# Program Office Overview of the Ocean Observatories Initiative

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#### This Talk

- Science Areas, Science Traceability, and Baseline Design
- Cost and Schedule Summary
- Project Organization and Management Structure
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# Science Areas, Science Traceability, Baseline Design



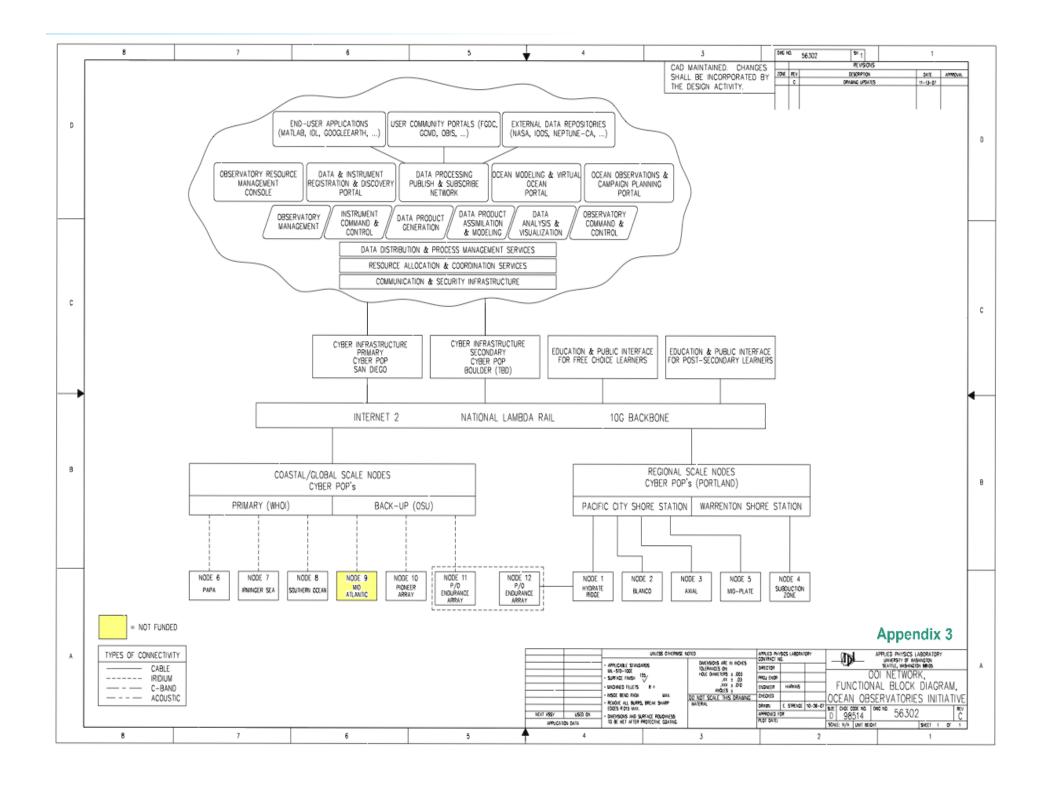
#### **OOI** Science Areas

- 1. Ocean-Atmosphere Exchange
- 2. Climate Variability, Ocean Circulation, and Ecosystems
- 3. Turbulent Mixing and Biophysical Interactions
- 4. Costal Ocean Dynamics and Ecosystems
- 5. Fluid-Rock Interaction and the Subseafloor Biosphere
- 6. Plate-scale and Ocean Geodynamics

# **Traceability Matrix**

A graphic representation showing the logical flow from high-level science questions to infrastructure elements

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Science Questions
 Processes to be observed
   Spatial Scale
      Temporal Scale
         Measurements Required
          Sensors Required (core sensors in bold font)
            Sampling Requirements
             Site(s) Required for Science
                Experiment Description –
                   infrastructure and capabilities
                   required to support measurements.
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- 3 Global scale nodes in Southern Ocean, Ocean Station Papa, Irminger Sea
- 5 Regional scale nodes in NE Pacific, cabled platescale observatory
- Coastal scale assets in Mid- Atlantic Bight shelfbreak (Pioneer Array) and NE Pacific continental slope (Endurance line)
- Each scale incorporates mobile assets
- Unifying cyberinfrastructure to allow adaptive sampling, custom observatory view, collaborative analysis
- Interfaces for education users





