

APPENDIX XV

FTC AGENDA FOR NEXT THREE YEARS - The remainder of the meeting was spent in considerable discussion on the action items that the FIC would be addressing in the next three years. The letters with recommendations for FIC from Don Heinrichs, Ken Johnson, Joe Coburn and Marty Mulhem were all reviewed. It was decided to divide the agenda items into three priority categories immediate: mid-range and long term. An outline of these agenda items follows:

A. IMMEDIATE

1. Coastal Zone Research Vessel (CZRV) activity.
 - a. Scientific Mission Requirements
 - b. Primer on Small Research Vessels
 - c. Inventory of Small Research Vessels
 - d. Analysis: Assets, Capabilities, and Requirements
 1. Synthesis of Williamsburg Workshop Report
 2. Regional SMRs (types A, B, and C)
 3. Regional Inventory of Assets and Capabilities
 4. Regional Science Plans and Requirements
 5. Analysis of Assets/Capabilities Versus Plans/Requirements (ACTION: Completed - 1996)
2. Quantitative Analysis of Recent (3 to 10 year) R/V use by Ocean Region
3. Customer Satisfaction Survey Questionnaire (ACTION: Chris Mooers to revise, circulate to FIC for comment, and present to FIC Council at April meeting; aim for results by July FIC meeting.)
4. Chief scientists' responsibility for safety orientation, etc. (ACTION: Ad hoc subcommittee of Suzanne Strom, Chair, Peter Betzer, Joe Coburn, and Rich Findley to develop a point paper by July FIC meeting.)

B. MID-RANGE

1. Evaluation of NSF Inspection (ABSTECH) process. Does it need more teeth? (ACTION: Jack Bash discuss with Dick West and invite him to meet with FIC.)
2. Arctic Research Vessel oversight activity
3. Development of a long range science plan (especially for Class I/II vessels) in coordination with post-SFOFC activity.
4. Nuclear Submarine report and follow-up action (ACTION: Chris Mooers to call Garry Brass regarding moving forward.)
5. Use of UNOLS vessels as continuous data collection platforms (IMET/ ADCP/MULTIBEAM/etc.) (ACTION: Chris Mooers to contact Mel Briscoe, OES/NOS.)

C. LONG-TERM

1. Specialized Facility Oversight (FLIP/AUV/etc.)
2. Involvement in mid-life reviews for NEW HORIZON, CAPE HATTERAS, POINT SUR
3. Fleet Improvement Plan update by summer 1997
4. FIC oversight on new vessel acquisition (MARCO CZRV/ RSMAS Catamaran/SOEST SWATH plus University of Hawaii and University of Miami.) (ACTION: Ken Johnson to write letters.)
5. Joint effort with DESSC on ALVIN replacement.

The meeting was adjourned at 1530 hrs.