

# **ADVOCACY BRIEFING FOR UCAR MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIVES**

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# Overview of the FY 2004 Federal Budget Environment

- President's priorities are national defense, war on terror, and homeland security
- President's budget seeks 4% growth in domestic discretionary spending
- Congress will support the President's budget requests

# FY 2004 Science Agency Budgets and Policy Issues

- National Science Foundation –
  - Authorization act to double the budget
  - In FY 2003 NSF up 13%
  - Geosciences increases by 13.4%
  - Atmospheric by 15% and
  - HIAPER funding on top of that
  - FY 2004 – 4% or 5%

# FY 2004 Science Agency Budgets and Policy Issues

## ■ NOAA

- Request is \$3.3 billion
- House cuts by \$300 million
- Senate recommends \$3.8 billion
- NOAA climate change
- USGCRP vs. CCRI
- U.S. Weather Research Program
- OAR
- Collaborations Fund

# FY 2004 Science Agency Budgets and Policy Issues

- NASA – earth science support down; Gehman report
- DHS – university research program, HSARPA solicitations
- DOE – Office of Science - \$3.3 to \$3.4 billion, omnibus energy bill
- DOD – modest increase for research, basic research up .17%

# Looking Ahead What's Next?

- Administration – What is the purpose?  
What are the results?
- NOAA – reauthorization process
- DHS – newly emerging, may offer opportunities
- NSF – needs community support