#### **RVTEC 2016**

# NSF West Coast Winch Pool operated by Scripps Institution of Oceanography





#### Winch Pool Mission

- To provide an inventory of oceanographic winches (etc.) for shared use.
- To keep the inventory in good repair, in compliance with applicable standards (CFR, RVSS).
- To modify the composition of the inventory to reflect the needs of end-users.
- To provide technical support: maintenance, repairs, design, engineering, fabrication, Q&A.

#### How the Pool Works

 Science parties conducting NSF-funded research generally incur no costs (freight included)

Others pay a "day rate" and the cost of freight

Routine maintenance paid for with day rates

All other expenses funded via NSF grant

#### **Funding**



- Routine Maintenance
  - Covered by the day rate for each winch
- Logistics (Shipping and Crane Service)
  - Expenses estimated annually and funds requested
- Engineering Services
  - Engineering design, analysis, MCD development, etc.; generally included in our annual proposal
- Upgrades & Repair
  - Major overhaul/repair items not part of routine maintenance;
    called-out separately in proposals
- Capital Equipment Purchases
  - Generally big ticket items; called-out separately in proposals

#### Personnel

- Management and Quality Control
  - Pool Manager: Capt. Eric Buck (part time, 20 %)
  - Winch/Wire Engineer: A. Davis, PE (full time)
- Mechanical
  - WP Technician: Lorenzo McCoy (as required)
    - Attends vessels for mob/de-mob of Dynacon deep sea traction winch
    - Occasional travel supporting other winches
    - Spooling services

#### Winch Pool Inventory (NSF-owned)

- 1 Dynacon traction winch (DTW)
- 1 Dynacon spooling winch (DSW) \*New\*
- 1 Lebus mooring capstan
- 3 TSE mooring spoolers
- 3 sets fiber optic slip rings



#### **Dynacon Traction Winch**

August 2014-Sept. 2016: leased to Fugro Pelagos to search for MH370.

Undergoing maintenance. Available soon.

(w/.680 cable. Remote operating station not shown.)







### Dynacon Spooling Winch

Formerly MBARI "MOOS" winch.

A mooring spooler.

(Remote operating station, HPU not shown)



#### **Lebus Mooring Capstan**

Heavily subscribed by OOI & Others (Remote operating station, wireless remote not shown)





#### **3 TSE Mooring Spoolers**

Our most highly requested asset.

Note: These are not oceanographic winches.

#### SIO Inventory

- 1 TSE mooring spooler
- 2 Light-duty winches (SeaMac, Poseidon)
- 2 Line spoolers (1960's vintage)
- 3 Line Tensioners
- Portable Crane
- HPU
- 1 SIO Tensioning Spooler \*New\*

#### SIO Inventory



### SeaMac, Poseidon Winches

Highly requested.

Reliable, but long in the tooth, not Appendix A&B friendly.

A replacement is in the works (funding requested).

#### SIO Inventory

#### Line Spoolers & Tensioners



Note: most of this equipment is 1960's vintage; no capability for precise level winding or tensioning.



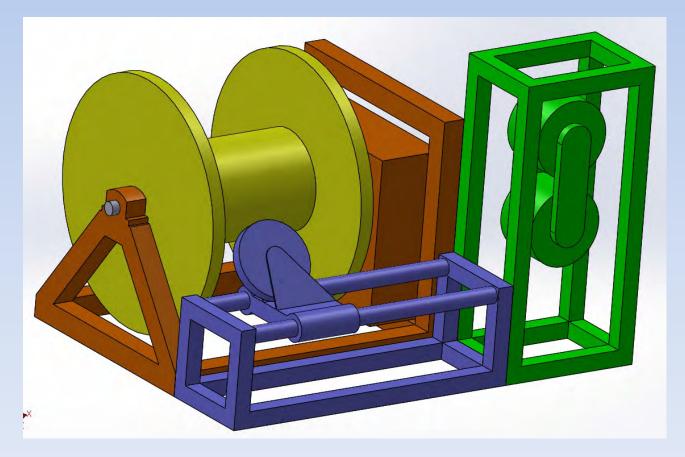




### SIO Tensioning Spooler

We've received funding from NSF under the Shipboard Scientific Support Equipment (SSSE) program for a tensioning spooler suitable for oceanographic wire and cable. Markey Machinery of Seattle Washington won the competition to design and build it. Currently conducting acceptance trials.

## SIO Tensioning Spooler





Concept





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#### **Current Projects**

- R/V Atlantis, Revelle, Sally Ride,
  Thompson(?), West-Coast Winch Pool:
  - Appendix B compliance.
- Tools for Appendix B compliance:
  - Tools for self-assessment
  - Templates
  - Examples
- Appendix B training.

#### Current Challenges Facing the Pool

- Maintaining a high state of readiness on a greater amount of equipment, providing high quality of service to a greater number of customers, with less maintenance staff.
- Providing engineering services to a broader population.
- Paving the way for fleet-wide appendix B compliance.

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