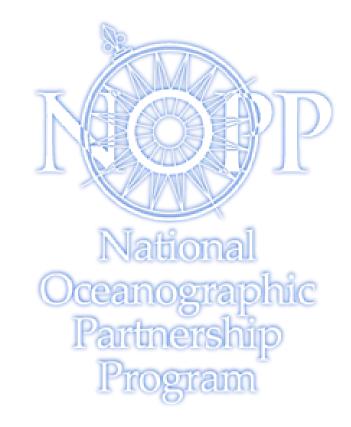
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Defense Authorization Act

(1997 - Public Law 104-201)

(Reauthorized and strengthened 2021 - Public Law 116-283)

Purpose

"To promote the national goals of assuring national security, advancing economic development, protecting quality of life, ensuring environmental stewardship, and strengthening science education and communication through **improved knowledge of the ocean**..."

"by creating and carrying out partnerships among Federal agencies, academia, industry, and other members of the oceanographic community in the areas of science, data, technology development, resources, education, and communication."



What is NOPP?

- Enables federal ocean agencies to collaborate and coordinate on research areas of mutual interest
- NOPP projects involve:
 - Multiple federal agencies in either performance or sponsorship;
 - At least two sectors of public, private, and academia; and
 - O Coordinated agency review
- NOPP agencies coordinate and define solicitation topics with academic and/or industry partners and provide direct support to projects via several mechanisms, including cooperative agreements, interagency agreements, and competitive opportunities, such as BAAs

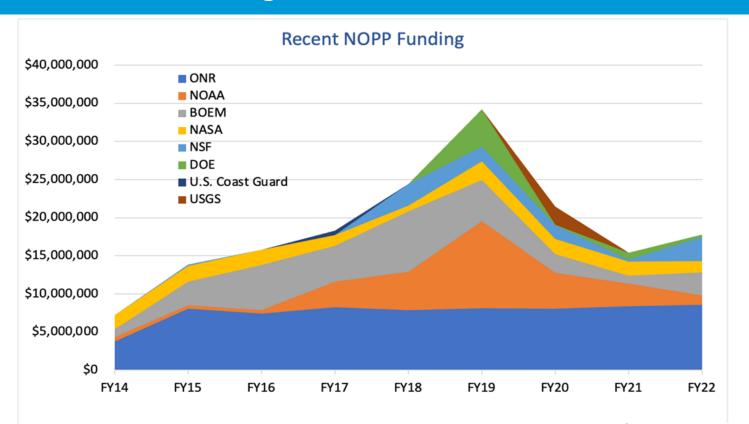


NOPP at a glance

- Since 1998, \$501M in NOPP awards have supported:
 - 304 projects
 - >726 partners
 - >193 government partners
 - >244 industry partners
 - >289 academic partners
- Programs started via NOPP include:
 - Integrated Ocean Observing System
 - Global Argo float array
 - HYCOM global ocean model
 - Census of Marine Life
 - Ocean Science Education Resource Center



Recent NOPP Funding



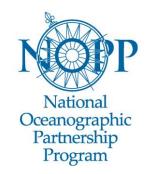
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FY23 Marine Carbon Dioxide Removal Funding Opportunity Coordinated through NOPP

\$24.3M fundraised by interagency and philanthropic partners
This includes NOAA funding received from the Inflation Reduction Act



















Looking ahead for NOPP

Renewed interest in NOPP across government with a desire to facilitate greater use of public-private partnerships to execute ocean projects ("NOPP 2.0")

- Identifying out-year research priorities including potential large projects beyond the scope of limited dedicated pots
- Work with other IWG's to leveraged NOPP and advance their priorities
- Increasing partnership with philanthropies and private industry and leveraging the new NOPP Program Office
- Expanding possibilities under the FAR and exploring new financial mechanisms
- Leveraging other federal resources and financial tools outside NOPPagencies to support ocean priorities

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