>	<i>P. picus</i>	<i>S. lunula</i>	<i>S. lineatus</i>	<i>A. leucogaster</i>

<i>Aetheloperca rogaa</i>	<i>P. polytaenia</i>	<i>S. niger</i>	<i>Thalassoma hardwickii</i>	<i>Chromis amboinensis</i>
<i>Carangid spp.</i>	<i>P. spp.</i>	<i>S. oviceps</i>	<i>T. lunare</i>	<i>C. retrofasciata</i>
<i>Cephalopholis argus</i>	Croppers	<i>S. prasiognathus</i>	<i>Zanclus cornutus</i>	<i>C. ternatensis</i>
<i>C. boenack</i>	<i>Acanthurus japonicus</i>	<i>S. rivulatus</i>	Obligate corallivores	<i>C. viridis</i>
<i>C. cyanostigma</i>	<i>A. nigrofucus</i>	<i>S. spinidens</i>	<i>Chaetodon baronessa</i>	<i>C. weberi</i>
<i>C. leopardus</i>	<i>A. nigricans</i>	<i>S. tricolor</i>	<i>C. bennetti</i>	<i>Chrysiptera talboti</i>
<i>C. microprion</i>	<i>Naso annulatus</i>	<i>S. rubroviolaceus</i>	<i>C. ornatissimus</i>	<i>Cirrhilabrus spp.</i>
<i>C. miniatus</i>	<i>N. brachycentron</i>	Sandfeeders	<i>C. trifascialis</i>	<i>Dascyllus aruanus</i>
<i>C. sexmaculatus</i>	<i>N. lituratus</i>	<i>Acanthurs leucocheilus</i>	<i>C. trifasciatus</i>	<i>D. reticulatus</i>
<i>C. spp</i>	<i>N. tuberosus</i>	<i>A. nigricauda</i>	Omnivorous pomacentrids	<i>D. trimaculatus</i>
<i>C. urodetta</i>	<i>N. unicornis</i>	<i>A. olivaceus</i>	<i>Pomacentrus amboinensis</i>	<i>Pomacentrus coelestis</i>
<i>Epinephelus caeruleopunctatus</i>	<i>Siganus argenteus</i>	<i>A. pyroferus</i>	<i>P. brachialis</i>	<i>P. lepidogenys</i>
<i>E. fasciatus</i>	<i>S. canaliculatus</i>	<i>Scarus flavipectoralis</i>	<i>P. moluccensis</i>	<i>Pseudanthias huchti</i>
<i>E. fuscoguttatus</i>	<i>S. corallinus</i>	<i>S. psittacus</i>		<i>P. squammipinnis</i>
<i>E. malabaricus</i>	<i>S. doliatus</i>	<i>S. quoyi</i>		<i>P. tuka</i>
<i>E. merra</i>	<i>S. guttatus</i>	<i>S. schlegeli</i>		
<i>E. ongus</i>	<i>S. puillus</i>			
<i>E. polyphekadion</i>	<i>S. punctatus</i>			
<i>E. spp</i>	<i>S. punctatissimus</i>			
<i>Plectropomus areolatus</i>	<i>S. spinus</i>			
<i>P. laevis</i>	<i>S. unimaculatus</i>			
<i>P. oligocanthus</i>	<i>S. virgatus</i>			
<i>Variola albimarginata</i>	<i>S. vulpinus</i>			
<i>V. louti</i>	<i>Zebrasoma scopas</i>			
	<i>Z. veliferum</i>			

