

Priorities for National MPA System Development FY2006 & FY2007



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PRIORITY SETTING

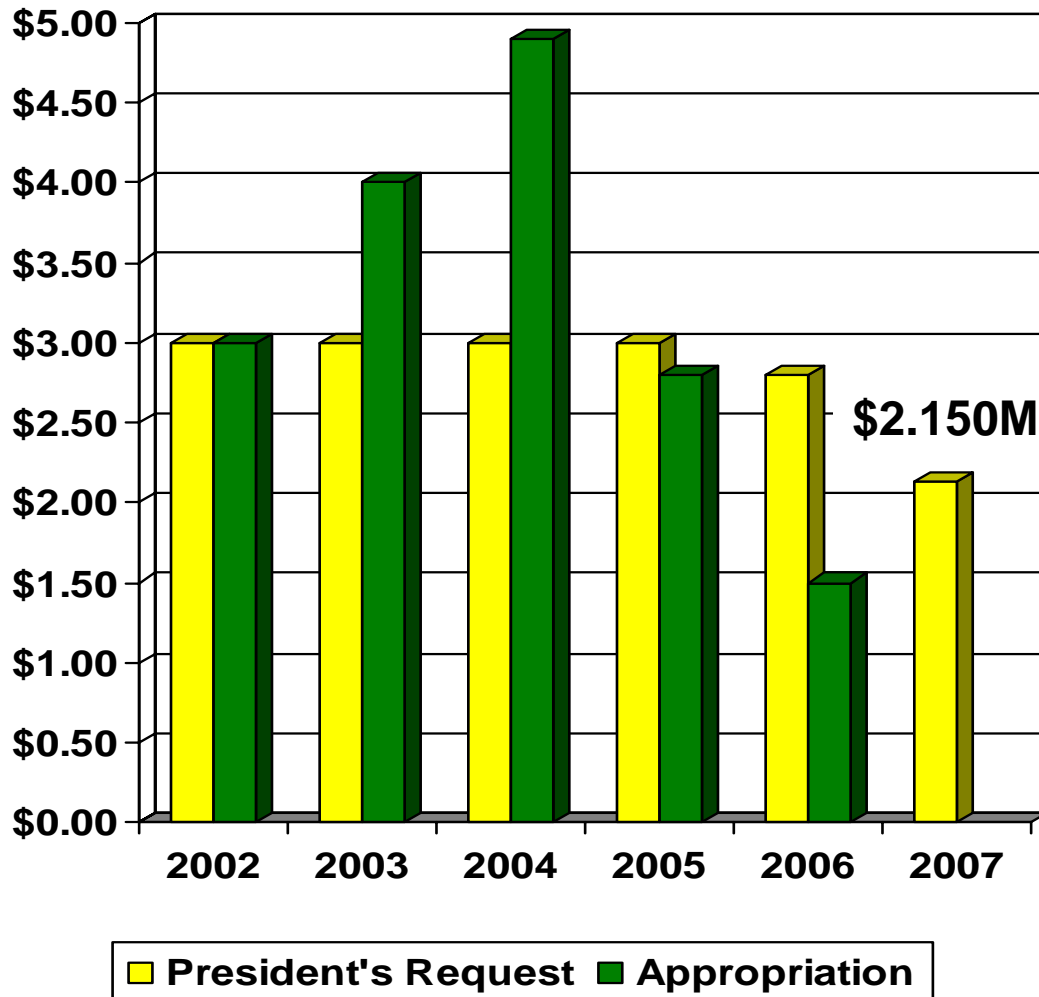
- Budget History
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- FY2006 Appropriation:
 - General Priorities
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- FY2007 President's Budget:
 - General Priorities
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Declining resources have reduced scope, focus and emphasis of the MPA Center's work

GOALS OF THE MPA CENTER (based on the Executive Order)	FY2002- FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007
1. Develop the Framework for the National System of MPAs	✓ OK	✓ OK	Highest priority work still being done; but reduced outreach & materials; reduced public meetings	Highest priority work still being done; but further reduced outreach, materials, limited meetings
2. Facilitate Regional, National & International MPA Coordination	✓ OK	✓ OK (except planned tribal liaison position unfunded)	Highest priority work still being done; but Pacific Islands & education coordinator gone; phase out some cooperative science, travel support for Federal Advisory Committee subcommittees eliminated	Greatly reduced: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No State Coordinator • No New England Coordinator • Pacific Mainland or one science position gone • Science projects nearly unfunded
3. Improve MPA Stewardship and Effectiveness	✓ OK	Virtually Suspended (phase out of Training & Technical Assistance Institute, Charleston, SC)	Suspended (including key science projects and collaborations)	Suspended (including key science projects and collaborations)

Budget History - National MPA Center



- FY2003/FY2004: Congressional “add-ons” used to forward fund & maintain contract staff capabilities in FY04-FY06
- Loss of “add on” in FY05 compensated for by FY04 extended funding of contracts
- Orderly reduction in FY06 negated by appropriation nearly 50% below President’s request

FY2006 PRIORITIES

- National System of MPAs Framework Development and Public Review Process (limited post-publication meetings)
- MPA West Coast Pilot Planning and Methodologies:
 - Ecological characterization
 - Human Use and Impacts
 - Cultural Resource characterization
 - Contribution of existing MMAs/MPAs
 - Governance framework characterization
 - Inter-governmental Coordination
- Continue at Reduced Level:
 - Targeted Science and Technical Projects
 - MPA Federal Advisory Committee
 - MPA.gov Web Site updates & content

MPA CENTER FY2006 OPERATIONS



Function	FY2006 Request \$2.8M	FY2006 Appropriation \$1.5m
Framework draft document development and public review		
National System development planning (existing sites)		
MMA Inventory completion		
West Coast Pilot		
WCP Science and analysis		
WCP Coordination		
Regional Coordination		
New England		
Other Regions (Pac. Isl., AK, Gulf/Carib., S/M Atlantic, G. Lakes)		
Federal Advisory Committee		
MPA.GOV Web Site		
Communication / Outreach (including workshops)		
Targeted Science: Benthic-Pelagic Compatibility/Angling		
-- Fisheries-MPA integration		
-- Monitoring		
-- Connectivity (Caribbean)		
Targeted Technical Projects: Navigating MPAs		
Targeted Education		
International efforts (CEC/NAMPAN, Tri-National Committee, IMPAC)		
West coast office		

FY2007 PRIORITIES

President's Request (\$2.15M)



- National System of MPAs Framework - response to comments and completion
- Establish National System of MPAs of Existing Sites
- Reduced MPA West Coast Pilot Work:
 - Ecological characterization
 - Human Use and Impacts
 - Cultural Resource characterization
 - Contribution of existing MMAs/MPAs
 - Inter-Governmental Coordination
- Phase Down of Targeted Science and Technical Projects
- Reduced MPA Federal Advisory Committee support
- MPA.gov Web Site

MPA CENTER FY2007 OPERATIONS

Function	FY2007 Request \$2.15M	If Level with FY06 \$1.5m
Framework draft document development and public review		
National System Establish (existing sites)		?
MMA Inventory (no updates)		
West Coast Pilot		
WCP Science and analysis	?	?
WCP Coordination	?	?
Regional Coordination		
New England		
Other Regions (Pac. Isl., AK, Gulf/Carib., S/M Atlantic, G. Lakes)		
Federal Advisory Committee		
MPA.GOV Web Site		
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West coast office	?	

Questions?

