palities, to affect more than 1 State, or to cross an international boundary.

# (3) Definitions

In this subsection:

# (A) Appropriate federal official

The term "appropriate Federal official" means-

(i) in the case of a marine or coastal hypoxia or harmful algal bloom event, the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere; and

(ii) in the case of a freshwater hypoxia or harmful algal bloom event, the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

## (B) Event of national significance

The term "event of national significance" means a hypoxia or harmful algal bloom event that has had or will likely have a significant detrimental environmental, economic, subsistence use, or public health impact on an affected State.

# (C) Hypoxia or harmful algal bloom event

The term "hypoxia or harmful algal bloom event" means the occurrence of hypoxia or a harmful algal bloom as a result of a natural, anthropogenic, or undetermined cause.

(Pub. L. 115-423, §9(g), Jan. 7, 2019, 132 Stat. 5463.)

## **Editorial Notes**

#### CODIFICATION

This section was enacted as part of the Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research and Control Amendments Act of 2017 and also as part of the National Integrated Drought Information System Reauthorization Act of 2018, and not as part of the Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998 which comprises this chapter.

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# §4101. Definitions

In this chapter:

#### (1) Administration

The term "Administration" means the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

## (2) Administrator

The term "Administrator" means the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere and Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

## (3) Cooperative activities of the Administration

The terms<sup>1</sup> "cooperative activities of the Administration" means cooperative activities between the Administration and an external entity, such as the Cooperative Institutes, Sea Grant Colleges, National Estuarine Research Reserves, the National Oceanographic Partnership Program established under chapter 665 of title 10, and regional associations of the Integrated Ocean Observing System.

# (4) Data specifications

The term "data specifications" shall refer to the type, resolution, periodicity, and quality of data required by an program of the Administration.

# (5) Test or training range

### (A) In general

The term "test or training range" means an area designated for operating unmanned maritime systems and other types of systems for the purpose of-

(i) evaluating the performance of such systems; or

(ii) training personnel on operating procedures for such systems.

# (B) Inclusions

The term "test or training range" may include specialized fixed or portable instrumentation for the operation of unmanned maritime systems and other types of systems.

#### (6) Unmanned maritime systems

# (A) In general

The term "unmanned maritime systems" means remotely operated or autonomous vehicles produced by the commercial sector—

(i) designed to function without an onboard human presence; and

(ii) that may include associated components such as control and communications, instrumentation, data transmission, and processing systems.

# (B) Examples

The term "unmanned maritime systems" includes the following:

- (i) Unmanned undersea vehicles.
- (ii) Unmanned surface vehicles.
- (iii) Autonomous underwater vehicles.
- (iv) Autonomous surface vehicles.

#### (C) Treatment of aerial vehicles

The term "unmanned maritime systems" includes unmanned aerial vehicles and autonomous aerial vehicles that are used to address maritime issues to the extent the Administrator determines it is necessary and appropriate to achieve the purposes of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 115-394, §2, Dec. 21, 2018, 132 Stat. 5281.)

## Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

#### SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 115-394, §1(a), Dec. 21, 2018, 132 Stat. 5281, provided that: "This Act [enacting this chapter] may be

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>So in original. Probably should be "term".