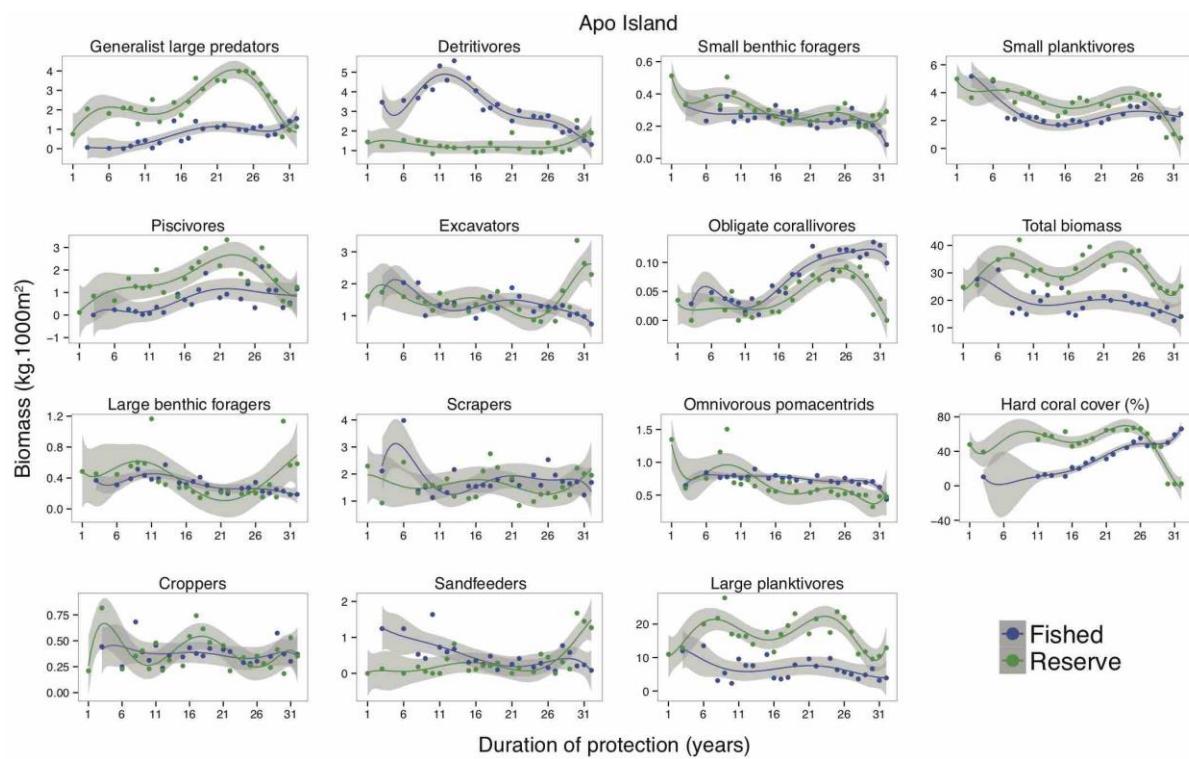


Figure S3. Long-term (1983-2014) temporal trends in biomass of different trophic groups, total fish biomass, and hard coral cover versus years of protection by no-take marine reserve (NTMR) status at Apo Island. Data points are means, trend lines are sixth order polynomials, and shading represents 95% confidence intervals. NTMR site is shown in green and fished site in blue. Note that the y-axis for hard coral is percent cover, not biomass. Note y-axis ranges differ among panels.

