

Please file NOAA DIRECTIVES MANUAL 05-54

SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority to Administer Grants for Office of Coastal Zone Management

TO: Financial Management Centers

1. Department of Commerce Organization Order 25-5A (DOO 25-5A) delegates to the Administrator, with certain reservations, the Secretary's functions prescribed by, among other authority, the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, that Act's Amendments of 1976 (Public Law 94-370), and the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972.

2. Department of Commerce Order 25-5B and its amendments prescribe the internal organization and assignment of functions within NOAA. DOO 25-5B describes the duties associated with authorities delegated to the Associate Administrator for Coastal Zone Management by NOAA Circular 76-82 (Filed as NDM 05-55), and delegates certain functions in the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act to the Associate Administrator for Coastal Zone Management.

3. DOO 25-5B redelegates to the Associate Administrator for Coastal Zone Management the Administrator's responsibilities for grants management in support of the development and administration of coastal zone management programs and the Administrator's responsibilities for a Coastal Energy Impact Program (CEIP), a program of financial assistance to States and localities through loans, bond guarantees, and grants.

4. The Associate Administrator for Coastal Zone Management hereby redelegates to the Assistant Administrator for Administration responsibility and authority for all administrative and procedural support functions for grants management connected with all grants programs administered by the Associate Administrator for Coastal Zone Management. Specifically excluded from this redelegation are the loans and bond guarantees under the Coastal Energy Impact Program (CEIP). The Associate Administrator for Coastal Zone Management reserves and retains all program, technical, and funding control of such grants, programs and projects; individual loans, guarantees and grants; plus the responsibility and authority for all administrative and procedural support functions connected with loans and bond guarantees.

5. Specifically, under this delegation of authority it is anticipated that the Assistant Administrator for Administration will perform the following functions in connection with such Coastal Zone programs:

a. Establish and implement administrative and procedural aspects of grants management for Coastal Zone grant programs as a part of the centralized NOAA grants management program.

b. Exercise "binding" authority for NOAA, cosigning documents with the Associate Administrator for Coastal Zone Management, securing clearances as required in each instance from the NOAA Office of General Counsel, the Department of Commerce, and other Federal departments and offices that may be involved.

c. Provide central processing of documents, and maintain reporting contact as required for coordination of Coastal Zone grant programs and projects within the framework of NOAA's overall grants management program. (Contact may be required with the Department of Commerce, other Federal Agencies, State and regional organizations or governments, grantees, and the general public through the medium of the Federal Register.)

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ENDORSEMENT

The above authority delegated to the Assistant Administrator for Administration is hereby redelegated to the Grants Management Officer, Administrative Operations Division, AD11.

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