



COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Congresswoman Nita Lowey (D-NY), Ranking Member

2015 Omnibus Appropriations Act

Division D: Energy and Water Development

2014 Total enacted level: \$34.1 billion
2015 Committee mark: \$34.0 billion
2015 Omnibus: \$34.2 billion

Highlights and key points:

- \$1.937 billion for Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy, which is \$25 million more than the 2014 enacted level.
- \$5.071 billion for the Department of Energy Office of Science, which is the same as the 2014 enacted level.
- \$280 million for the Advanced Research Projects Agency – Energy (ARPA-E), which is the same as the 2014 enacted level.
- \$5.9 billion for environmental cleanup activities, which is \$51 million more than the 2014 enacted level.
- \$8.2 billion for National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) Weapons Activities, which is \$387 million more than the 2014 enacted level and \$83 million less than the President’s budget request.
- \$1.6 billion for Nuclear Nonproliferation, which is \$313 million less than the 2014 enacted level and \$86 million more than the President’s budget request.
- \$1.239 billion for Naval Reactors, which is \$144 million more than the 2014 enacted level and \$139 million less than the President’s budget request.
- \$5.455 billion for the Army Corps of Engineers, which is \$13 million less than the 2014 enacted level, and \$922 million more than the President’s budget request.
- \$1.14 billion for water resources projects within the Department of Interior, which is \$27 million more than the 2014 enacted level.

Policy Issues:

- The agreement does not include a House policy rider prohibiting the Army Corps of Engineers from clarifying which waters are protected by the Clean Water Act.
- The agreement does not include a House policy rider prohibiting restrictions against firearms on land owned by the Army Corps of Engineers.
- The agreement does not include prohibitions on funding for loan guarantees for the Cape Wind offshore wind project, National Ocean Policy, Social Cost of Carbon and ceiling fan standards.
- The agreement continues a House policy rider prohibiting the Army Corps of Engineers from changing regulations pertaining to the definitions of the terms “fill material” or “discharge of fill material” under the Clean Water Act for this fiscal year.
- The agreement includes a House policy rider prohibiting funds to issue permits for certain agricultural activities under the Clean Water Act for this fiscal year.
- The agreement includes a policy rider requiring the withdrawal of the EPA and Corps of Engineers interpretive rule regarding regulation of agricultural activities.