

901006 Benthic Event Detectors

Budgets

Phase 1 expense requests exceed available funds by more than \$700,000 and so a reduction of direct expenses during Phase 2 is necessary to balance our overall budget. Please review your budget requests to determine if any savings are possible, and if so revise your project budgets accordingly.

Software engineering requests also greatly exceed the number of hours available. Please ensure that any requests for software engineering time have been carefully scoped and, if possible, reduce these requests. Where applicable, prioritize software engineering tasks, and indicate in your response which tasks may be deferred or removed, if necessary, to enable balancing labor resources.

Additionally, requests for Rachel Carson days (both total days and extended days) exceed the available ship time. There is still some room in the Western Flyer schedule. Therefore, if applicable, please consider if Carson ship time requested in your project can be shifted to the Flyer. It is possible that one Flyer day may be available in exchange for two Carson days released by your project. Also consider how your project might combine ship days with other projects or cut down the number of ship days you have requested.

Finally, please be sure to update all budget changes (expense/labor/ship), as necessary, in the web budget system prior to the Phase 2 deadline.

Paragon

Certified operators are needed for the Paragon. If someone on your project team has completed training to operate the Paragon, please contact Jared Figurski or Eric Fitzgerald as soon as possible to finalize the certification.

Rating: 1

MT contact: Doug/Andy

Management Team Feedback

General Comments:

The management team supports the build out and testing of BEDs in 2014. The Wave Glider work is also supported.

Charlie Paull has been asked to adjust his portfolio of projects so they are spread over multiple years. One possible scenario is that the Coordinated Canyon Experiment will be postponed until 2015. If this happens, can milestones 4 and 5 be deferred to 2015?

For Phase 2 please address the following:

We would like to see a review of the processed suite of instrument data to ensure that the quality and integrity meet science requirements. See Andy Hamilton to arrange this.

Alana Sherman's time (300 hours) was requested in the proposal but not entered in the budget. Please add the necessary hours to the budget.

Adjust the labor and project budget requests as needed to accommodate Charlie's overall revised suite of project plans (e.g., if milestones 4 and 5 are deferred).