

COAST GUARD RECAPITALIZATION



Acquisition
Directorate



LATEST DEVELOPMENTS

Surface

- Selected the design for the offshore patrol cutter
- Accepted sixth national security cutter (NSC); placed ninth NSC under contract; five NSCs are in service
- Commissioned fast response cutters (FRCs) 17-19; accepted FRCs 20-21; awarded phase 2 contract for the procurement of up to 26 cutters (FRCs 33-58)
- Released a request for quotes and request for information for heavy polar icebreaker industry studies
- Accepted the 200th response boat-small II

Aviation

- Continued regeneration of C-27Js acquired from the U.S. Air Force; 10 delivered; first air station achieved initial operational capability
- Continued process to standardize Minotaur mission system across all fixed-wing aircraft, including flight testing of the HC-130J Super Hercules Minotaur prototype
- Completed final upgrades to the MH-60T Jayhawk helicopters; responsibility for the fleet transferred to sustainment community
- Awarded order for sUAS capability on one NSC for one year to prototype integration and concept of operations, with deployment on Coast Guard Cutter Stratton this winter

C4ISR

- Installed new C4ISR baseline on NSC Waesche; began implementing on the rest of NSC class
- Deployed Nationwide Automatic Identification System transceivers to 58 major ports and 11 coastal areas
- Started installation of Rescue 21 communication systems for Alaska and the Western Rivers

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Coast Guard is investing more than \$1 billion annually in major and non-major acquisition projects to recapitalize its ships, boats, aircraft, and command and control systems. Recapitalizing legacy assets and systems is one of the Coast Guard's top priorities.

The Coast Guard's ability to secure our nation's maritime domain; save lives; interdict drug and migrant smugglers; and protect ports, waterways and natural resources depends on providing its people with modern and reliable tools for mission execution. This includes cutters and boats; aircraft; command, control, communications, computers, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (C4ISR) systems; and supporting shore infrastructure. The service's readiness has been challenged by reliance on outdated, rapidly aging assets, and the cost to sustain these assets continues to rise while reliability declines.

The Acquisition Directorate's mission is to acquire and deliver more capable, interoperable assets and systems as well as high-quality, timely services that support Coast Guard forces in

executing missions effectively and efficiently. The directorate is the systems integrator for all acquisition programs and is committed to delivering state-of-the-market platforms and systems that are affordable and meet mission requirements.

The Coast Guard's cutters, aircraft, and command and control systems are on the front lines of a multilayered, multimission strategy. These new and upgraded assets feature interoperability with the departments of Homeland Security and Defense; improve law enforcement response and coordination with federal, state and local authorities; and are better equipped to guard critical maritime infrastructure and resources. These next-generation assets and systems will shape and define the Coast Guard's next 50 years of capability.

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