FAST RESPONSE CUTTER

Acquisition Directorate

Coast Guard Cutter Glen Harris

CHARACTERISTICS

Length:	154 feet
Beam:	25 feet
Draft:	9 feet 6 inches
Displacement:	353 long tons
Maximum Speed:	28+ knots
Range:	2,500 nautical miles
Base Endurance:	five days

FEATURES

- Enhanced response time with a top speed of at least 28 knots
- Stabilized 25-mm machine gun mount and four crew-served .50-caliber machine guns
- Fully interoperable command and control systems with Coast Guard existing and future assets and with the departments of Homeland Security and Defense
- Standardized over the horizon IV cutter boat with stern launch capabilities

"The fast response cutters are the mainstay of the Coast Guard's coastal patrol fleet, providing multi-mission capabilities and interagency interoperability."

– Adm. Karl Schultz, commandant of the Coast Guard

For updates on the FRC, visit the program's website at www.dcms.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/Assistant-Commandant-for-Acquisitions-CG-9/Programs/Surface-Programs/Fast-Response-Cutters/

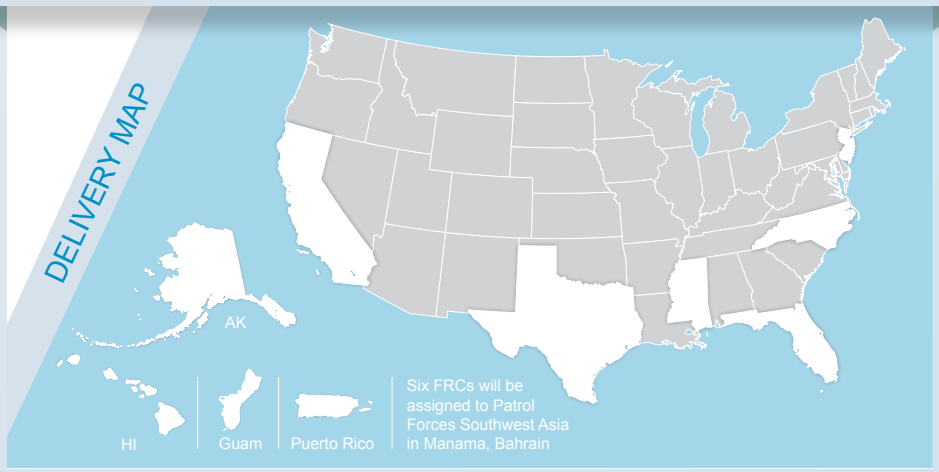
PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Sentinel-class fast response cutter (FRC) is designed for multiple missions, including drug and migrant interdiction; ports, waterways and coastal security; fishery patrols; search and rescue; and national defense. The Coast Guard has ordered 64 FRCs to replace the 1980s-era Island-class 110-foot patrol boats. The total value of Phase 2 of the contract is currently approximately $1.7 billion. The FRCs feature advanced command, control, communications, computers, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance equipment; over the horizon cutter boat deployment to reach vessels of interest; and improved habitability and seakeeping.

Forty-three are in service: 12 in Florida; seven in Puerto Rico; four in California; three each in Hawaii, Guam, Texas and New Jersey; and two each in Alaska, Mississippi, North Carolina and Bahrain (for Patrol Forces Southwest Asia).

Future FRC homeports include Astoria, Oregon; Boston; St. Petersburg, Florida; and Kodiak, Seward and Sitka, Alaska.

Mission execution begins *here*.



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