

US National Ocean Policy and Framework for Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning (CMSP)

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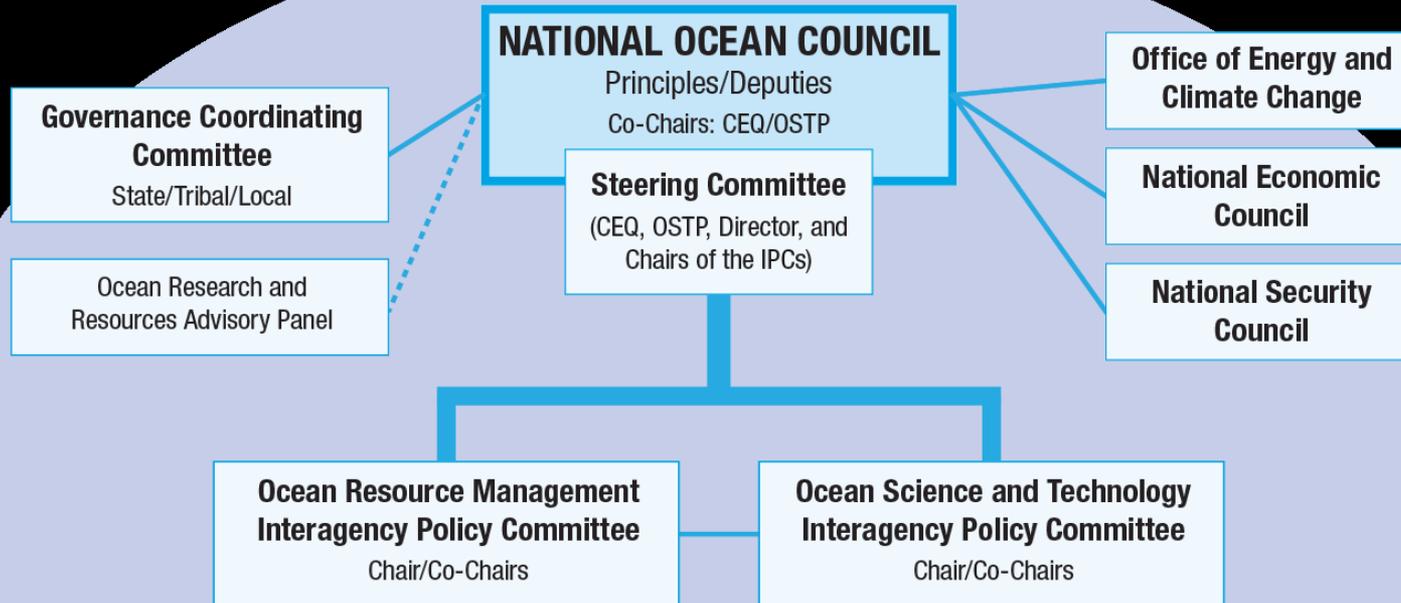
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National Ocean Policy

Outcomes of the July 2010 Final Recommendations of the Interagency Ocean Policy Task Force

- Creation of the National Ocean Council
- Established 9 National Priority Objectives
 - How we do business
 - Areas of Special Emphasis
- Developed Framework for Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning
- Called for establishment of Regional Planning Bodies

National Ocean Policy



Working groups could be retained or established as standing or ad hoc Sub-Interagency Policy Committees (IPCs): e.g., Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning, Ocean Acidification, Ocean Observations, Mapping, Ocean Education, Climate Resiliency and Adaptation, Regional Ecosystem Protection and Restoration, Water Quality and Sustainable Practices on Land, and Arctic.

The Extended Continental Shelf Task Force and other designated interagency committees, as appropriate, would report to the Steering Committee and coordinate with the two IPCs.



National Ocean Policy

Established Nine National Priority Objectives

How we do business

1. **Ecosystem Based Management**: Adopt ecosystem-based management as a foundational principle for the comprehensive management of the ocean, our coasts, and the Great Lakes
2. **Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning**: Implement comprehensive, integrated, ecosystem based coastal and marine spatial planning and management in the United States
3. **Inform Decisions and Improve Understanding**: Increase knowledge to continually inform and improve management and policy decisions and the capacity to respond to change and challenges. Better educate the public through formal and informal programs
4. **Coordinate and Support**: Better coordinate and support Federal, State, tribal, local, and regional management of the ocean, our coasts, and the Great Lakes

