



FY 2009 NOAA BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS



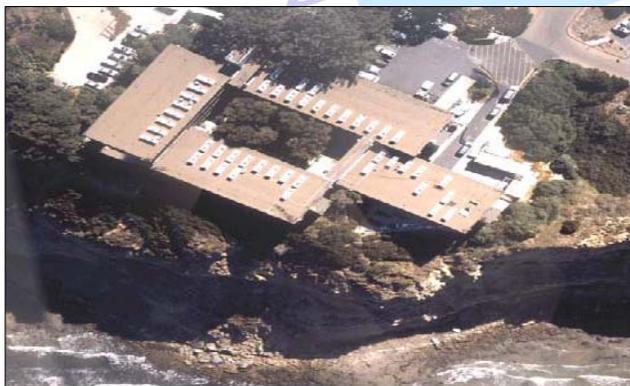
Program Support

NOAA Program Support (PS) requests \$320.9 million in FY 2009, reflecting a net increase of \$63.6 million over the FY 2008 President's Budget and a net increase of \$57.1 million over the FY 2008 enacted level. This budget request supports the funding and program requirements necessary to address established NOAA strategic goals and sets Program Support on a path to achieve its vision: to support the people (and, in turn, the programs) of NOAA, ensuring they have the proper work environment, the necessary tools and equipment, and the vital personnel, legal and financial services.

FY 2009 Program Change Highlights

Additional Acquisition and Grants Office (AGO) Support +\$1.2M: NOAA's AGO provides annual acquisition and grants support to DOC and NOAA valued at approximately \$2 billion, representing an over 300 percent increase in workload in just five years. This funding increase will support nine additional dedicated acquisition and grants personnel, bringing the support level up to one sufficient to ensure successful obligation of this volume of contractual and financial assistance actions. Requested funding will also provide dedicated personnel and funding to implement an effective procurement oversight program required by NOAA Corrective Action Plans with the OIG and GAO.

Competitive Educational Grants +\$1.0M: This increase addresses the America COMPETES (Creating Opportunities to Meaningfully Promote Excellence in Technology, Education and Science) Act requirements by leveraging external capability through competitive grant awards that promote environmental literacy in NOAA related fields and the use of NOAA data and products in formal and informal education settings.



Southwest Fisheries Science Center +\$12.1M: This increase will complete the design phase for the replacement laboratory facility for the Southwest Fisheries Science Center following an analysis of alternatives to determine the most appropriate site... This initiative will enable NOAA to address the ongoing

natural bluff erosion threatening the current site, and the NOAA programs supported at this site. NOAA conducts scientific research and critical fisheries management issues at this location.

Pacific Regional Center (PRC) +\$40.3M: Funds will be used to continue construction at NOAA's facility on Ford Island, Honolulu, HI. This increase will allow NOAA to continue support for construction of the main facility complex of the PRC, and enable NOAA to relocate operations from the current, deteriorating Kewalo Basin and Dole Street facilities. By bringing its programs together into one facility, NOAA expects to realize benefits in improved operations and mission performance, as well as longer-term operational savings across NOAA in delivering products and services in the Pacific Region. The consolidated facility will provide a cost-effective alternative to capital investments required to replace facilities that have outlived their useful lives, as well as ongoing (and increasing) lease costs. NOAA has already moved its ship operations (pier-side support for three ships and a shore-side support facility) to Ford Island.



Fairbanks Command and Data Acquisition Station (CDAS) +\$11.7M: The requested increase will allow NOAA to avoid the catastrophic failure of the NESDIS Operations Building Complex, a component of the CDAS in Fairbanks, Alaska. This funding will support the installation of a semi-permanent replacement structure for the at-risk Operations Complex. The Army Corps of Engineers completed a study of the facility in 2006 that projected a major structural failure in the next five years, posing substantial risk to NOAA personnel and threatening the support of critical polar-orbiting satellite mission operations.

PS FY 2009 Budget Request (\$ in Millions)				
	FY 2007 Enacted	FY 2008 Enacted	FY 2009 Request	FY09 Request vs. FY08 Enacted
ORF	\$233.0	\$240.5	\$233.9	(\$6.6)
PAC	\$29.2	\$23.2	\$87.0	\$63.8
TOTAL	\$262.2	\$263.7	\$320.9	\$57.1

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