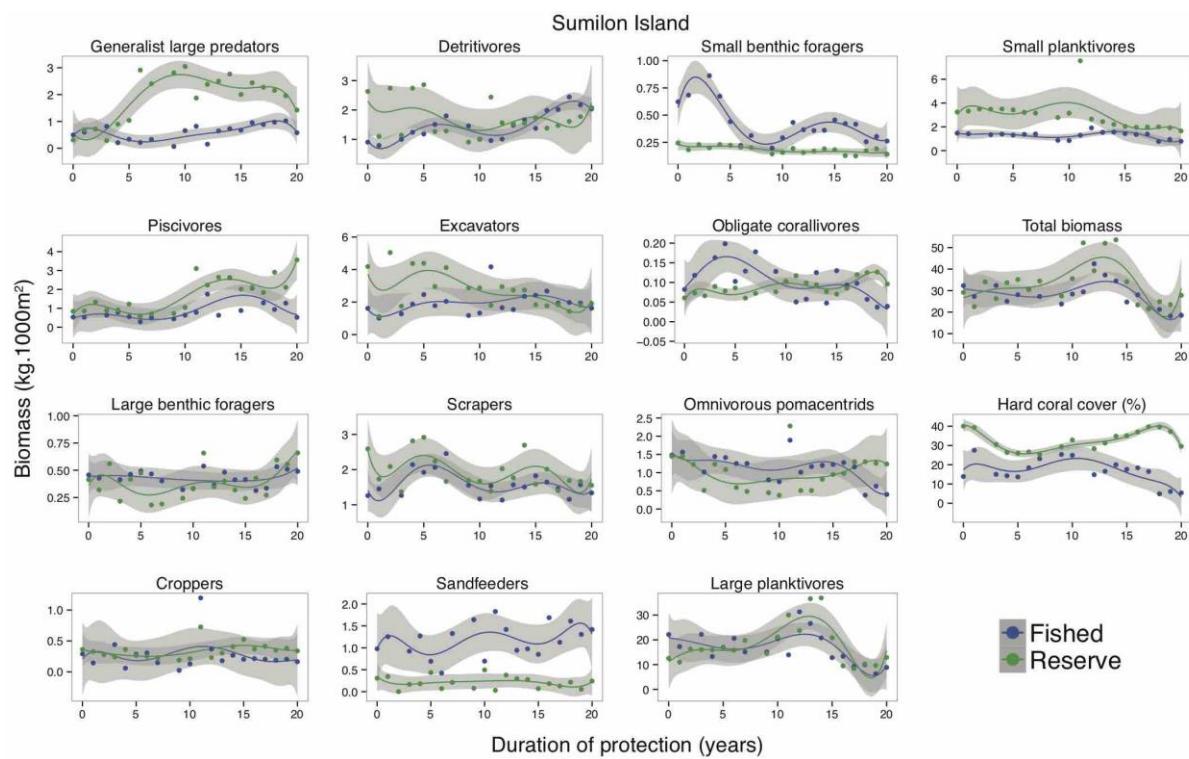


Figure S4. Long-term (1983-2014) temporal trends in biomass of different trophic groups, total fish biomass, and hard coral cover versus years of protection by no-take marine reserve (NTMR) status at Sumilon Island. Data points are means, trend lines are sixth order polynomials, and shading represents 95% confidence intervals. NTMR site shown in green and fished site in blue. Note that the y-axis for hard coral is percent cover, not biomass. Note y-axis ranges differ among panels.

