NOAA's Engagement with U.S. CLIVAR

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SCIENCE &

TECHNOLOGY ENTERPRISE

NOAA Strategic Plan

improved scientific understanding assessments of impacts to inform decisions climate services to support mitigation, adaptation

a climate literate public

CLIMATE ADAPTATION & MITIGATION



modern information technology

diverse, evolving workforce

ORGANIZATION & ADMINISTRATION ENTERPRISE



Climate Goal Strategy NOAA Strategic Plan

Climate Goal: An informed society anticipating and responding to climate and its impacts

Climate Goal Strategic Plan Objectives:

- 1. <u>Improved scientific understanding</u> of the changing climate system and its impacts
- 2. <u>Assessments</u> of current and future states of the climate system that identify potential impacts and inform science, service, and stewardship decisions
- 3. Mitigation and adaptation efforts supported by sustained, reliable, and timely <u>climate services</u>
- 4. <u>A climate-literate public that</u> understands its vulnerabilities to a changing climate and makes informed decisions



NOAA Line Offices







NOAA Climate Program Office (www.cpo.noaa.gov/cpo_pa/)

Richard D. Rosen, Acting Director (Note: Wayne Higgins will become Director on July 28, 2013)

- Climate Observations and Monitoring (COM) designs, deploys, and maintains an integrated global network of oceanic and atmospheric observing instruments to produce continuous records and analyses of a range of ocean and atmosphere parameters. Lead: David Legler
- **Earth System Science (ESS)** provides process-level understanding of the climate system through observation, modeling, analysis, and field studies to support the development of improved climate models and predictions in support of NOAA's mission. Lead: Jim Todd
- Modeling, Analysis, Predictions, and Projections (MAPP) aims to enhance the capability to predict and project variability and change in Earth's climate system; focusing on the coupling, integration, and application of Earth system models and analyses. Acting Lead: Annarita Mariotti
- **Climate and Societal Interaction (CSI)** provides leadership in developing interdisciplinary science and services, including assessments, for application in climate-sensitive sectors and regions. Lead: Roger Pulwarty



Recent U.S. CLIVAR Activities Supported by NOAA

- Process Studies
 - ➢ Past: EPIC, NAME, VOCALS
 - Current: DYNAMO, AMOC, CPTs
- Modeling
 - ➤ CMEP 1 & 2, CMIP5
 - > IASCLIP (Intra-Americas Study of Climate Processes)
- Sustained Ocean Observations
 - > Argo, Tropical moored array (e.g., TAO), and many others



Long-range Climate Research Interests Related to U.S. CLIVAR

- Sustaining, evolving, and enhancing the ocean climate observing system (including the Arctic)
- Predictability, prediction, and projection: improve understanding of climate processes and their predictability, and their representation in models and prediction systems
- Climate re-analyses
- Observing system experiments and observing system simulation experiments
- Information to support decision-making on a regional scale



Climate Program Office Budget

Climate Program Office Appropriated Funding FY 2011- FY 2013 (\$000)





FY14 President's Budget: Increases for NOAA Climate (partial list)

Global Ocean Observing System (GOOS) +\$4.0M

- Support critical ocean observations and analysis
- Support research on near-term changes in the rapidly changing Arctic
- Technology development and deployment of Deep Argo Floats to provide information on sea level rise and global energy balance

National Integrated Drought Information System (NIDIS) +\$1.5M

- Support additional competitive research grants and contracts to develop and expand the Regional Drought Early
 Warning Information Systems (RDEWS) by providing focused drought impacts research and applications development to
 the Pacific Northwest, the Mid-West agricultural belt, and the Carolinas
- Develop ongoing drought information outlook products, such as information sheets on drought conditions that improve on the national drought monitor by emphasizing local conditions and impacts assessments, improving federal, state, and tribal planning

U.S. Global Change Research Program (USGCRP) - Improved Understanding of Earth Systems and Extremes, Thresholds, and Tipping Points +\$9.0M

- Implement research and other activities in support of the USGCRP to expand NOAA's capabilities for improved understanding of carbon, extremes, and marine ecosystem tipping points.
 - Enhance the Carbon Observation and Analysis System (CAOS) within the North American Carbon Program
 - Improve the detection, understanding, explanation, and prediction of weather and climate extreme events to support adaptation and prepare society to anticipate and respond
 - Develop and apply Earth System Models (ESMs) and other tools for understanding where, when, and how marine ecosystems may reach critical "tipping points" that could significantly affect the thousands of communities whose economies depend on the seafood industry, coastal tourism and recreation, and other ocean-dependent industries



FY14 President's Budget: Increases for NOAA Climate (partial list, cont'd.)

Improve Models and Predictions +\$6.5M

- NOAA and academic partners will provide a process-level understanding of the climate system through observation, modeling, analysis, and field studies to support the development of improved climate models.
- Advance the understanding of the global carbon cycle and the role of aerosols and chemically-active greenhouse gases in the global climate system

Earth System Modeling +\$7.0M

 NOAA and academic partners will continue model development to reduce uncertainties in sea level rise projections, terrestrial carbon cycle and future biogeochemical feedbacks on climate; address gaps in the understanding of the Arctic climate system; and augment Decadal Climate Predictions and Abrupt Change.

Climate Model Data Archive +\$1.6M

- Further develop and implement archive and access capability for the next generation climate analyses currently running on supercomputers across NOAA and its collaborators (National Science Foundation, Department of Energy, and others)
- Convey key aspects of complex scientific data in a manner accessible to non-specialists and NOAA's climate information user communities



U.S. CLIVAR: Providing Value to NOAA

- Organizes/coordinates the research community to establish requirements for scientific advancement and to identify gaps
- Helps coordinate interagency response to community research initiatives
- Helps organize the community after resources are allocated to deliver research results
- Helps link U.S. research to international research initiatives



NOAA CPO FY14 Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO)

- FFO likely to be released next month
- There will be competitions under each of the CPO programs
- Please watch <u>http://www.cpo.noaa.gov/</u> for additional information on the FFO