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1. President Obama’s Executive Order 13547 – Stewardship of the Ocean, Our Coasts, and the Great Lakes set priorities for America’s ocean policy and created the structure in order to implement it. What federal entity was created to carry out the National Ocean Policy? (1 pt)

2. Name 2 of the priorities of the National Ocean Policy.(4 pts)

3. The federal entity implementing the National Ocean Policy (per question 1) is comprised of twenty-seven federal departments, independent agencies, and councils. Name one of the two co-chairs, and 3 other participants. (4 pts)

4. The National Ocean Policy includes coastal and marine spatial planning (CMSP), which will be led by the Regional Planning Bodies (RPB).
 - a. What is a benefit of a regional planning approach vs. a national planning approach? (2 pts)
 - b. Draw the regional planning body jurisdictions on the map below or list RPBs and member states. (9 pts)



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National Ocean Council (1 pt)

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(4 pts total, 2 pts each):

(i) protect, maintain, and restore the health and biological diversity of ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes ecosystems and resources;

(ii) improve the resiliency of ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes ecosystems, communities, and economies;

(iii) bolster the conservation and sustainable uses of land in ways that will improve the health of ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes ecosystems;

(iv) use the best available science and knowledge to inform decisions affecting the ocean, our coasts, and the Great Lakes, and enhance humanity's capacity to understand, respond, and adapt to a changing global environment;

(v) support sustainable, safe, secure, and productive access to, and uses of the ocean, our coasts, and the Great Lakes;

(vi) respect and preserve our Nation's maritime heritage, including our social, cultural, recreational, and historical values;

(vii) exercise rights and jurisdiction and perform duties in accordance with applicable international law, including respect for and preservation of navigational rights and freedoms, which are essential for the global economy and international peace and security;

(viii) increase scientific understanding of ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes ecosystems as part of the global interconnected systems of air, land, ice, and water, including their relationships to humans and their activities;

(ix) improve our understanding and awareness of changing environmental conditions, trends, and their causes, and of human activities taking place in ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes waters; and

(x) foster a public understanding of the value of the ocean, our coasts, and the Great Lakes to build a foundation for improved stewardship.

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(4 pts total)

Co-chairs:

Council on Environmental Quality

Office of Science and Technology Policy

Others:

Department of Agriculture

Department of Commerce

Department of Defense

Department of Energy

Department of Health and Human Services

Department of Homeland Security

Department of the Interior

Department of Justice

Department of Labor

Department of State

Department of Transportation

*Environmental Protection Agency
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
Joint Chiefs of Staff
National Aeronautics and Space
Administration
National Oceanic and Atmospheric
Administration
National Science Foundation
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
U.S. Coast Guard*

*Office of the Director of National
Intelligence
Office of Management and Budget
Office of the Vice President
National Security Staff (also acceptable:
National Security Advisor (NSA); Asst.
to the President for Homeland Security
and Counterterrorism)
Domestic Policy Council
National Economic Council*

4. The National Ocean Policy includes coastal and marine spatial planning (CMSP), which will be led by the Regional Planning Bodies (RPB).
- What is a benefit of a regional planning approach vs. a national planning approach? (2pts) *Consideration of regional concerns in the planning process as well as inclusion of local expertise. (1 pt) Local stakeholder involvement leads to greater participation and acceptance.(1 pt)*
 - Draw the regional planning body jurisdictions on the map below or list RPBs and member states. (9 pts, 1 pts each) *There are 9 regional planning bodies. As long as they get close to the relevant state boundaries, they get credit:*
 - *Northeast: (Maine to New York)(ME, NH, MA, CT, RI, NY)*
 - *Mid-Atlantic: New York City to VA/NC border (NY, NJ, DE, MD, VA)*
 - *South Atlantic: VA/NC border -Florida (NC, SC, GA, FL)*
 - *Gulf of Mexico: the entire Gulf (FL, AL, MS, LA, TX)*
 - *Caribbean: (USVI, PR)*
 - *West Coast: WA, OR, and CA*
 - *Arctic/Alaska: Alaska*
 - *Pacific Islands: HI,, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, and Guam*
 - *Great Lakes: (IL, IN, MI, MN, NY, OH, PA, WI)*

REFERENCES: map from mapsite.blogspot.com, <http://www.cmsp.noaa.gov/framework/index.html>

Executive Order: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/executive-order-stewardship-ocean-our-coasts-and-great-lakes>National Ocean Council Implementation Plan:

https://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/national_ocean_policy_implementation_plan.pdf

Marine Spatial Planning: <http://www.boem.gov/Environmental-Stewardship/NOP/Coastal-and-Marine-Spatial-Planning.aspx>