



NOAA OFFICE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMIT

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Problem Statement

- The Office of the Inspector concluded that a lack of management attention, direction, and oversight led to regional enforcement elements operating independently; in the Northeast Region, this has contributed to aggregate fine assessments that are inconsistent with those in the other five regions. From 2004-2009, fines in the Northeast were 2.5 times higher than the second highest region and five times or more greater than the other four regions



NOAA National Law Enforcement Summit

Office of Inspector General Findings

1. NOAA senior leadership need to exercise greater management and oversight
2. NOAA needs to strengthen policy guidance, procedures and internal controls
3. NOAA needs to reassess its workforce composition



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- Establish a process for annual priority setting at the national and regional level
- Increase compliance, emphasize partnerships, and utilize stakeholder input
- September-January consult with stakeholders
- January NOAA develops draft priorities
- February – August, internal and external review and approval process

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West Coast Approach