

Proposed FY13 Physical Sciences Studies

Discipline	Title
AQ	NAAQS Exemption Level Study
AQ	Year 2014 Gulf-wide Emissions Inventory Study
AQ	Enhancing the Capability of a New Meteorological Model for Air Quality and Other BOEM Applications in the Gulf of Mexico
РО	Coral Reef Ocean Acidification Sentinel Site in the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary
РО	Testing Chang and Oey's (2011) Gulf of Mexico Oscillator Hypothesis: A Field Program





Background

- Coordinate air pollution control regulations between OCS offshore sources and state's onshore sources. States use offshore emissions in modeling to show compliance with the NAAQS.
- Estimate greenhouse gases from offshore activity.
- Enhances our NEPA process by providing an accurate inventory to compute emission trends
- Perform necessary air quality impact assessments





Year 2014 Gulf-wide Emissions Inventory

Relevance to BOEM

 BOEM will use the 2014 emissions inventory to support preparation of Environmental Impact Statements and Assessments, and assess emissions trends.

Objectives

 To develop a year 2014 gulf-wide air emissions inventory of OCS sources (platform and non-platform) for carbon monoxide (CO), sulfur dioxide (SO2), nitrogen oxides (NOx), particulate matter (PM10 and PM2.5), hydrocarbons (VOC), carbon dioxide (CO2), methane (CH4), and nitrous oxides (N20).





Year 2014 Gulf-wide Emissions Inventory

Methods

- Update GOADS and DBMS software as necessary
- Collect and compile emissions activity data OCS facilities and vessels.
- Quality control and assurance.
- Calculate a total emissions inventory, by pollutant, using the existing Database Management System

Products

- Final ACCESS database of platform emissions
- Final ACCESS database of non-platform emissions
- Final Report





Year 2014 Gulf-wide Emissions Inventory

Cost Breakdown

- Collection of Activity Data- ~\$60K
- Calculation of Emissions- ~\$120K
- -Final Report and Database- ~\$120K
- Updating software, training and workshop, QA/QC- ~\$50K
- –Total Cost-~\$350K