# Design Evolution since Conceptual Design Review (August 2006)



#### Design Steps since Conceptual Design Review

#### **Conceptual Design for CDR, August 2006**

- Consideration of financial constraints within OSC, Sept-Dec 2006
- Revised Conceptual Network Design Infrastructure Plan, March 2007
- NSF Proposed Changes and Community Comments, April 2007
- Tiger Team discussions, May/June 2007
- iOSC makes recommendations and Guiding Principles, June 2007
- Integrated Team Meetings begin, August 2007
- CGSN Ad Hoc Team report, October 2007
- Science Prospectus review, October 2007
- NSF Guidance of Baseline + Up-Scope, October 2007
- Final costing for Preliminary Network Design, November 2007
- iOSC considers Baseline Design, November 2007

Baseline Design and Up-Scope for PDR, November 2007

### iOSC Guiding Principles, June 2007

- Power and communications capabilities exceeding those of traditional ocean observing platforms are the leading transformative aspect of the OOI
- The OOI should emphasize fewer, more capable nodes over more numerous, less capable nodes (i.e. with traditional capability)
- A mix of fixed platform and mobile assets is needed to address the science goals of the OOI
- Integration across three scales (coastal, regional, global) should be exploited to the extent possible for appropriate science questions
- The OOI is a research platform that will enable future experiments / capabilities beyond those included in the initial configuration
- The OOI Network should achieve a balance between enabling science "out of the box," and designing infrastructure to support separately funded PI experiments

# Cost and Schedule Summary



# Schedule

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# Project Organization and Management Structure

