

R/V Clifford A. Barnes Replacement Update



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Status Update

- NSF Concurred with FIC recommendation to keep Barnes in service until the end of 2016
- UW CFO & Provost met & concurred on importance of a Barnes replacement
 - Pledged \$1.5M of UW funds for a replacement vessel
- Given the authorization to engage with the legislature to build support for funding a replacement vessel
 - This puts this project ahead of the normally lengthy UW capital project approval, prioritization & funding pursuit process
 - Developing the engagement strategy
 - Reviewing potential funding & schedule scenarios
 - Will focus engagement late fall & into the new year leading into the next state legislative session begins mid-January
 - Outgoing Governor drafting proposed budget will it include CAB replacement?
 - This will focus on Washington 2013-2015 biennium. Will also have opportunity for the 2015-2017 biennial budget

Update Cont'd

- Focus team created & regular meetings starting including:
 - CoEnv Asst Dean, Planning & Initiatives
 - CoEnv Director of Strategic Partnerships & Civic Engagement
 - CoEnv Asst Dean, Advancement
 - CoEnv Communications Specialist
 - Associate Director, School of Oceanography
 - Manager of Marine Operations
- Identifying potential private donors
 - Developing the fund raising strategy
- Reconvening the Barnes Replacement Committee
 - Utilize scientists to help tell the story as to why a replacement vessel is needed
- Identifying potential partnerships with other educational partners in Washington
 - Also seeking state funding for a certain number of state academic days including days for other state educational institutions
- Strong 2013 CAB schedule 128 days

Summary

- UW commitment to building a replacement vessel
- Actively seeking funding to build a replacement & obtain funding commitment for state days
- Working to establish educational partnerships to further expand the benefit of a state owned research vessel
- Continued strong demand for a Local-class research vessel in Puget Sound