



PROGRAM SUPPORT

FY 2013 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

Program Support (PS) requests \$476.8M in FY 2013, reflecting a net increase of \$9.7M from the FY 2012 Estimate. This budget request supports the planning, administrative, financial, procurement, information technology, human resources, and infrastructure services that are essential to the safe and successful performance of NOAA's mission. Program Support consists of Corporate Services, NOAA's Office of Education, Facilities, and the Office of Marine and Aviation Operations (OMAO).

Aviation Operations +\$2.0M: will increase operations supporting hurricane research and reconnaissance, snow survey, ocean winds, and winter storms observations. This funding will provide an additional 595 Flight Hours of critical in-situ observations supporting NOAA's mission to promote global environmental assessment, prediction and stewardship of the Earth's environment.

Environmental Compliance +\$1.0M: will support proactive compliance with environmental regulations to maintain NOAA's position as a leader in environmental stewardship and in executing the Administration's energy priorities. New regulations, including stricter emissions requirements and discharge requirements, from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) require changes to the existing ship fleet to ensure compliance is maintained and monetary fines are avoided.

Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO), Enterprise IT Security -\$1.3M: reflects reduced requirements in this line as NOAA moves to a new funding model for its enterprise IT security needs. The frequency, sophistication, and maliciousness of cyber attacks in NOAA are rapidly increasing, and NOAA experiences thousands of attacks every month. Through the new model, the OCIO will centrally manage a portion of current Line Office IT investments, ensuring efficient and coordinated oversight of crucial enterprise

PS FY 2013 Budget Request (\$ Millions)

	FY11 Enacted	FY12 Estimate	FY13 Request	FY13 Request vs. FY12 Estimate
ORF	\$443.7	\$434.5	\$431.9	(\$2.6)
PAC	\$16.4	\$2.4	\$14.6	\$12.2
OTHER	\$30.1	\$30.2	\$30.2	\$0
TOTAL	\$490.2	\$467.1	\$476.8	\$9.7

wide IT security projects that will mitigate risks threatening NOAA's daily operations.

NOAA Education Program Base -\$6.3M: This decrease includes \$0.67M for the Education Initiative, which provides administration and oversight to the Office of Education, a decrease of \$2.6M for the Educational Partnership Program, and a decrease of \$3.1M to terminate NOAA's Competitive Education Grant Program.

Charleston Homeport -\$0.2M: will consolidate the Charleston, South Carolina homeport with the Marine Operations Center and homeport in Norfolk, Virginia. Charleston is currently home to Ronald H. Brown and Nancy Foster, their crews, a port captain, and port engineer. The ships and their crews, along with employees, will be relocated to Norfolk. This relocation will increase efficiency and NOAA will strive to minimize disruption to staff and missions. The consolidated location will improve training, logistics and fleet maintenance and will eliminate dredging costs of \$150,000 required every three years.

