UNITED STATES ARCTIC RESEARCH COMMISSION (USARC)

	U	SARC Fund	ding		
(Dollars in Millions)					
	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	Change Over FY 2016 Actual	
	Actual	(TBD)	Request	Amount	Percent
USARC	\$1.43	-	\$1.43	-	-

About USARC

USARC was created by the Arctic Research and Policy Act of 1984, (as amended, P. L. 101-609), to assist in establishing the national policy, priorities, and goals necessary to construct a federal program plan for basic and applied scientific research with respect to the Arctic. This request provides funds to advance Arctic research, to recommend Arctic research policy, and to communicate research and policy recommendations. In addition, USARC advises the Interagency Arctic Research Policy Committee (IARPC) in developing national Arctic research projects and a five-year plan to implement those projects. USARC also supports interaction with Arctic residents, international Arctic research programs and organizations, and local institutions, including regional governments, in order to obtain the broadest possible view of Arctic research needs. USARC is an independent federal agency, funded through NSF's appropriation, specifically as an activity in the Research and Related Activities account.

The USARC is requesting \$1.43 million, equal to the FY 2016 Enacted level. The FY 2018 Request will support three FTE funded at USARC. In addition, the FY 2018 Request supports one full-time contractor and four part-time contractors. A total of seven compensated personnel are authorized per P.L. 101-609. The seven Commissioners may also receive up to 90 days of salary per year, at the Executive Schedule Level IV.

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