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**Budget** - FY22 House and Senate marks point to increases in relevant programs

NOAA
- Increases to CZM, NCRF, reserves, data sharing initiative
- Increases for offshore wind, Right Whales and 17 earmarked projects in NE

EPA
- Emphasis on climate change, environmental justice
- Increases for geographic programs (LISP and SNEP), NEPs, water infrastructure
Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill ($1T) – across five years

- **Significant resources for NOAA and partners**
  - Coastal Zone Management Grants – $207 million
  - Research Reserve System – $77 million for restoration and acquisition
  - National Coastal Resilience Fund – $492 million
  - Regional Ocean Partnerships and data sharing – $56 million

- **Lines with connections to Office for Coastal Management**
  - NOAA Mapping, Observations, and Modeling – $492 million
  - Tribal Climate Resilience – $216 million
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Topical Legislation of Interest

- Pingree Working Waterfronts bill
- Regional Ocean Partnership Authorization bill
- Ocean-based Climate Solutions bill
- Living Shorelines Act

Administration Priorities

- America the Beautiful FRN out Friday for comment
- *Themes*: Ocean co-use (including new blue economy), S&T, and reducing carbon emissions (Ocean Climate Action Plan)
- *How*: Interagency coordination and a whole-of-government approach (including states, tribes, etc.)

**Emergency Coastal Resilience Fund** RFP coming mid-Nov for $25M (CT, RI eligible)