§ 3701. Purposes

(a) Purposes

The purposes of this chapter are to provide for—

(1) development and coordination of a comprehensive interagency plan to—

   (A) monitor and conduct research on the processes and consequences of ocean acidification on marine organisms and ecosystems; and
   
   (B) establish an interagency research and monitoring program on ocean acidification;

(2) establishment of an ocean acidification program within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration;

(3) assessment and consideration of regional and national ecosystem and socioeconomic impacts of increased ocean acidification; and

(4) research adaptation strategies and techniques for effectively conserving marine ecosystems as they cope with increased ocean acidification.


Short Title