



# VAN POOL UPDATES

UNOLS Annual Meeting, October 2021

# West Coast Van Pool (WCVP)

Oregon State University – Kaya Johnson

# East Coast Van Pool (ECVP)

University of Delaware – Timothy W. Deering

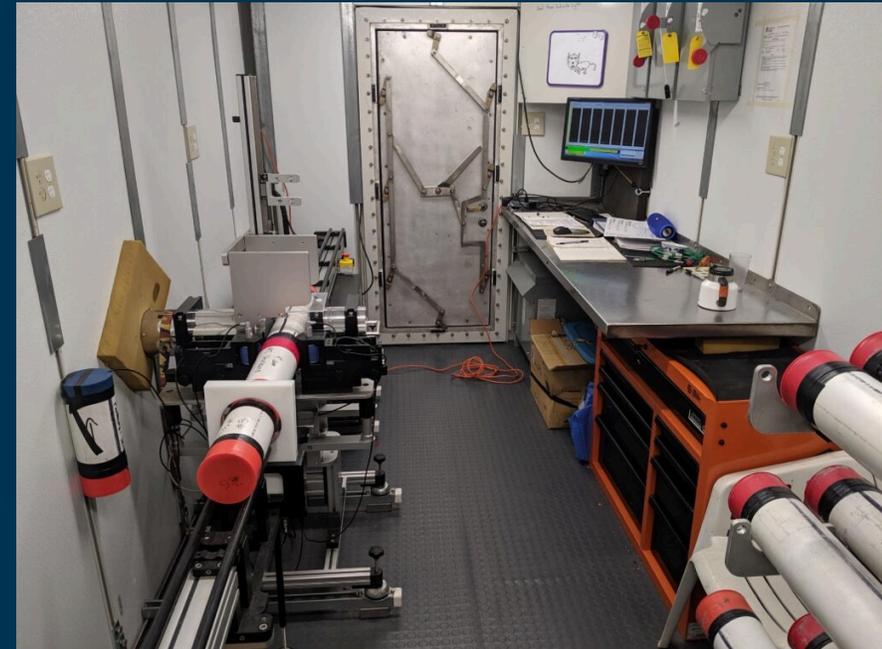


# Updates in 2021

- COVID-19 Impacts
- USCG regulations determination
- New Cold VAN (C-2)
- Hidex LSC's
- Projects accomplished

# COVID-19 impacts

- Scheduling challenges with ship schedule volatility.
- Shipping delays and uncertainty have created logistical challenges.
- Solutions
  - Working collaboratively between ECVP and WCVP
  - Utilizing other van's such as MARSSAM MST VAN



# Regulatory Policy

## USCG C2- 2003739 Provided, 19 Nov 2020

- Lab vans excluded from PAM requirements
  - If sailed on US flagged vessel certificated under Subchapter U
  - Van's can be used if installed in sheltered areas and are not staffed in heavy weather
  - OCMI has final authority
    - This letter should be provided to OCMI as reference.
- Letter forwarded to all Marine Superintendent on 1 Feb 2021 from UNOLS
- Berthing vans or PAMs are excluded from these rules and must be built to a higher standards.

# NEW COLD VAN



# Hidex 300 SL- Liquid Scintillation Counter (LSC)

Surveyed previous users

Reached out to users at WHOI and SCRIPPS

Worked with OSU Lab safety office regarding LSC's



# VAN Refurbishment



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