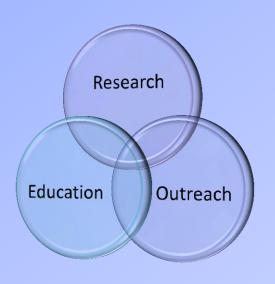
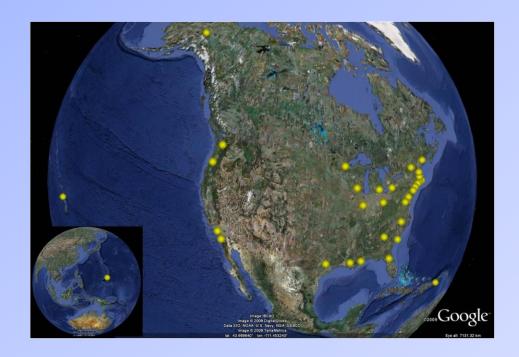
## **ACII Allocation Principles**

- Maintain the national network
- Preserve Sea Grant Model





### **ACII** Allocation Principles

- Funding to State Programs:
  - Statutory limit: No state can receive more than 15%
  - Need-driven
  - Competitive
  - Merit-based
  - Stable funding to manage program
  - Institutionalizes regional research
  - Program Director retains discretion within program, helps set regional priorities

## **ACII** Allocation Principles

- Funding for National Programs:
  - National Strategic Investments: competitively available to programs
  - Fund a functional national office

- Phase in new policy
  - Not to exceed two 4-yr planning cycles (8yrs)

# Recommended ACII Allocation Policy Framework

#### State (75% Federal Funds)

- Base to program (50% Federal Funds)
  - Administration/Extension/Education/Communication/Research
  - Fair and equitable needs-based distribution of funds to state programs
- Regional Competitive Research (15% Federal Funds)
  - Regionally funded NSIs; competitive among states
  - · Total determined by need-based allocation by state
- Merit Pool (10%)
  - Administration/Extension/Education/Communication/Research
  - Competitive
  - Performance based
- Total state budgets should strive for 40% or more research

### National (25% Federal Funds)

- Competitive National Programs
  - Fellowships
  - National Strategic Investments
- NSGO