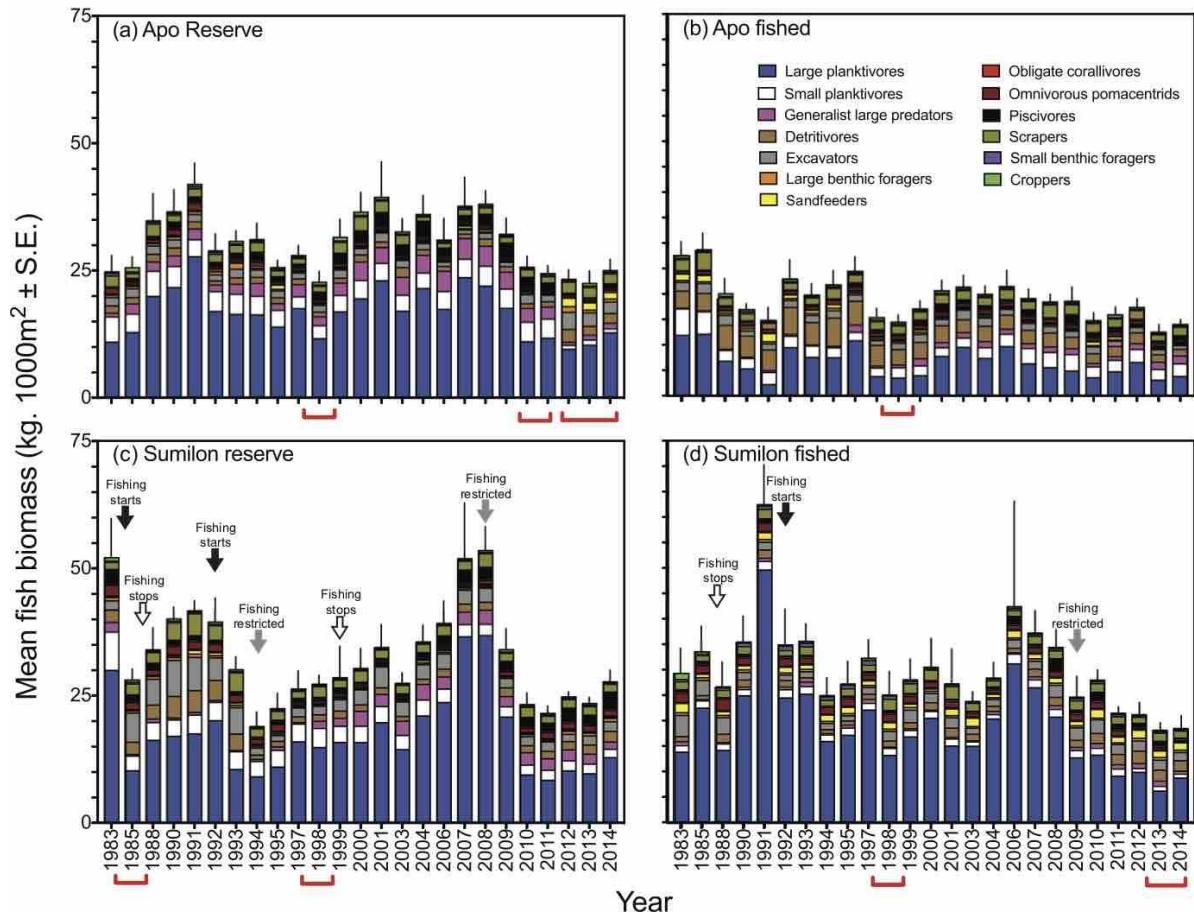


Figure S5. Long-term (1983-2014) temporal trends in mean biomass (\pm SE) of coral reef trophic groups at four sites. (a) Apo reserve – environmental disturbances (red brackets) from left to right are coral bleaching, local storm and back-to-back typhoons. (b) Apo fished – environmental disturbance (red brackets) is coral bleaching. (c) Sumilon reserve – environmental disturbances (red brackets) from left to right are destructive fishing, and crown-of-thorns and coral bleaching. Arrows indicate when fishing starts, stops or is restricted (= line fishing allowed). (d) Sumilon fished – environmental disturbances (red brackets) from left to right are coral bleaching and typhoon. Arrows indicate when fishing starts, stops or is restricted (= line fishing allowed).

