

2023 MACAN Workshop

Interagency Working Group on Ocean Acidification: Federal OA Policy and Coordination

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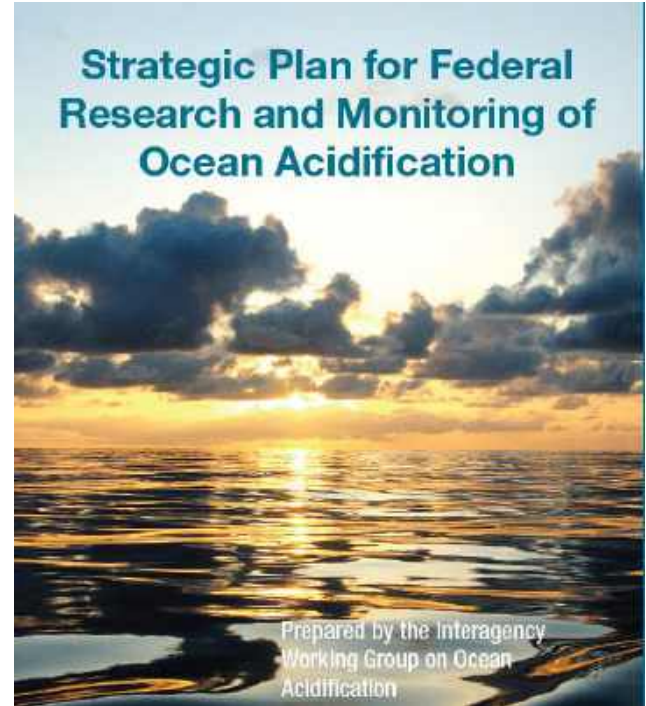
Interagency Working Group on Ocean Acidification

- Established by the Federal Ocean Acidification Research and Monitoring Act of 2009 (FOARAM)
- Includes representatives from 14 U.S. federal agencies



Strategic Research Plan

- Research
- Monitoring
- Modeling
- Technology Development
- Socioeconomic impacts
- Education and Outreach
- Data Management and Synthesis



Biennial Reports

- Reports cover federally-funded OA activities over two year time periods
- Activities are organized by region and themes from the strategic plan
- Agencies also report spending amounts by theme



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Vulnerability Assessment



Monitoring Prioritization Plan



- Expand use of gliders to improve spatial coverage
- Augment existing water quality stations with carbonate chemistry
- Add zooplankton sampling and fish acoustics to OA surveys
- Improvements to nearshore sensors
- Additional laboratory capacity

U.S. OA Action Plan

- Mitigation
 - Research and Monitoring
 - Resilience and Adaptation
 - Expand OA Alliance membership
- OA Action Plans



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