Appropriations Process for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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Annual Appropriations Cycle

1. President submits budget to Congress.

2. Congress adopts budget resolution.

3. Congress considers appropriations measures.

4. House and Senate confer to resolve differences.

5. President may sign or veto measure.

For more information, see CRS R42388, *The Congressional Appropriations Process: An Introduction*. 
Appropriations Subcommittee Structure

The current structure includes the following 12 subcommittees:

- Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration;
- Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies;
- Defense;
- Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies;
- Financial Services and General Government;
- Homeland Security;
- Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies; (includes EPA)
- Labor, Health and Human Services, Education;
- Legislative Branch;
- Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies;
- State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs; and
- Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies.
EPA Appropriations Overview

FY2015 through FY2024

Source: CRS, using information from the Congressional Record; House, Senate, and conference reports; and EPA's FY2024 Congressional Budget Justification. Enacted amounts reflect rescissions, supplemental, and advanced appropriations, except FY2022 enacted amounts do not include $41.46 billion in supplemental appropriations provided in P.L. 117-169.
EPA Appropriations Accounts: Enacted and Requested Trends

Source: CRS, using information from the Congressional Record; House, Senate, and conference reports. Enacted amounts reflect rescissions and supplemental appropriations, except FY2022 enacted amounts do not include supplemental appropriations provided in the Inflation Reduction Act (P.L. 117-169).
Climate-Related EPA Appropriations: Selected Examples

Congress provides funding for many activities throughout EPA appropriations with a connection to climate change.

Science and Technology: Clean Air Program Area

- FY2023 Enacted: $144.55 million
- FY2024 Request: $220.99 million

Environmental Programs and Management: Clean Air Program Area

- FY2023 Enacted: $311.80 million
- FY2024 Request: $694.68 million

Note: Examples of climate-related appropriations are provided for illustrative purposes and do not represent a comprehensive list of EPA activities that could be considered related to climate or climate change activities.
Examples of Climate-Related EPA Appropriations (cont.)

State and Tribal Assistance Grants

- **Diesel Emissions Reduction Grants**
  - FY2023 Enacted: $100.0 million
  - FY2024 Request: $150.0 million

- **Wildfire Smoke Preparedness**
  - FY2023 Enacted: $7.0 million
  - FY2024 Request: $7.0 million
Examples of Climate Related EPA Appropriations: IRA

Climate Pollution Reduction Grants
- FY2022 Enacted: $5.0 billion

IRA Section 60103: Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Reduction Fund
- $27.0 billion to EPA for FY2022 for competitive grants to reduce GHG emissions
- Three Notices of Funding Opportunity issued in 2023
  - Solar For All: $7.0 billion
  - National Clean Investment Fund: $14.0 billion
  - Clean Communities Investment Accelerator: $6.0 billion
More Information

CRS Reports:  crsreports.congress.gov (public)

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) FY2023 Appropriations
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Appropriations: FY2024 President’s Budget Request
- Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 (IRA) Provisions Related to Climate Change
- EPA’s Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF)