

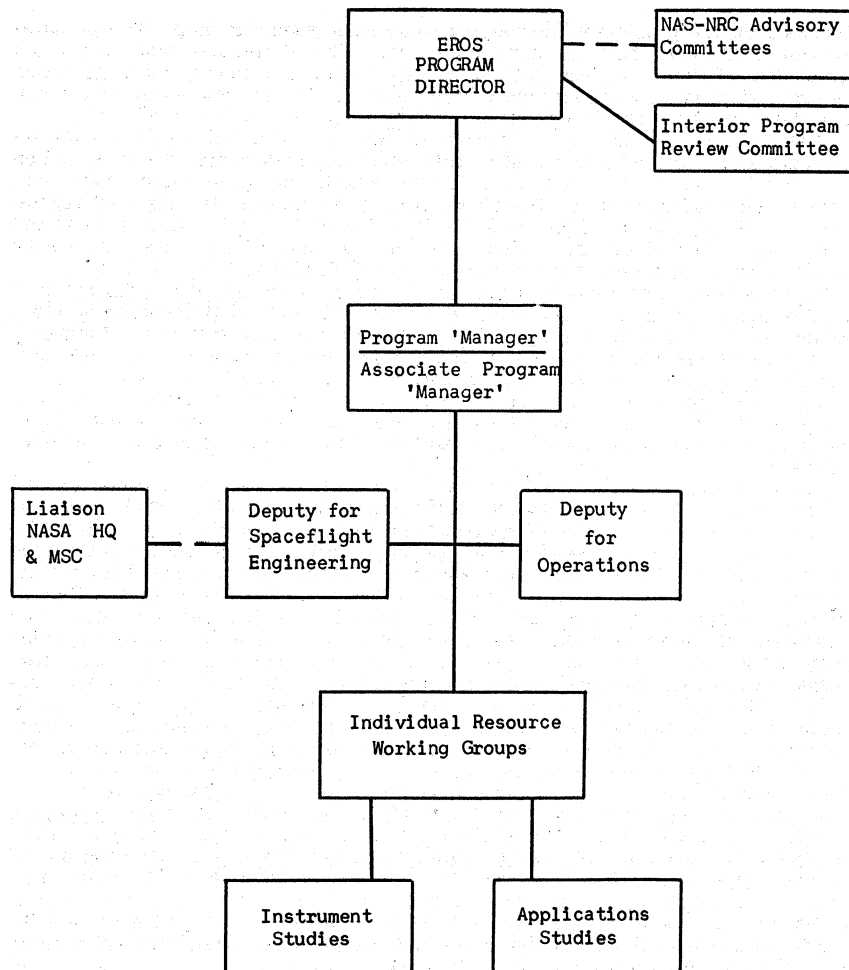


FIGURE 25.—EROS Program Organization.

Various Bureaus of the Department have appointed liaison personnel who meet regularly with the EROS Program staff to review progress and to develop data requirements. As shown in figure 3, an Advisory Committee has been organized in the National Academy of Sciences; this committee meets approximately four times a year to review overall progress toward objectives and to recommend additional studies to provide proper program balance.

A contract has been awarded to the Westinghouse Corp. to conduct an applications and cost-benefit analysis for the Department. We expect that the analysis will be complete by early fall. This effort, complementary to cost-benefit studies being undertaken by the Department of Agriculture and NASA is funded by Interior Bureaus from their own resources.

*What are we doing now?*

At the present time, we are completing work on a rationale for an initial, general purpose, earth resources observation satellite. This satellite is specifically