

17. Do you administer any grants, loans, or other disbursed funds related to this program? If so, is the size of your administrative staff commensurate with the magnitude of the outlays?

No.

18. If your appropriations were reduced, how would you absorb the cut—by an overall reduction, or by cutting or curtailing certain activities?

By curtailing certain activities.

19. If additional funds were available, what would you do with the new money?

Additional funds over and above those currently appropriated would be applied to the highest priority areas currently agreed upon with the Department. More particularly the highest priority would generally be reflected in the restoration of such reductions from the President's 1969 budget as the House Appropriations Committee may effect, or that may be made in the event a general retrenchment were ordered from the 1969 programs now before the Congress.

Activity 2 (U.S. Coast Guard): Acquisition, Construction, and Improvements

1. What is the nature of and authority for this program?

This program is for necessary expenses of acquisition, construction, rebuilding, and improvement of aids to navigation, shore facilities, vessels, and aircraft, including related equipment, and services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109. Funds remain available until expended. Authority for this program is found in title 14.

2. Who is the person primarily in charge of this program at the operative level (name and title)?

At Coast Guard Headquarters level, this program is subdivided into mission-oriented programs. The program directors for these programs are as follows:

Rear Adm. R. W. Goehring, Chief, Office of Operations

Rear Adm. D. B. Henderson, Chief, Office of Engineering

Rear Adm. W. B. Ellis, Chief, Office of Personnel

Rear Adm. J. D. McCubbin, Chief, Office of Reserve

3. How much money and capital equipment is available under this program for fiscal 1968?

New obligation authority for fiscal year 1968 is \$107,014,000 under this program. See answers to question 1 in activity 1 for capital equipment available.

4. Would you describe the output generated by this program?

5. Can you quantify this output in any way?

6. Would you describe the principal operations that are involved in producing this output?

ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, AND IMPROVEMENTS, COAST GUARD

PROGRAM AND PERFORMANCE

This appropriation provides for the acquisition, construction, rebuilding, and improvement of vessels, aircraft, shore facilities, and aids to navigation.

Direct program—1. Vessels.—A program to replace overage, obsolete, and deteriorated vessels of the Coast Guard will be continued in 1968 with the construction of replacements for one high-endurance cutter and two small cutters to replace patrol vessels. Fixed or floating aids will be constructed to replace lightships at priority locations. Three augmentation vessels planned for construction are two tenders, with associated facilities, for servicing aids to navigation on the Arkansas and lower Mississippi Rivers and an oceanographic cutter. The program also provides for contract design services for a replacement icebreaker. Modernization and improvement of existing facilities includes improvements on icebreakers, rehabilitation of six high-endurance cutters, installation of balloon tracking radar on four high-endurance cutters, installation of 20 Loran-C receivers and four Navy navigation satellite systems on large cutters and icebreakers for the oceanography program.

2. Aviation facilities.—Under this activity the program provides for the acquisition of 10 replacement aircraft and nine helicopters—six for icebreaker operations and three for SAR support. Plans for reconfiguration of medium-range search aircraft will also be developed. In addition the program also calls for the establishment of an air station at Chicago, Ill., and replacement of hangar facilities at the air station in Barbers Point, Hawaii.