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Areas of Special Emphasis

5. **Resiliency and Adaptation to Climate Change and Ocean Acidification:** Strengthen resiliency of coastal communities and marine and Great Lakes environments and their abilities to adapt to climate change impacts and ocean acidification
6. **Regional Ecosystem Protection and Restoration:** Establish and implement *an integrated ecosystem protection and restoration strategy* that is science-based and *aligns conservation and restoration goals* at the Federal, State, tribal, local, and regional levels
7. **Water Quality and Sustainable Practices on Land:** Enhance water quality in the ocean, along our coasts, and in the Great Lakes by promoting and implementing sustainable practices on land
8. **Changing Conditions in the Arctic:** Address environmental stewardship needs in the Arctic Ocean and adjacent coastal areas in the face of climate-induced and other environmental changes
9. **Ocean, Coastal, and Great Lakes Observations, Mapping, and Infrastructure:** Strengthen and integrate Federal and non-Federal ocean observing systems into a national system

CMSP Framework

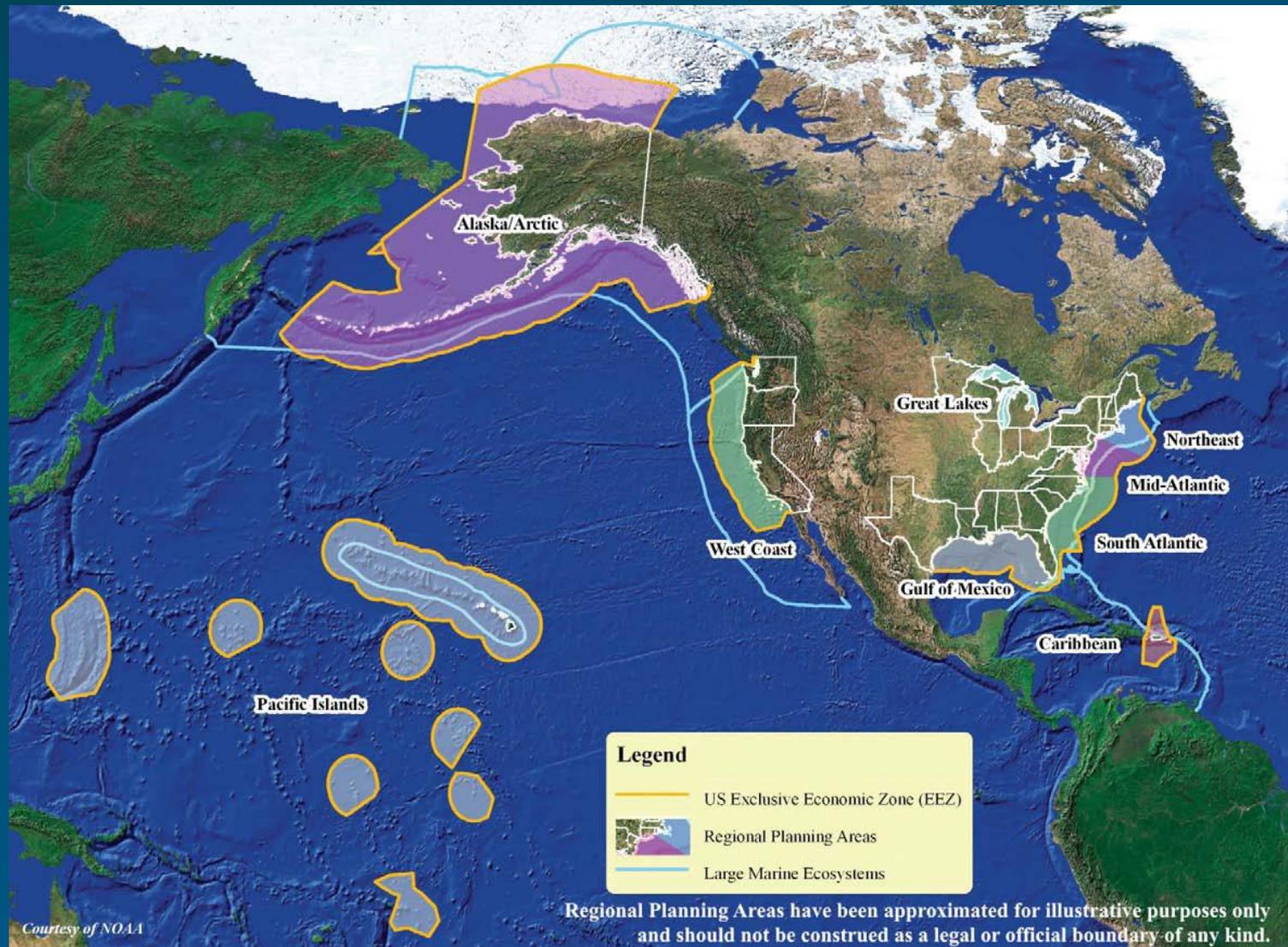
Definition of CMSP:

A comprehensive, adaptive, integrated, ecosystem-based, and transparent spatial **planning process**, based on sound science, for **analyzing current and anticipated uses** of ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes areas.

