

Department of Commerce
 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
 Foreign Fishing Observer Fund
PROGRAM AND PERFORMANCE: DIRECT OBLIGATIONS
 (Dollar amounts in thousands)

	Positions	FTE	Budget Authority	Direct Obligations
FY 2007 Continuing Resolution	-	-	-	261
less: Obligations from prior year balances	-	-	-	-
FY 2008 Base	-	-	-	261
plus: 2008 Program Changes	-	-	-	-
FY 2008 Estimate	-	-	-	261

Comparison by activity/subactivity	FY 2006 Actuals		FY 2007 Currently Available		FY 2008 Base Program		FY 2008 Estimate		Increase/ Decrease	
	Personnel	Amount	Personnel	Amount	Personnel	Amount	Personnel	Amount	Personnel	Amount
FTE/OBL	-	-	-	261	-	261	-	261	-	-
Total: Foreign Fishing Observer Fund	Pos/BA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	FTE/OBL	-	-	-	261	-	261	-	261	-

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SUMMARY OF RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS
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	FY 2006		FY 2007		FY 2008		FY 2008		Increase/ Decrease	
	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount
Direct Discretionary Obligation	-	-	-	261	-	261	-	261	-	-
Total Obligations	-	-	-	261	-	261	-	261	-	-
Adjustments to Obligations:										
Unobligated balance, adj. SOY	-	(522)	-	(522)	-	(261)	-	(261)	-	-
Unobligated balance, EOY	-	522	-	261	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Budget Authority	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Financing from Transfers and Other:										
Net Appropriation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Appropriation: Foreign Fishing Observer Fund

GOAL STATEMENT:

The goals of this fund are to provide 100 percent observer coverage aboard foreign vessels fishing within the United States' EEZ; to increase compliance with fishery regulations and requirements; to support balanced conservation and management measures to achieve and maintain the optimum use of our living marine resources; to collect data to determine foreign compliance with fishery regulations and the status of fish stocks within the EEZ of the United States; and to administer the base and supplemental observer programs in a cost-effective manner.

BASE DESCRIPTION:

The Foreign Fishing Observer Fund is financed through fees collected from owners and operators of foreign fishing vessels fishing within the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) of the United States (such fishing requires a permit issued under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act). This includes long-line vessels fishing in the Atlantic billfish and shark fishery and other foreign vessels fishing in the EEZ. The fund is used by NOAA to pay salaries, administrative costs, data editing and entry costs, and other costs incurred in placing observers aboard foreign fishing vessels. The observer program is conducted primarily through contracts with the private sector. NOAA/NMFS places these observers aboard foreign fishing vessels to monitor compliance with U.S. fishery laws and to collect fishery management data. Amounts available in the Fund can be disbursed only to the extent and in amounts provided in appropriation acts.

In FY 1985 Congress approved the establishment of a supplemental observer program. The program provided that foreign vessels without Federally-funded observers are required to obtain the services of private contractors certified by the Secretary of Commerce.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

No legislation is proposed.

SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL DATA

(Dollars in thousands)

Foreign Fishing Observer Fund	FY 2006 ACTUALS	FY 2007 CURRENTLY AVAILABLE	FY 2008 BASE PROGRAM	FY 2008 ESTIMATE	INCREASE / DECREASE
TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-
FTE	-	-	-	-	-

Note: The dollars in this table represent budget authority.

PROGRAM CHANGES FOR FY 2008:

No program changes are requested for this activity.

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SUMMARY OF REQUIREMENTS BY OBJECT CLASS
(Dollar amounts in thousands)

Object Class	FY 2006 Actuals	FY 2007 Currently Available	FY 2008 Base Program	FY 2008 Estimate	Increase/(Decrease) over FY 2008 Base
11 Personnel compensation					
11.1 Full-time permanent	-	-	-	-	-
11.3 Other than full-time permanent	-	-	-	-	-
11.5 Other personnel compensation	-	-	-	-	-
11.8 Special personnel services payments	-	-	-	-	-
11.9 Total Personnel Compensation	-	-	-	-	-
12.1 Civilian personnel benefits	-	-	-	-	-
13.1 Benefits for former personnel	-	-	-	-	-
21.1 Travel and transportation of persons	-	-	-	-	-
22.1 Transportation of things	-	-	-	-	-
23.1 Rental payments to GSA	-	-	-	-	-
23.2 Rental payments to others	-	-	-	-	-
23.3 Communications, utilities and miscellaneous charges	-	-	-	-	-
25.2 Other services	-	-	-	-	-
26.1 Supplies and materials	-	-	-	-	-
31.1 Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
32.1 Lands and structures	-	-	-	-	-
33.1 Investments and loans	-	-	-	-	-
41.1 Grants, subsidies and contributions	-	-	-	-	-
42.1 Insurance claims and indemnities	-	261	261	261	-
43.1 Interest and dividends	-	-	-	-	-
44.1 Refunds	-	-	-	-	-
99 Total Obligations	-	261	261	261	-
Less Prior year recoveries	-	-	-	-	-
Less Unobligated Balance, Start of Year	(522)	(522)	(261)	(261)	-
Plus Unobligated Balance, End Of Year	522	261	-	-	-
Total Budget Authority	-	-	-	-	-

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Object Class	FY 2006 Estimate	FY 2007 President's Budget	FY 2008 Base	FY 2008 Estimate	Increase/ (Decrease) over FY 2008 Base
Personnel Data					
Full-Time equivalent Employment:					
Full-time permanent	-	-	-	-	-
Other than full-time permanent	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-
Authorized Positions:					
Full-time permanent	-	-	-	-	-
Other than full-time permanent	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-