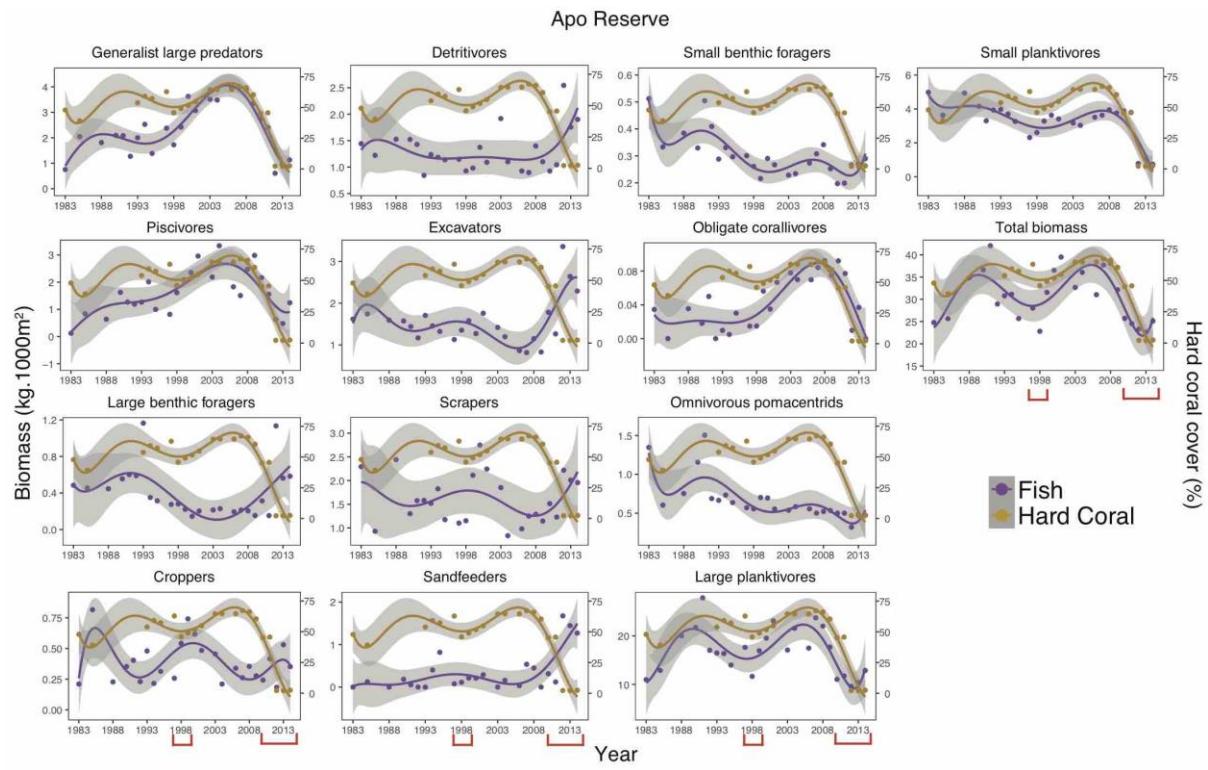


Figure S6. Long-term (1983-2014) temporal trends in biomass (left y-axis) of different trophic groups, and hard coral cover (right y-axis) at Apo Reserve. Data points are means, trend lines are sixth order polynomials, and shading represents 95% confidence intervals. Fish biomass is purple and hard coral is brown. Note y-axis ranges differ among panels. Environmental disturbances (red brackets) from left to right are coral bleaching (1998), local storm (2010) and back-to-back typhoons (2011-2012).

