## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)

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- Mission To protect human health and the environment
- Interests FY04 Pres Bud \$ 732M EPA S &T; \$ 561M ORD; Office of Research and Development's (ORD's) National Laboratories/Centers, Research Strategies, and Multi-Year Research Plans



- Opportunity Sustainable Development as a better organizing principle for next generation of environmental protection tools
- Barrier Concept too abstract/generic to be appreciated as useful or better than *status quo*
- Action EPA is developing a sustainability research strategy to improve environmental performance; invites others to participate