

# **ONR** Update

UNOLS FIC-Council Meetings
March 2013

## Funding Requirements for 2013

- 540 Days of Navy research funded in CY13
  - Spread among 12 UNOLS vessels \$14M
- 30 Days on FLIP \$700K
- Major Repair Bills (so far)
  - THOMPSON Z-Drive \$825K (Total Repair = \$2M)
  - KILO MOANA Engine Control Software \$65K
- ALVIN 2 engineering dives \$120K
- Ship Layup Costs \$350K
- Fleet Broadband \$448K
- Ship Improvements \$250K

### **ONR Vessels\***

- Atlantis 274 (Potentially down to 244)
- Kilo Moana 251
- Knorr 256
- Melville 316
- Revelle 279
  - Total- 1376

\* As of 28 Feb: includes Pending days

## Navy-Funded Ship Time 2013

•	Atlantis –	4	
•	Endeavor –	32	(with 21 more pending)
•	Walton Smith -	46	
•	Sharp –	97	
•	Knorr –	18	(negotiating additional days now)
•	Melville –	83	
•	New Horizon –	22	(6 additional days pending)
•	Oceanus –	49	
•	Pelican –	8	
•	Point Sur –	29	
•	Revelle –	149	
•	Thompson -	4	
	Total-	540	

### Major ONR Sponsored Projects At Sea

- Columbia Bar late May
  - Multi-ship effort (Melville, Oceanus, Pt Sur)
- South China Sea (Revelle)
  - Cooperative with Viet Nam;
  - Currently Clearance issues, but cruises will occur
  - Science cruises 2013-2014
- Bay of Bengal (Revelle)
  - Cooperative with Sri Lanka
  - Multi-year effort
- Arctic Research ship-based beginning in 2015

### Ship Capability Improvements Funded in FY13/14

- Atlantis
  - Replacement chem van & trawl winch hydraulic pumps
- Kilo Moana
  - Design study for a new boat davit
- Scripps
  - Seismic software
  - ROV USBL
- All Z-Drive Vessels-
  - Thruster Improvement Study
  - Z-Drive Monitoring System for AGOR 23
- All Global Class Vessels-
  - Electronic Charting and Display Systems
- METOC instrumented UAV project on Revelle and Knorr

#### Ship Retirements

- The Navy process for retirement and disposal of KNORR and MELVILLE has begun-
  - SENAV and CNO offices have been notified
  - KNORR (still) scheduled to retire in early 2014
    - Controlling factors: UNOLS schedule needs and AGOR 27
  - MELVILLE (still) scheduled to retire end of 2014
    - Controlling factors: UNOLS schedule needs and AGOR 28
- Possible outcomes:
  - Retention by Navy in the mothball fleet (not likely)
  - Transfer to another Federal agency (NSF?:)
  - Transfer to a State agency, etc (ala Moana Wave)
  - Foreign Military Sale/Transfer (NIPO interest)
  - Scrapping (not likely)

#### AGOR 23 "Mid-Life" Refit & Possible SLEP

- Scoping study completed by Glosten in Dec
  - Options include "must-do" and "nice to have" paths
    - New/replacement systems for environmental compliance
    - New/replacement systems to overcome obsolescence
    - New/replacement systems for improved ship performance
- FY15 budget request presented to CNR in Dec
  - Recommended "high option" for SLEP to 45 yrs
  - Awaiting final word, but not optimistic it will be funded
- Re-planning for other means to accomplish "must-do" items