



Ocean Policy and Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning Update

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Building Blocks

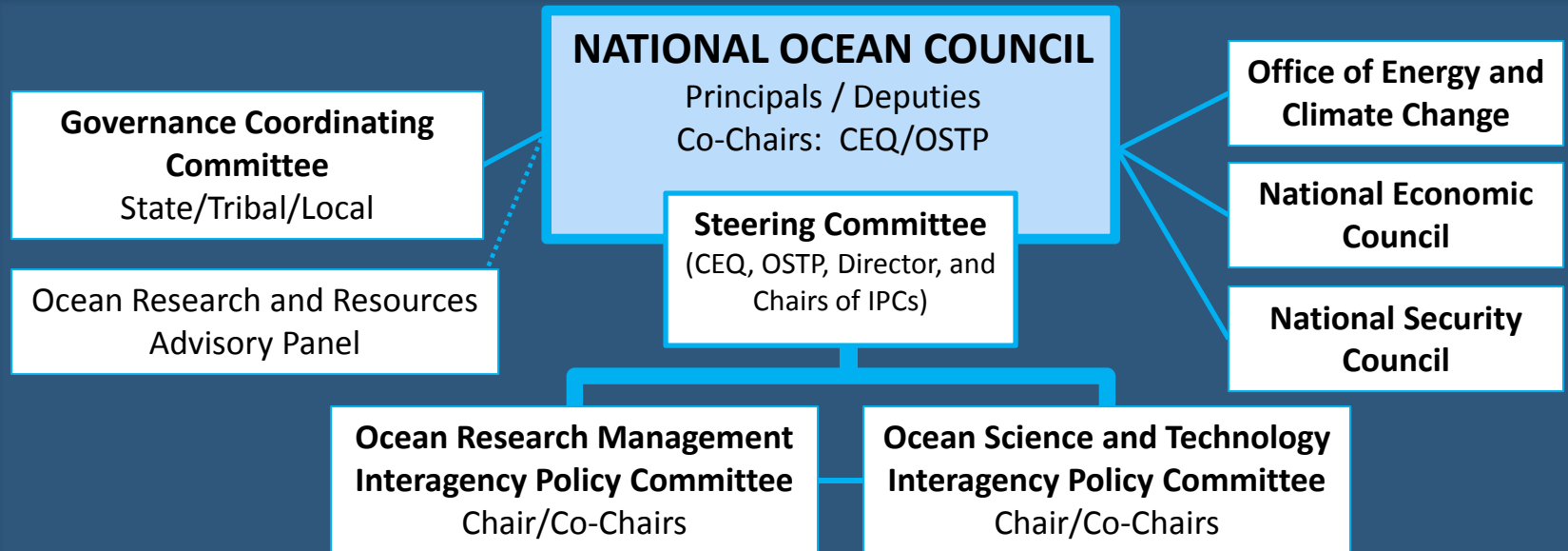


THE WHITE HOUSE COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

*Final Recommendations
Of The
Interagency Ocean Policy
Task Force
July 19, 2010*

National Ocean Policy
National Ocean Council
9 National Priority
Objectives
Framework for Coastal
and Marine Spatial
Planning (CMSP)

National Ocean Council



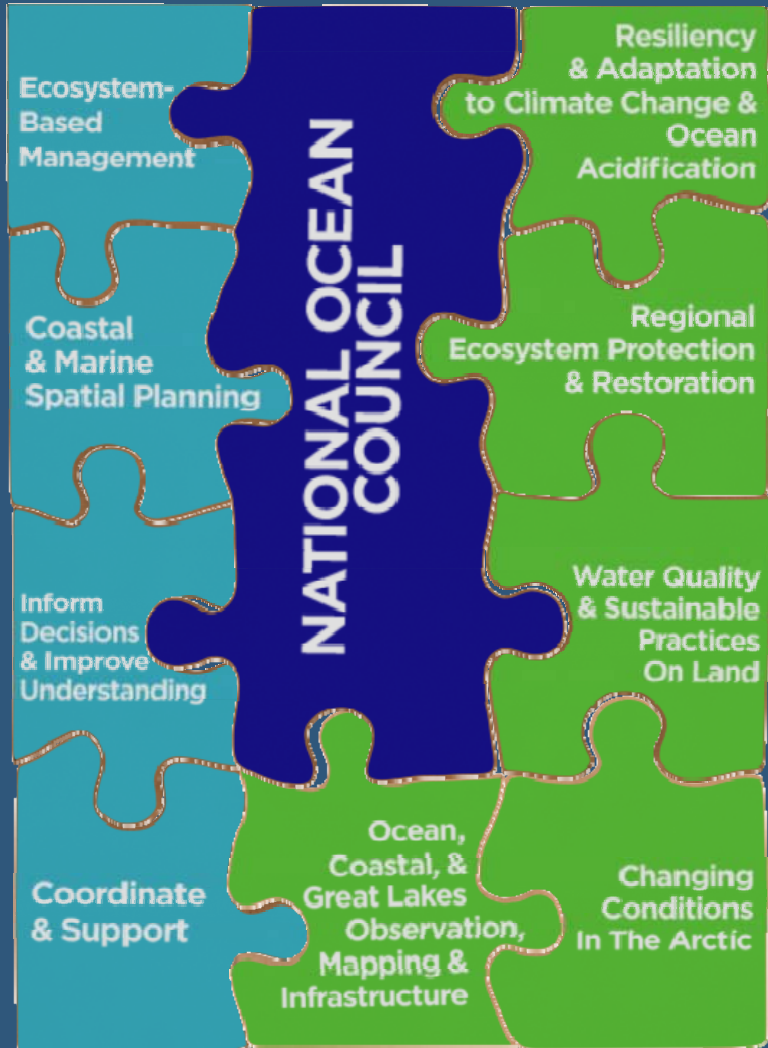
Working groups could be retained or established as standing or ad hoc Sub-Interagency Policy Committees (IPCs): e.g., Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning, Ocean Acidification, Ocean Observations, Mapping, Ocean Education, Climate Resiliency and Adaptation, Regional Ecosystem Protection and Restoration,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

————— Reporting
————— Coordination
..... Communication

National Ocean Policy

Nine National Priority Objectives





Public & Stakeholder Engagement

- Initial Federal Register notice for public comments on Strategic Action Plans (closed April 29th)
- Strategic Action Plan Full Content Outlines Released & 12 Regional Listening Sessions Held (June & July)
- Strategic Action Plan to include tools for effective engagement
- Full Drafts of Strategic Action Plans will likely be out for comment this winter

CMSP: A Regional Planning Process

Regional Planning Bodies

State, Tribal, and Federal representatives with authorities relevant to CMSP

CMSP Process

Plan

Coordination/Engagement

- Local Authorities
- Indigenous Community Reps

Consultation

- Fishery Management Councils

Engagement

- Stakeholders
- Scientists & Technical Experts
- Public

Current National Level CMSP Activities

- National Workshop and Simulation Exercise was held June 2011
- Formation of Regional Planning Bodies (RPBs)
- Strategic Action Plan Development
- National Information Management System & Prototype Data Portal



National Workshop: Discussion Topics

- In advancing CMSP, the importance of:
 - science and evidence-based data
 - traditional knowledge and experience
- Representing existing local & regional entities
- Designing incentives to spur implementation of CMSP
- How to strike the right balance between:
 - the need for regional flexibility and
 - the value of national consistency