



Invasive Species and the Vessel Incidental Discharge Act



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Ballast Water Management



Where we are

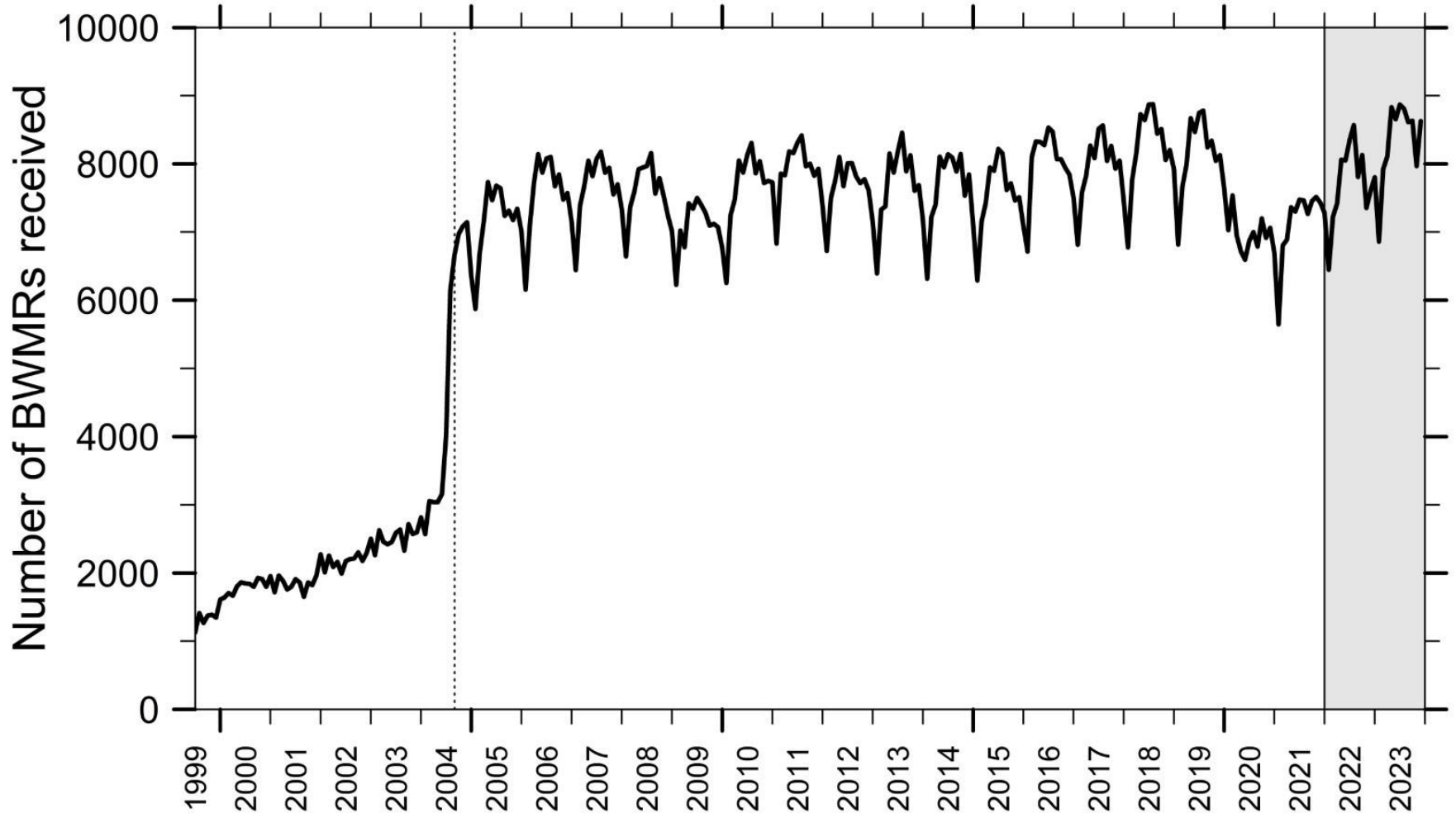


Coast Guard continues to enforce current Ballast Water regulations until it publishes final VIDA implementing regulations.

- Compliance enforcement is similar to other pollution prevention and control requirements and technologies.
- 54 USCG Type Approved systems are available for most vessel needs, including freshwater routes.



