

901411 Wave Glider-based Communications Hot Spot

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.

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: 2

MT contact: Doug/Andy

Management Team Feedback

General Comments:

The entire software engineering request cannot be supported due to heavy requests across all projects. What are the priorities? It seems that BEDs data acquisition and integrating radio telemetry to shore are the highest priorities.

Can the Aerostat demonstration be deferred or done with a small boat or during LRAUV testing?

The LRAUV high data volume transfer should be deferred to a future year considering the extensive LRAUV developments proposed for 2014.

For Phase 2 please address the following:

Provide de-scoping options. We believe about 325 software engineering hours will be available for this effort.

Clarify the need for the acoustic modem. Can you make use of one already in house?