The national Oceans Protection Plan is the largest investment ever made to protect Canada’s coasts and waterways for future generations, while growing our economy.

$1.5 BILLION

$338 MILLION Stronger ecosystem conservation
- Restoring coastal aquatic habitats through the Coastal Restoration Fund
- Researching the effects of marine shipping on six ecosystems in Canada
- Addressing the threats to marine mammals from vessel noise and collisions
- Removing and preventing abandoned and derelict vessels

$278 MILLION Improved emergency preparedness and response
- Establishing 24/7 emergency response and incident management
- Increasing on-scene environmental response capacity
- Improving oil spill response plans

$250 MILLION Increased Canadian Coast Guard capacity for prevention and response
- Acquiring new environmental response equipment
- Increasing emergency tow capacity to respond to ships in distress
- Building six new lifeboat stations and an inshore rescue boat station
- Establishing a new Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary for Indigenous Peoples in British Columbia

$207 MILLION Enhanced prevention with safer navigation and vessel tracking
- Investing in modern hydrography and charting of Canada’s ports
- Investing in Canada’s space-based Automated Information System to better track ships
- Sharing near real-time information on marine traffic with Indigenous and coastal communities

$161 MILLION Greater marine protection for Canada’s Arctic
- Investing in safety equipment and marine infrastructure in northern communities
- Expanding the National Aerial Surveillance Program to detect oil spills in the Arctic
- Increasing the Canadian Coast Guard presence in the Arctic

$103 MILLION Increased marine research and science
- Improving understanding of how oil behaves in water
- Enhancing ocean models of winds, waves and currents, to help responders track spills and predict their path
- Expanding research on oil-spill response technology

$81 MILLION Engaged Canadians and partnerships with Indigenous Peoples
- Building meaningful partnerships with Indigenous Peoples
- Expanding marine training opportunities for Indigenous Peoples through the Marine Training Contribution Fund
- Engaging Canadians to improve their understanding of Canada’s marine safety system

$56 MILLION Modernized marine safety regulations and operations
- Updating The Pilotage Act, which governs marine pilots in Canada
- Modernizing Canada’s marine safety regulation and enforcement regime
- Increasing Canada’s representation in international marine safety initiatives

For more information, please visit the Oceans Protection Plan interactive map http://canada.ca/oceans-protection-plan-project-map
Note: program spending rounded to nearest million