

NOAA's Ship and Aircraft Support

Office of Marine and Aviation Operations (OMAO)



University-National Oceanographic Laboratory
System (UNOLS)
Research Vessel Operator's Committee Meeting

Solomons, MD

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Overview

- ☑ Fleet Overview
- ☑ Vessel Operations
- ☑ New Ship
- ☑ UNOLS Vessel Support





NOAA Ships and Homeports in 2012





Vessel Operations

- ✓ **FY2013 Budget under Omnibus**
- ✓ **2718 Operating Days**
- ✓ **16 Ships currently operating**
- ✓ **4 Ships will be offline this year**
 - ✓ *Delaware II – Decommissioned*
 - ✓ *Miller Freeman – Decommissioned*
 - ✓ *McArthur II*
 - ✓ *Ka'imimoana*

~180 Days per ship – Over 75% utilization rate





New Ships

FSV-6 Marinette, WI



(Credit: Val Ihde, Marinette Marine Corp.)

Reuben Lasker





UNOLS Vessel Support

📍 2013 – 222 Operating Days planned

- 📍 *Clifford A. Barnes* Puget Sound
- 📍 *Walton Smith* Habitat/Western Boundary
- 📍 *Hugh Sharp* Fisheries Survey
- 📍 *New Horizon* CalCofi
- 📍 *Pelican* GOM
- 📍 *Savannah* Fisheries Survey
- 📍 *Thompson* Vents

7% of UNOLS Days





Collaborative Opportunities

- ✔ **Joint NOAA/UNOLS Technician Training**
- ✔ **Environmental Compliance Training**
- ✔ **Scheduling Portal hosted by UNOLS**

