VAN POOL UPDATES

UNOLS RVOC Meeting, April 20th, 2022
West Coast Van Pool (WCVP)

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Recent Updates

• 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
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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QUESTIONS?
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