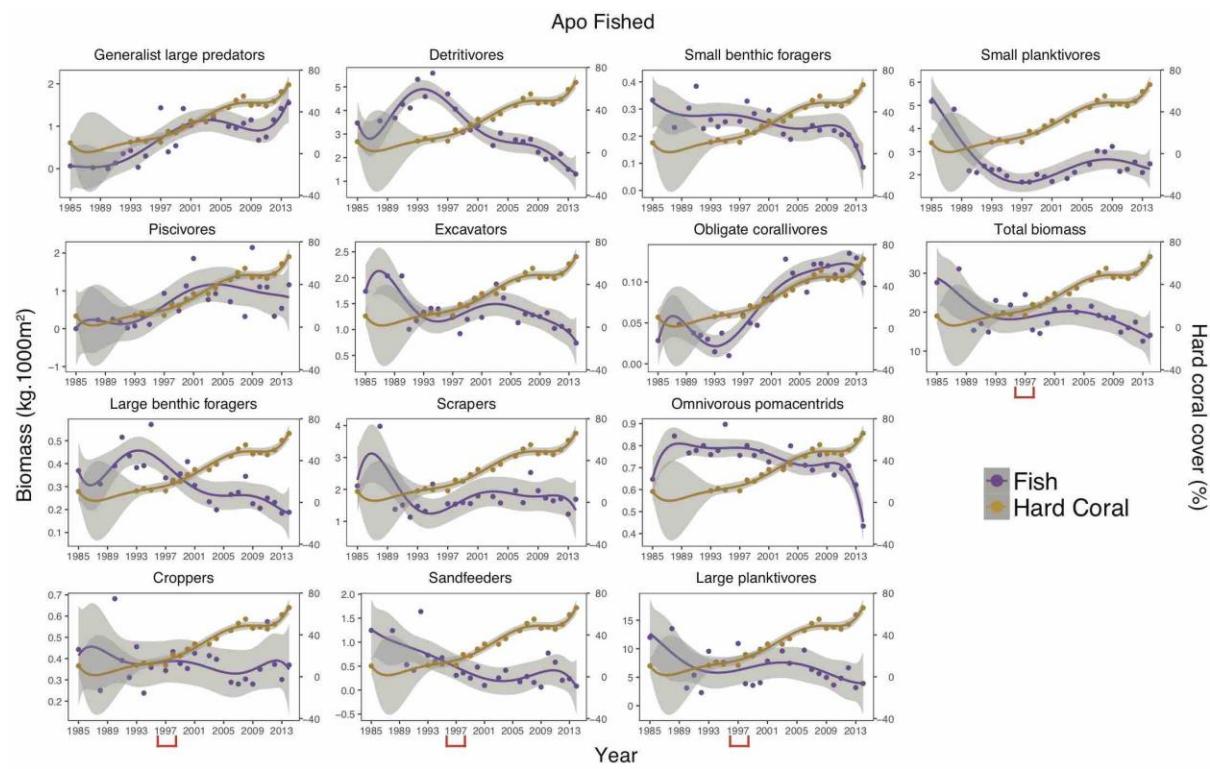


Figure S7. Long-term (1983-2014) temporal trends in biomass (left y-axis) of different trophic groups, and hard coral cover (right y-axis) at Apo fished site. Data points are means, trend lines are sixth order polynomials, and shading represents 95% confidence intervals. Fish biomass is purple and hard coral is brown. Note y-axis ranges differ among panels. Environmental disturbance (red brackets) is coral bleaching (1998).

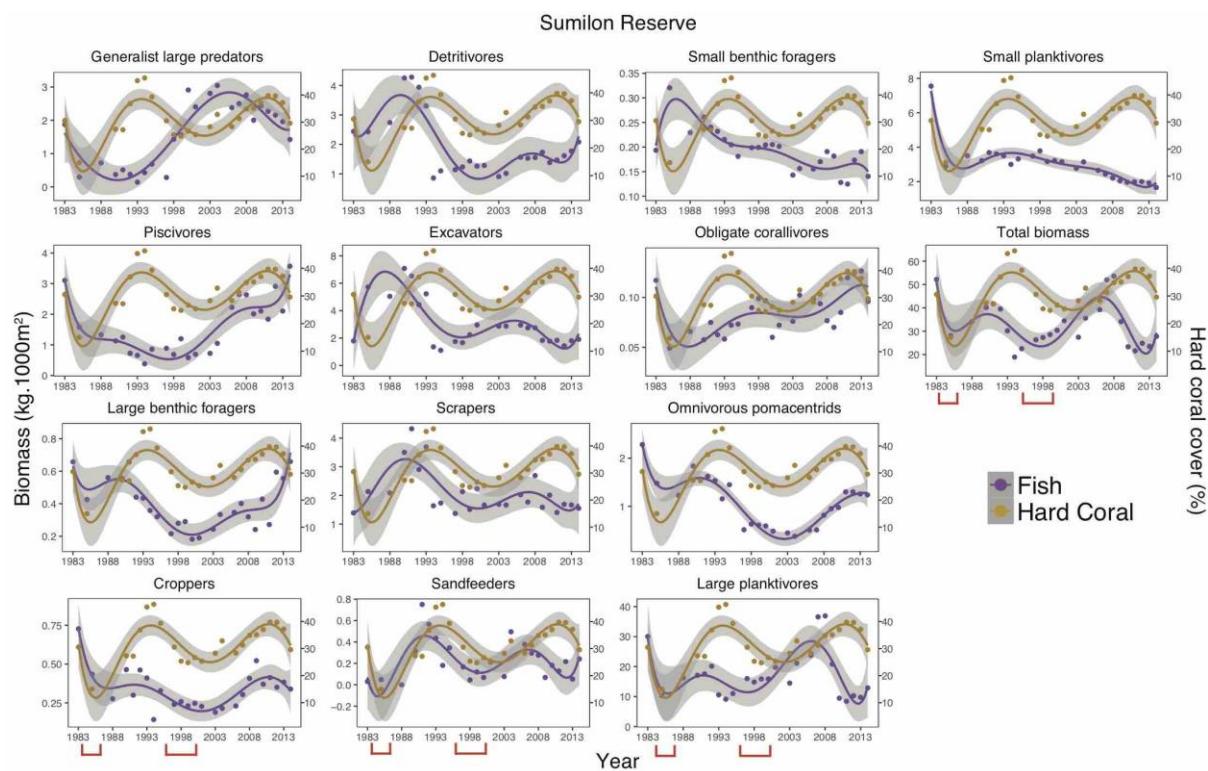


Figure S8. Long-term (1983-2014) temporal trends in biomass (left y-axis) of different trophic groups, and hard coral cover (right y-axis) at Sumilon Reserve. Data points are means, trend lines are sixth order polynomials, and shading represents 95% confidence intervals. Fish biomass is purple and hard coral is brown. Note y-axis ranges differ among panels. Environmental disturbances (red brackets) from left to right are destructive fishing (1984), and crown-of-thorns and coral bleaching (1998).

