

Monthly Legislative Update

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Presentation Overview

- Updates on:
 - FY2018 appropriations
 - State of the Union re-cap
 - Infrastructure
- What's ahead
 - FY2019 budget
- NADO-DDAA Washington Conference
 - Hill visits
 - Congressional Partnership Awards
 - Agenda



FY2018 Appropriations Update

- Congress failed to come to a spending agreement resulting in government shutdown January 20 – 23
- Deal struck on January 23 – CR through February 8
- Promise was made by Senate Republican leadership to bring immigration vote to the floor in February
- Without agreement on spending caps, long-term funding in doubt

FY2018 Budget Caps

	FY2018 Budget Cap	FY2018 House Budget	FY2018 Senate Budget
Defense	\$549b	\$621.5b	\$551b
Non-Defense	\$515.7b	\$511b	\$518.5b



FY2018 Appropriations Update

- House plans to vote today on a CR through March 23 (5th CR since FY2018 began)
- CR provides a full year of defense funding totaling \$659.2 billion; extends current funding for all other federal agencies just through March 23
- Other provisions in the House CR:
 - Two-year extension of funding for Community Health Centers
 - \$51 million to Census Bureau to avoid delays in 2020 Census
 - \$225 million to SBA for disaster assistance



FY2018 Appropriations and Immigration

- Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) expires March 5
- Bipartisan legislation in both House and Senate would extend protection for DACA recipients and enact border security measures (though not fund border wall construction) – President Trump says he will not support
- President Trump has released a border security plan calling for \$20 billion over 10 years and \$6 billion for additional border patrol

FY2018 Appropriations: Defense Spending

- The balance between defense and non-defense discretionary spending remains a sticking point in budget negotiations
- Defense hawks in Congress and President Trump seek an increase in defense spending in FY2018
- Congressional Democrats seek parity for defense and non-defense spending
- Attempt to push defense funding in full before new budget caps are set complicates task

State of the Union Re-cap: Priorities and Costs

- Comprehensive infrastructure package: \$200 billion in direct spending to leverage \$1.5 trillion
- Increasing defense spending: \$716 billion
- Six-week paid family leave plan: \$19 billion
- Expanding veteran healthcare choice: \$29 billion
- Disaster aid: Latest WH request \$44 billion
- Increasing border security: \$20 billion for wall, \$6 billion for additional border patrol
- Recently-passed tax reform: \$1.5 trillion over 10 years



Infrastructure

- Administration's number one priority for 2018
- Blueprint expected to be released February 12
- President announced new figure during SOTU: \$1.5 trillion in new investment
- Broad outline of how \$200 billion in direct budget authority will be spent:
 - Infrastructure Incentives Initiative: \$100 billion
 - Transformative Projects Program: \$20 billion
 - Rural infrastructure Program: \$50 billion
 - Federal Credit Programs: \$14 billion
- White House attempting intra-agency MOU on two-year environmental permitting process

Looking Ahead

- President's FY2019 budget expected February 12
 - NADO to provide analysis through special webinar and budget report
 - Last year's webinar available [here](#)
- What to look for: details about spending assumptions for infrastructure plan, long-term goals for defense and domestic spending, larger policy goals, recommendations for programs important to RDOs
- New House Budget Committee Chair Steve Womack (R-AR) interested in reforming budget process
- Debt-ceiling – borrowing limit reached in mid-March



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2018 NADO-DDDA Washington Conference: March 18 -21

- Schedule Hill visits for March 20
 - Transportation to Capitol Hill starts at 10:00 a.m.
 - Coordinate meeting schedules, contact offices
 - Determine people to invite & which issue(s) to discuss; ex. fed investments
 - After: Follow-up with office, reconnect with district staff, invite to next event; ex. site visit



2018 NADO-DDDA Washington Conference: March 18 -21

- Congressional Partnership Awards
 - Nominations due Feb. 28
 - Senate and House members
 - Demonstrates leadership and support for regional development initiatives
 - Awards available to present at Hill visits
 - Nomination form available [here](#)
- Updated agenda available [here](#)



Questions?



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