Outlines 7 national goals for CMSP that link back to the National Ocean Policy goals with a focus on:

- Promoting compatibility among uses and reducing user conflicts
- Ensure resilient ecosystems and sustainable ecosystem services
- Streamlining and improving the rigor and consistency of decision-making and regulatory processes
- Increasing certainty and predictability in planning

Regional Planning Bodies



ROP Funding Opportunity

Regional Ocean Partnerships

- Regional Ocean Partnerships are voluntary, usually multi-state, Governor-established forums that **develop shared priorities and take critical action on a broad diversity of ocean, coastal and Great Lakes needs, as relevant to their region.** They have different structures and employ varied methods and approaches to enhance the ecological and economic health of the region. Their efforts involve non-governmental stakeholders and all of the multiple state and federal agencies involved in coastal and ocean management.

Who is eligible for funding?

- All groups that may receive and expend federal funds
- Need to have support letter from established ROP and/or Governor
- No official ROP designation for Hawaii and Pacific Islands

ROP Funding Opportunity

Competitive funding for ROP's that “include or emphasize regional CMSP efforts.”

- The competition is focused on regional ocean governance and the goals of the National Ocean Policy

Two Categories of Funding

- **Implementation**: (~20M, anticipate 1-3.5M per award)
 - Intended to support a spectrum of ROP priorities including CMSP
- **Development**: (max 3M, anticipate 100-500K per award)
 - For administration and operations support for development of new ROP's

ROP Funding Opportunity

Can Hawaii apply for Implementation category?

- **Yes**, must show how advancing the regional ocean partnership and provide letters of support from Governor's office and lead state and federal agencies.

What type of Activities are eligible?

- **Implementation**: ORMP priorities that align with the National Ocean Policy
 - Follow OPTF's CMSP Framework 12 guiding principles
 - OPTF's identified Areas of Special Emphasis
- **Development**: ROP development and governance support
 - Support for any aspects of the OPTF Final Recommendations

ROP Funding Opportunity

- Applications are due:
 - December 10, 2010
- Project Start Dates:
 - From July 1 to Oct 1, 2011
- Current Funding Status
 - \$20M in the House Budget and \$0 in the Senate
 - Currently under continuing resolution

ORMP sub-regional ROP

Mission:

We will create a multi-sectoral coastal and marine spatial (CMS) plan using an ecosystem-based management approach for all of Hawaii's state and federal waters, for the purpose of balancing a range of social, economic, environmental, and cultural uses.

Hawaii ORMP Proposal

Goal 1:

Develop sub-regional (HI) specific priorities to guide information gathering and planning activities for a Hawaii CMSP effort (using existing plans/processes/stakeholder input)

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Goal 2:

Design a comprehensive communication strategy to inform partners and the public on CMSP and Hawaii's goals for this project (through agency and community meetings; outreach materials such as handouts, website, etc.)

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Goal 3:

Create a statewide data visualization system for the CMSP process with local stakeholders (based on existing data, established standards and criteria, and user needs)

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Goal 4:

Development and adoption of a process for Hawaii CMSP that includes criteria for prioritizing uses, needs, and functions (based on existing jurisdictions, sub-regional priorities, and best practices)

Hawaii ORMP Proposal

Goal 5:

Implement specific ORMP management goals/strategic actions that align with CMSP and/or other priority objectives in the National Ocean Policy

Hawaii ORMP Proposal

Goal 6:

Build upon existing opportunities to establish a US Pacific Islands ROP

Proposal Approach

Goals are developing into action steps, considering:

- Who needs to be involved/roles of partners
- How to engage user input
- Timeframe
- Milestones
- Budget
- Performance Measures
- Data management requirements

Outcomes (2 Years)

- Hawaii's priorities for CMSP
- Communication strategy
- Information and mapping visualization system
- Work plan for a Hawaii CMS Plan

For more information:

whitehouse.gov/oceans

cmssp.noaa.gov

The screenshot shows the top of the White House website with the logo and navigation menu. Below that is the National Ocean Council page, featuring a search bar, a navigation menu, and a large image of a whale tail. The text on the page reads: "The ocean, our coasts, and the Great Lakes provide jobs, food, energy resources, ecological services, recreation, and tourism opportunities, and play critical roles in our Nation's transportation, economy, and trade, as well as the global mobility of our Armed Forces and the maintenance of international peace and security." followed by a quote from President Barack Obama.

The screenshot shows the Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning website. It features a header with the NOAA logo and navigation menu. Below the header are four main sections: National Framework, NOAA's Role, Data and Tools, and Examples. The main content area is titled "Ocean Policy Task Force" and includes a "Latest News" section with a link to "Obama Administration Unveils New National Policy for Our Oceans, Coasts and Great Lakes July 19, 2010". There is also a section titled "What is coastal and marine spatial planning?" and "About This Website".