

Summary of *3-11-14* FIC Meeting and Action Items that Require Council Attention

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Item 1

- Review of Projected Service Life End Dates showed some incorrect assumptions for nominal vessel service life. FIC will assume 30 years for new vessels coming into operation.
- Service Life Projection memos following regular NSF inspections would be useful for FIC to have for all UNOLS vessels to evaluate potential retirement dates and to keep the community informed.
- ✓ Council asked to support this request to agencies.

Item 2.

- Review of future projections for Coastal/Local class vessels led to the motion that “ *UNOLS only consider the addition of a Coastal/Local vessel to the UNOLS fleet when it meets federal mission scenarios and safety standards.*” Basically, FIC proposes no change in the UNOLS Charter and no push for federally supported renewal efforts of this class.
- ✓ Council is asked if they concur with FIC and expression of this view in future planning documents.

Item 3

- Review of ship operator responses to vessel optimal use definitions has led us closer to the definition of Optimal Ranges (sweet spots) for each individual vessel.
- FIC will send forward proposed ranges to Operators for review including ranges for new vessels coming into service.
- ✓ After operator review and refinement, FIC will send a proposal to Council to adopt these new metrics for gaging fleet utilization.

Final Item

- FIC has established deadlines for drafting sections of a new web-based Fleet Improvement Plan (FIP).
- The FIP will include a new table that lists the design characteristics of each vessel and this information will be compared to projected SMRs.
- FIC will spend ~half day during the 2014 Fall meeting in Executive Session working on final FIP recommendations.
- ✓ Council will be asked to review the FIP after the Fall meeting when a draft is complete.