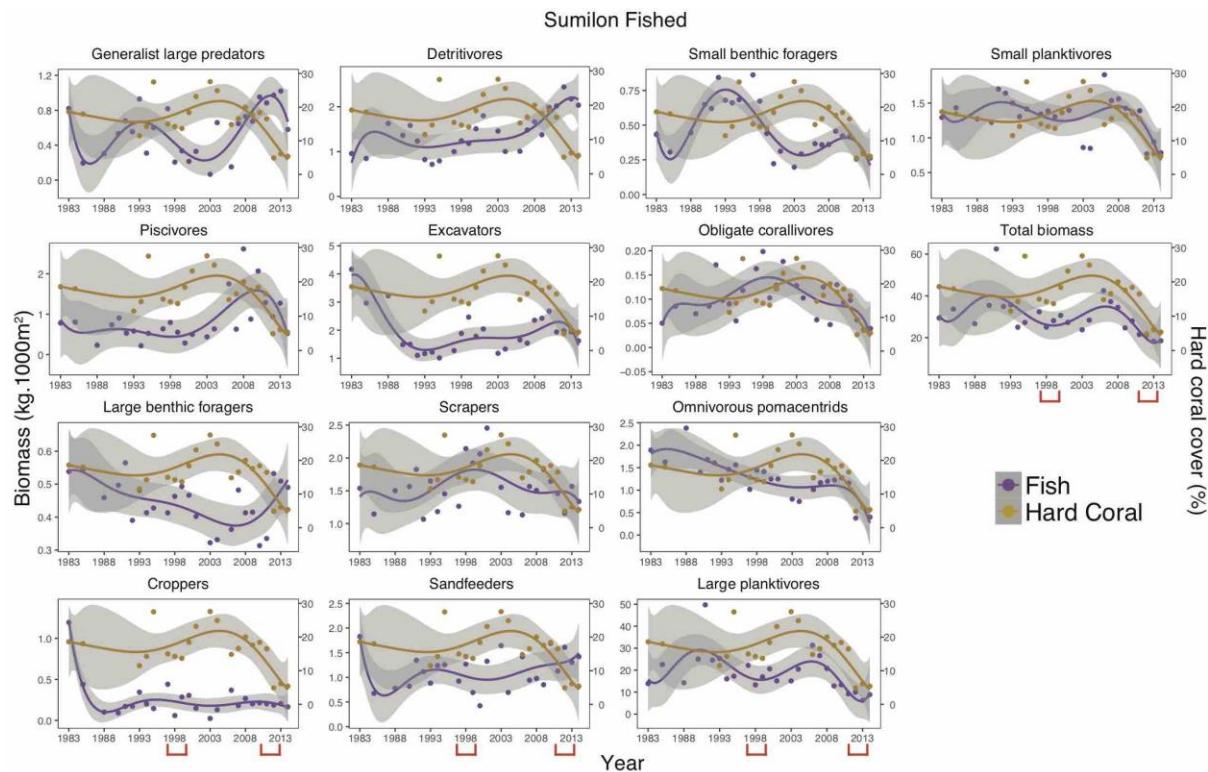


Figure S9. Long-term (1983-2014) temporal trends in biomass (left y-axis) of different trophic groups, and hard coral cover (right y-axis) at Sumilon fished site. Data points are means, trend lines are sixth order polynomials, and shading represents 95% confidence intervals. Fish biomass is purple and hard coral is brown. Note y-axis ranges differ among panels. Environmental disturbances (red brackets) from left to right are coral bleaching (1998) and typhoon (2012).