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FY 2014 Omnibus Appropriations Package Cuts GPS Program Funding

On January 17, President Obama signed the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014 (P.L. 113-76). The omnibus spending package includes \$1.2086 billion in Air Force funds for GPS procurement and development, a \$67 million reduction from the President's budget request.

FY 2014 Line Item	President's Budget Request	Full House Mark (H.R. 2397)	Senate Committee Mark (S. 1429)	Enacted Amount (P.L. 113-76)
Procurement: GPS IIF Satellites	\$55.997 million	\$55.997 million	\$55.997 million	\$55.997 million
Procurement: GPS III Satellites	\$477.598 million	\$433.431 million	\$472.598 million	\$450.598 million
Development: GPS III Satellites	\$221.276 million	\$206.276 million	\$221.276 million	\$201.276 million
Development: Next Generation Operational Control System	\$383.500 million	\$365.500 million	\$383.500 million	\$373.500 million
Development: Military GPS User Equipment	\$137.233 million	\$127.233 million	\$137.233 million	\$127.233 million
Total	\$1.2756 billion	\$1.1884 billion	\$1.2706 billion	\$1.2086 billion

The funding act also provides the FAA with \$6 million for designated civil GPS upgrades and \$84 million for the Wide Area Augmentation System (WAAS), \$14 million and \$25 million below the request, respectively. The act fully funds the new Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology, including the \$5.6 million Nationwide Differential GPS program. For additional funding details, visit www.gps.gov/policy/funding/2014.

Omnibus Includes Provision on LightSquared Interference Issue

P.L. 113-76 prohibits the FCC from using FY 2014 funds to remove the conditions imposed on LightSquared's commercial terrestrial operations until the FCC has resolved GPS interference concerns. Such concerns stem from LightSquared's proposal to operate a "4G" wireless network in the spectrum next to GPS. The FY 2012 omnibus act included the same provision. To learn more, see www.gps.gov/policy/legislation/lightsquared.

Congress Finalizes FY 2014 NDAA Recommending Full Funding for GPS

President Obama recently signed the National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2014 (P.L. 113-66), which authorizes \$1.276 billion for the Air Force's GPS program. The act requires congressional notification of any suspected foreign disruption of national security space capabilities (such as GPS). The legislation also limits the construction of navigation satellite monitoring stations controlled by foreign governments within U.S. territory. Such construction requires national security certification that the stations cannot be used to gather intelligence or improve foreign weapons systems. The provision includes a detailed certification waiver process and a five-year sunset clause. For more, go to www.gps.gov/policy/funding/2014.



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