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NRC Proposes FY 2022 Budget to Congress

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is proposing to Congress a budget of \$887.7 million for fiscal year 2022, an increase of \$24.4 million over its enacted budget for FY 2021.

Details of the budget request include:

- Funding of \$477.4 million for nuclear reactor safety; \$130.2 million for nuclear materials and waste safety; and \$266.3 million for corporate support.
- Funding of \$23 million for the continued development of a regulatory infrastructure for advanced nuclear reactor technologies, an increase of \$5.3 million when compared to FY 2021.
- Support for 2,879 full-time equivalent employees, including the Office of Inspector General, a slight increase compared to the FY 2021 enacted budget, but significantly less than the 3,800 FTE in the agency's FY 2014 budget.
- The inclusion of \$13.8 million for the OIG, an independent office that conducts audits and investigations to ensure the efficiency and integrity of NRC programs, and to promote cost-effective management. The OIG's budget also includes funding to provide auditing and investigation services for the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

Since the NRC expects to recover \$756.7 million of its budget in license fees, which are paid directly to the U.S. Treasury, the resulting net appropriations request is \$131 million.

The budget briefing slides and the Congressional Budget Justification are available on the [NRC website](#).