U.S. Coast Guard Fact Sheet

Fiscal Year 2013 President's Budget

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BACKGROUND: The FY 2013 President's Budget requests \$9.97 billion for the Coast Guard, including \$8.32 billion in discretionary funding. This Budget strikes the optimal balance between sustaining current operations and investing in future capabilities.

KEY POINTS:

- ➤ Provides \$1.2 billion to *Responsibly Rebuild the Coast Guard*. Investment in recapitalization is a top budget priority in FY 2013.
- Funds current services requirements to *Efficiently Preserve Front-line Operations*, including resources to operate and maintain new assets, and funding for personnel pay and benefit increases.
- ➤ Will Strengthen Resource and Operational Stewardship through administrative and programmatic reductions to improve efficiency and service delivery, while continuing investment in Coast Guard activities that provide the highest return on investment.
- Recognizes the criticality of the Arctic as a strategic National priority, and *Prepares for the Future* by addressing emerging threats and risks in this region.
- > The Coast Guard will continue to provide superior value and service to the American public.

RESPONSIBLY REBUILD THE COAST GUARD: The budget requests \$1.2 billion for Acquisition, Construction and Improvements (AC&I). Highlights include:

- **\$879.5M** for vessels including National Security Cutter (NSC) #6; Fast Response Cutters (FRC); Offshore Patrol Cutter (OPC) design; Medium Endurance Cutter sustainment; and Polar Icebreaking Vessel pre-acquisition activity.
- > \$74.5M for one HC-144A Maritime Patrol Aircraft (MPA) and H-65 helicopter enhancements/upgrades.
- ▶ \$69.4M for Major Acquisition Systems Infrastructure and other Shore Infrastructure projects.
- **\$76.5M** for other projects, including C4ISR systems; Nationwide Automatic Identification System; and CG-Logistics Information Management System.

EFFICIENTLY PRESERVE FRONT-LINE OPERATIONS: The budget requests \$6.79 billion to operate and maintain Coast Guard assets and sustain essential front-line operations.

- **\$88.9M** to fund increases for civilian pay, and maintain parity of military pay, allowances, and health care with DoD.
- ▶ \$54.2M to annualize critical investments and programs initiated in FY 2012.
- **\$47.6M** to operate new assets and infrastructure (e.g., FRC, MPA, RB-M, Rescue21, etc.), training systems, and transition Air Station Cape Cod, MA to operate new HC-144A aircraft.
- **\$24.5M** to support the Coast Guard's relocation to the DHS consolidated headquarters at the St. Elizabeths Campus in Washington, DC.

STRENGTHEN RESOURCE AND OPERATIONAL STEWARDSHIP: The FY 2013 budget proposes administrative and programmatic reductions to improve efficiency and service delivery, while continuing investment in Coast Guard activities that provide the highest return on investment. Highlights include:

- ➤ Decommission two High Endurance Cutters and three 110-ft patrol boats. These assets are being replaced by new, more capable NSCs and FRCs, respectively.
- Terminate High-Tempo-High-Maintenance (HTHM) patrol boat operations that facilitate augmented operation of eight in-service 110-foot patrol boats.
- ➤ Retire three HU-25 aircraft that are being replaced by new MPA aircraft, and close two Seasonal Air Facilities.
- > Implement \$32.4M in enterprise-wide efficiencies and \$56.3M in targeted programmatic reductions.

PREPARE FOR THE FUTURE: The FY 2013 Budget request recognizes the criticality of the Arctic as a strategic National priority, given increasing presence and interest by other Nations, the preponderance of natural resources available in this region, and increasing maritime commercial and recreational activity.

➤ \$14.1M to initiate a new Polar Icebreaker acquisition project and enhance infrastructure in Alaska.