Monthly NBIC BMR

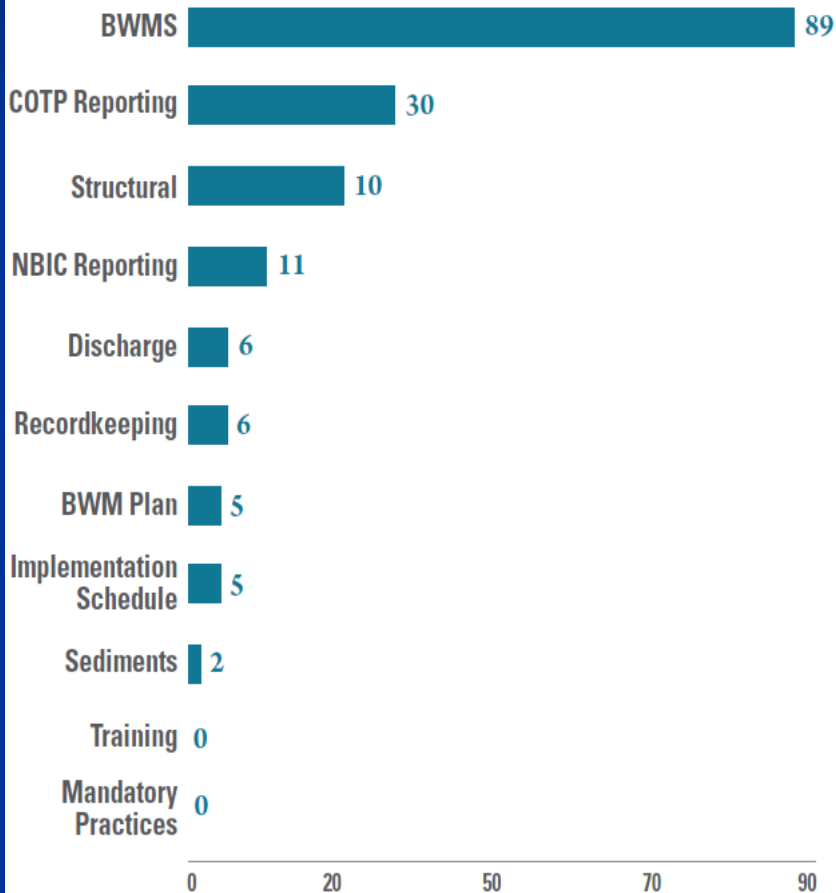




Enforcement

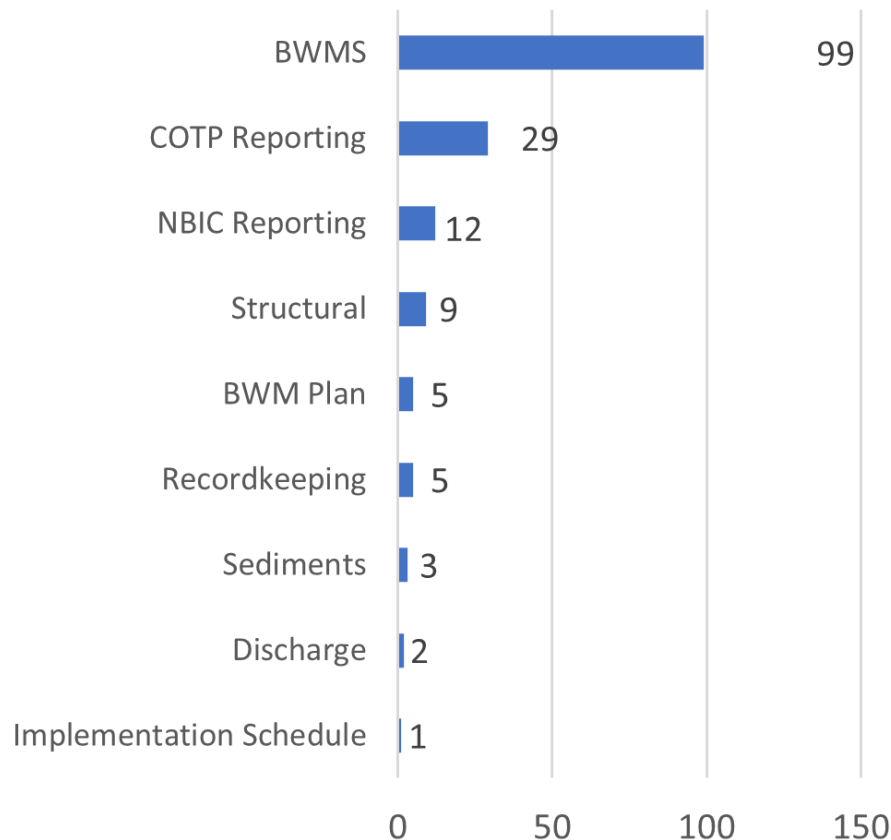


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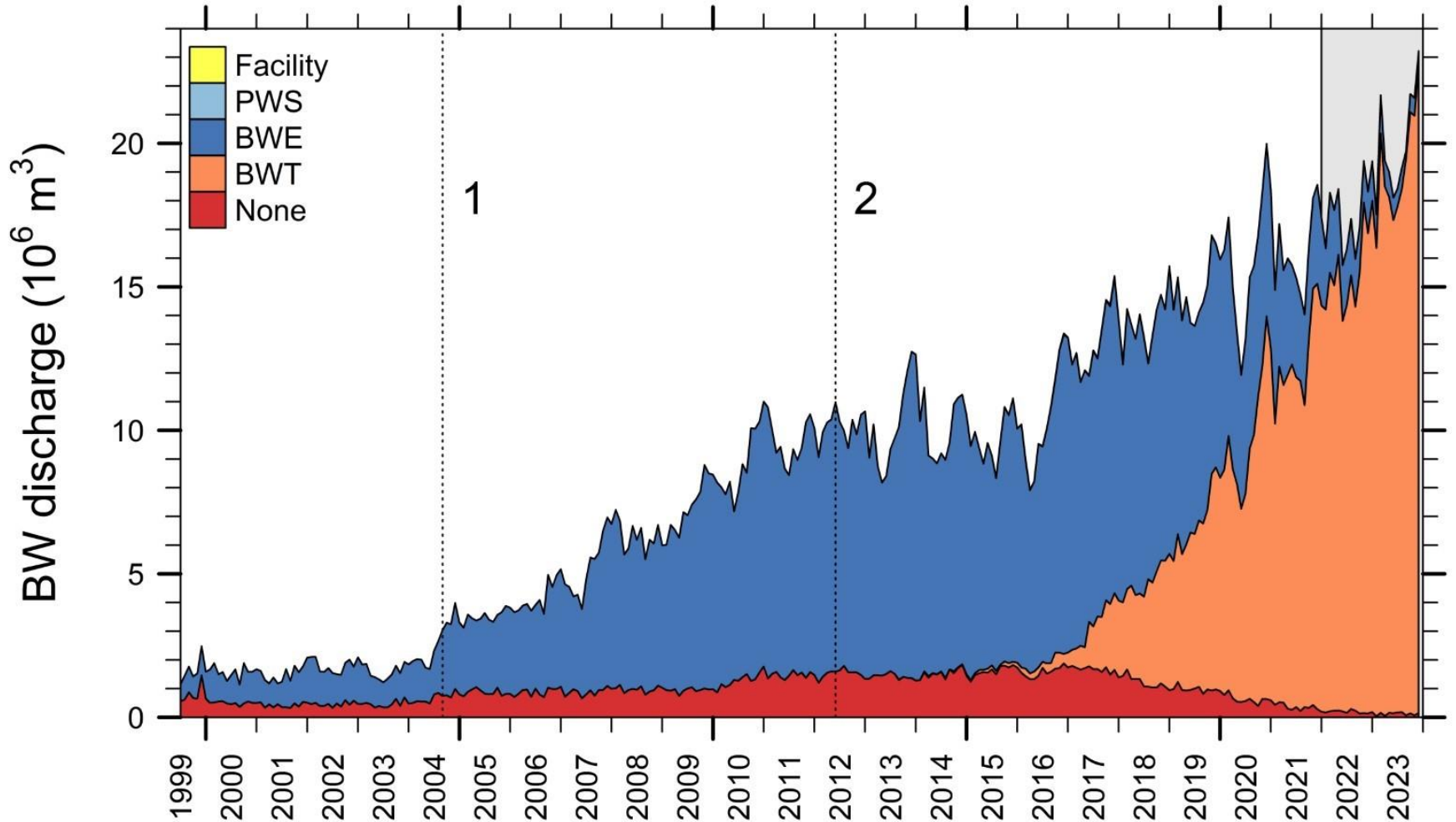
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Management Methods





Extensions



- Coast Guard extension letters have been greatly reduced; only ~ 250 active extensions
 - Both compliance and AMS extensions
- VIDA does not include a statutory mandate to continue to recognize AMS or grant extensions.



Other Activities



■ Annual Reports to Congress

- Fourth BWM report (2022-23) in Administration review
- Previous reports online with Smithsonian:
<https://repository.si.edu/handle/10088/21>



Thank you!



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