

Unidata Policy Committee

October 9-10, 2003



Overview

- Budget Status
- NAS Study
- ULAFOS a juggling act
 - Why it hard to get our attention at times



Happy New Year!

FY 2003 Final Numbers FY 2004 Budget Status



NSF funding FY 2003

- 40,000 proposals submitted
 - 35,165 FY 2002
- 22,782 awards made
 - up 1,413 from FY 2002
- Average award size \$136,000
 - meets NSF goal
- Average award duration 2.95yr
 - NSF goal is 3 years.
- Competition in funding rates
 - overall NSF average funding rate 28% (declined from 32%)
 - competitive research grant funding rate is now 25%



STATUS FY Budget for FY 2004

NSF ACCT	<i>C.P.</i> FY03	REQ FY04	HSE FY04	HSE % CHG	SEN FY04	SEN %. CHG
R&RA	\$4,056	\$4,106	\$4,306	6.2%	\$4,221	4.0%
EHR	\$903	\$938	\$911	0.8%	\$976	8.0 %
MRE	\$149	\$202	\$192	30.0%	\$150	-4.9%
S&E	\$189	\$226	\$216	14.2%	\$226	19.3%
OIG	\$9	\$9	\$10	8.8%	\$10	8.8%
NSB	\$3.5	\$0	\$3.8	9.3%	\$3.9	12.2%
TOTAL	\$5,310	\$5,481	\$5,639	6.2%	\$5,586	5.2%

Division of Atmospheric Sciences



NSF Budget Request by Directorate/Major Activity

	FY 03 Plan	FY 04 Req.	House Mark	Senate Mark	
Biological Sciences	570.7	562.2	586.8	577.2	
CISE	581.9	548.3	609.9	609.4	
Engineering	540.5	536.6	560.1	550.0	
Geosciences	692.2	687.9	718.1	692.2	
Math & Physical Sciences	1041.0	1061.3	1107.8	1085.9	
Social, Behavioral & Economic Sciences	167.52	181.7	191.0	176.7	
OISE	26.8	30.0	30.0	30.0	
Office of U.S. Polar Research	319.1	329.9	355.0	341.7	
Integrative Activities	116.7	132.5	147.8	157.9	
Total, Research &	4,056.5	4,106.4	4,306.4	4,220.6	
Related Activities	Division of Atmospheric Sciences				



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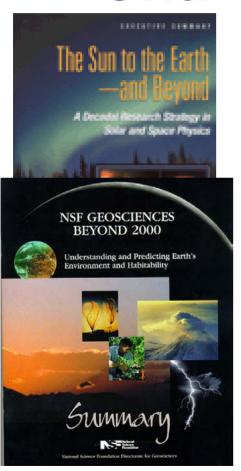
Project	FY 2004	House	Senate
	Req.	Mark	Mark
ALMA	\$50.8M	\$50.8 M	\$51.0 M
Earth Scope	\$45.0 M	\$43.5 M	\$43.73 M
IceCube	\$60.0	\$42.0 M	\$35.5 M
NEES	\$8.0M	\$8 M	\$8.1 M
NEON	\$12.0 M	\$12.0 M	
SPS Expan.	\$0.96 M	\$0.96 M	\$1.30 M
Terascale Comp		\$10.0 M	\$10.1 M
SOD – (Vessel)		\$25.0 M	



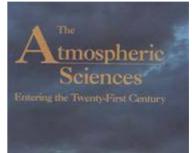
Future Directions of NSF's Support of the **Atmospheric Sciences Research Community National Academy Sciences** Study

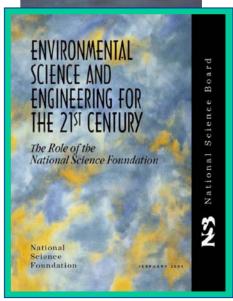


Future Opportunities and Challenges for ATM











How ATM can best accomplish its mission of stewardship of the atmospheric sciences into the future?

Possible questions to be explored

- 1) What are the most effective mechanisms and approaches for the NSF Division of Atmospheric Sciences to use to:
 - a) Ensure US Atm. Sci. remains at the cutting edge of research & fully serves the needs of the nation.
 - b) Address challenging scientific problems that require long term focus & spatial integration of scales
 - c) Foster interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary research
 - d) Build, operate and maintain broadly accessible, shared observational facilities, computational infrastructure and databases
 - e) Ensure quality data stewardship and curation
 - f) Facilitate the definition, construction and use of community models
 - g) Integrate research and education efforts
 - h) Give increased attention to educating and developing diverse human capital for the nation's atmospheric science needs
 - i) Ensure that our best scientific understanding is focused on recognized and emerging problems of interest to society



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- 2) What is the most effective balance among the types of research and activities for atmospheric science to achieve its goals in science, education and service to society?
- 3) What is an effective balance between centralized and distributed community infrastructure support?
- 4) How can NSF ensure and encourage the broadest participation and involvement of atmospheric researchers at a variety of institutions, so there is balance among stakeholders in large and small universities and colleges and so that both research and education needs are met?

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ULAFOS OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITIES & FUNDING RESPONSIBILITIEIS

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