

Joint Policy on Beach & Inlet Management *(and some DC Updates)*

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What I'll Cover:



CSO



**Joint Policy on
Beach and Inlet
Management**



DC Update



Mission

Support the shared work and vision of the coastal states and territories for the protection, conservation, responsible use, and sustainable economic development of the nation's coastal resources



In 1972, Congress enacted the Coastal Zone Management Act to protect, restore, and manage the use of coastal resources to ensure long-term viability of these economically vital places.



Coastal Management Today

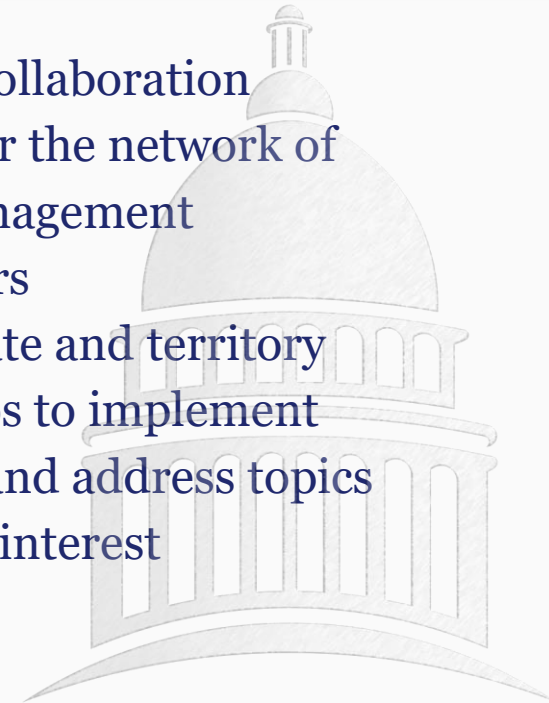


All coastal and Great Lakes states and territories (with the exception of Alaska) participate in the National Coastal Zone Management Program.



CSO Functions

- Help states and territories maintain a leadership role in developing federal level coastal policy
- Keep states attuned with developments in federal policy
- Conduct education and outreach on coast issues with Congress and federal agencies
- Provide a collaboration platform for the network of coastal management practitioners
- Support state and territory work groups to implement initiatives and address topics of national interest



American Shore and Beach Preservation Association and Coastal States Organization

Joint Beach and Inlet Management Policy



Introduction

The Coastal States Organization (CSO) represents the nation's coastal states, territories, and commonwealths on ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes issues. The American Shore and Beach Preservation Association (ASBPA) is dedicated to merging science and policy to preserve, protect, and enhance the beaches, shores, and coastal systems of the United States of America. Together these organizations represent state, local government, industry, and community stakeholder interests in managing and maintaining healthy beaches, dunes, and coastal inlets together with responsible coastal development.

The U.S. coasts face unprecedented challenges including rising sea and lake levels, increasing storm intensity, coastal erosion, and lack of available sediment. The Coastal Zone Management Act provides an important framework for federal-state collaboration to address these issues; however, increased investments by Congress, federal agencies, and states are needed to tackle these issues. Coastal managers need funding, robust science, and effective national policies and technical assistance for sediment management, permitting, and shoreline development to balance the multiple uses and values of our coastal resources, while ensuring those values are maintained or improved for future generations.

CSO and ASBPA strongly support the following five policy positions, and commit to working together to see these objectives fulfilled.

Policies

1. Sediment Management
2. Permitting
3. Funding
4. Development
5. Science and Research

Sediment Management

- *1.4: Federal funding and technical assistance for state coastal management programs and local government partners to plan, prioritize, and implement beneficial use projects, by:*
 - *Identifying opportunities to leverage cross agency funding sources and promote cost saving benefits (ex: FEMA);*
 - *Supporting operations, maintenance, and monitoring of projects; and*
 - *Establishing a federal cost-share for RSM planning (maintain existing programs and develop new strategies);*

Permitting

- *2.3: Having states serve as a centralized coordinator for state and federal permitting to create efficiencies through voluntary and innovative state-led permitting approaches;*
- *2.4: Requiring that various permitting reviews needed for state and federal approval are conducted concurrently to the maximum extent practicable;*

Learn More:



<https://www.coastalstates.org/joint-beach-and-inlet-management-policy/>



<https://asbpa.org/get-involved/policy/joint-policy-cso/>



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What's going on in DC?:

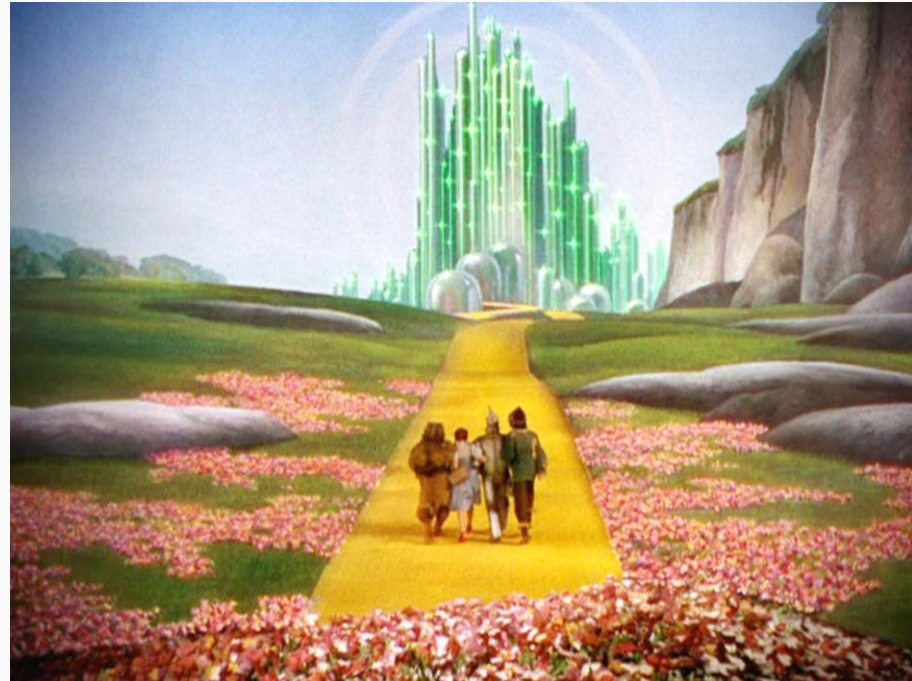
- **Appropriations**
- **Infrastructure**
- **Other coastal legislation**

Appropriations:

- “Skinny” Budget released:
 - Big increases for NOAA, EPA
 - Decrease for USACE (same as always, Congress always adds)
- Prez. Budget & Approps bills in June.

Infrastructure:

- \$2+ Trillion
- Possibly a \$10 *Billion* coastal project fund.
- Always just out of reach...



Other Coastal Legislation:

- **Ocean Based Climate Solutions Act (House)**
 - Lots of polices – Blue Carbon, Resilience funding, changes to existing legislation, prohibiting OCS drilling, etc.
- **Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) re-authorization;**
 - Modernizes key Coastal law.
- **Living Shorelines Act**
 - Authorizes new fund for Living Shorelines.
- **Reinvesting in Shoreline Economies and Ecosystems (RISEE) Act**
 - Money to state coastal programs and coastal resilience grants from offshore renewable energy; changes to GOMESA. (Formerly, OFFSHORE Act)

Questions?

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