

2006 Budget vs. Cost and Future Ship Time Initiatives

- Projected budgets are fairly close to projected 2006 scheduled operations.
 - Appropriations are not final
 - Fuel costs are big unknown with huge impact
- Ocean Observatories
- NOAA DART buoy support
- Navy budget plus up for FY06
- Etc?

UNOLS Action Items

- Further evaluation of budget impacts on long term utilization projections
- Additional analysis of delayed access to the sea and impact on seagoing science.