



# COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Congresswoman Nita Lowey (D-NY), Ranking Member

## 2015 Omnibus Appropriations Act

### *Division F: Interior and Environment*

2014 enacted level:	\$30.058 billion
2015 budget request:	\$30.620 billion
2015 Omnibus:	\$30.044 billion

#### Highlights and key points:

- \$3.554 billion for wildland fire, which fully funds the 10-year average for fire costs.
- \$4.642 billion for the Indian Health Service, which is \$207 million more than the 2014 enacted level.
- \$2.601 billion for the Bureau of Indian Affairs, which is \$70 million more than the 2014 enacted level.
- \$8.140 billion for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), which is \$60 million less than the 2014 enacted level.
- \$2.615 billion for the National Park Service, which is \$55 million more than the 2014 enacted level.
- \$1.086 billion for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), which is \$13 million more than the FY 2014 enacted level.
- \$1.440 billion for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, which is \$13 million more than the 2014 enacted level.
- \$2.402 billion for the U.S. Forest Service (non-fire), which is equal to the 2014 enacted level.
- \$146 million each for the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities, which is equal to their 2014 enacted levels.

#### Policy Issues

- The agreement does not include a House policy rider prohibiting EPA's Clean Power Plan Proposed Rule.
- The agreement does not include a House policy rider prohibiting EPA's rule clarifying which waters are protected by the Clean Water Act.
- The agreement does not include a House policy rider prohibiting EPA from changing the way discharge of fill material is regulated
- The agreement includes a House policy rider prohibiting regulation of lead in ammunition.
- The agreement includes a House policy rider prohibiting the issuance of final and proposed rules related to Sage Grouse.
- The agreement does not include a House policy rider prohibiting EPA from ensuring mining companies are financially capable of cleaning up pollution rather than taxpayers, but includes report language on the matter.
- The agreement does not include a House policy rider prohibiting EPA from enforcing a rule on safe removal and renovation of lead paint, but includes report language on the matter.
- The agreement does not include a House policy rider prohibiting funding for the development or revisions of regulations regarding imported ivory.