

2000/2001 Accomplishments and Activities

Access and Scheduling

- Completed Scheduling of all UNOLS vessels by early October ensuring that scientific objectives were used as the primary consideration in making decisions whenever possible. Some projects were deferred to 2003 in order to provide the appropriate platform and facilities.
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Continuous Quality Improvement

- Planning for implementation of ISM Compliance on large UNOLS Vessels.
 - HEALY science systems testing was conducted and the ship is now operating in the Arctic.
 - Started work on improvements to Post Cruise Assessment system and considered other methods for implementing formal continuous quality improvement programs.
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Plan for Future Facilities

- The community was alerted to the need for fleet renewal.
- UNOLS provided a community response to the draft FOFC Long-range Fleet plan.
- New vessels are under construction or in the planning process: KILO MOANA, SAVANNAH, ALPHA HELIX replacement and CAPE HENlopen replacement.
- Upgrade and Overhaul of the National Deep Submergence Facility: ALVIN Overhaul, DSL120A, and Jason II.
- Development of standard specifications for shipboard vans including US Coast Guard approved specifications.