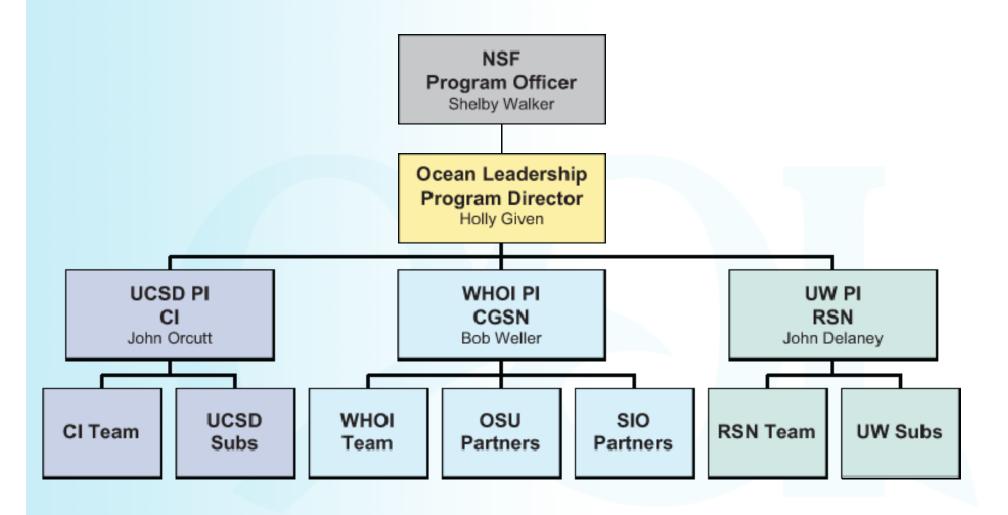


# Management Structure



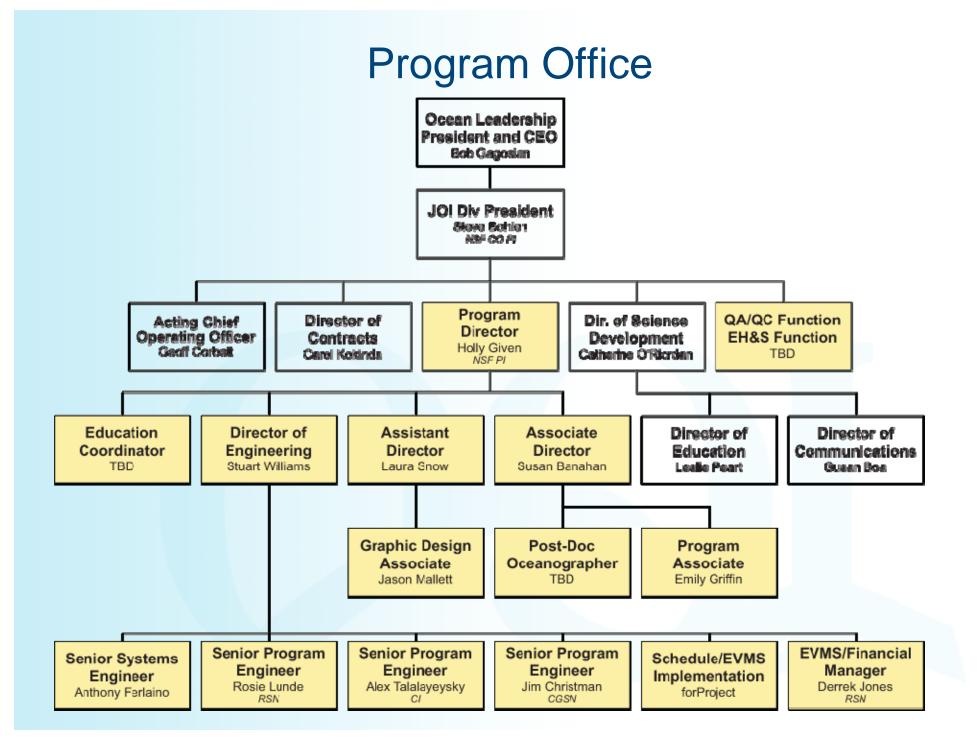
- University of Washington: Regional Scale Nodes: March 2007
- Univ of California San Diego: Cyberinfrastructure: May 2007
- Woods Hole Oceanographic Inst and partners: Coastal and Global Scale Nodes: August 2007

# Technical Responsibility

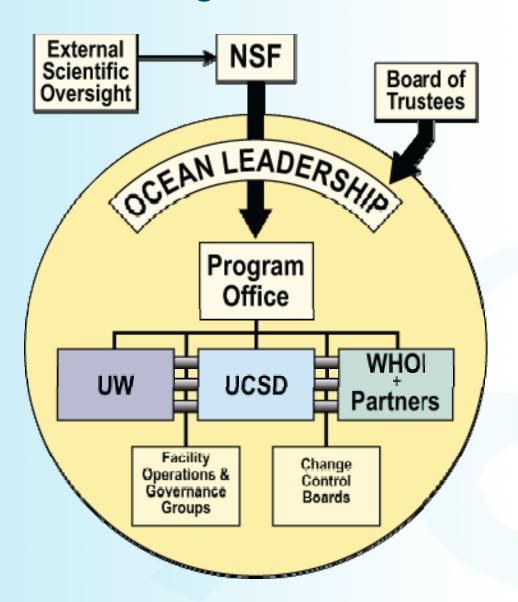


#### **IO** Subawards

- Reporting Requirements/Deliverables identified in Annual Work Plans
- Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR) monitors performance against deliverables
- Awards are incrementally funded; funding can be withheld if work is deficient or untimely
- IO performance is reported monthly to NSF
- After MREFC starts, COTRs will monitor variance against Planned Value



#### Management Structure Summary



- Encourages collaborative management
- Regular crosscutting meetings
- Approx 1/3 of advisory structure now within mgmt team

# **Advisory Structure**



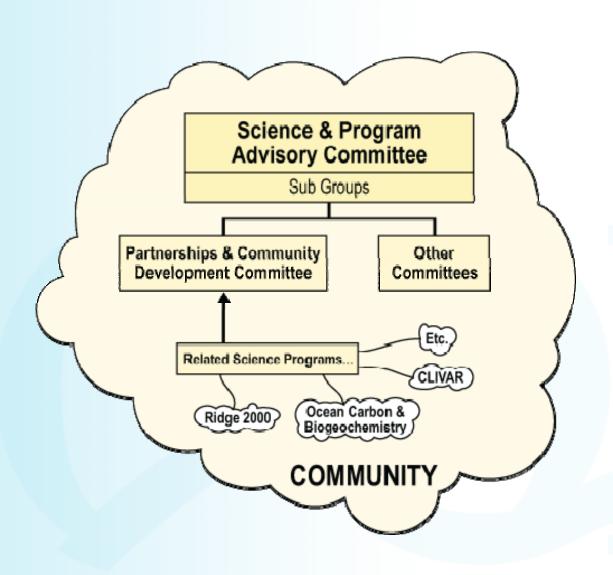
### **Advisory Structure**

- First phase of 6 committees, ~ 80 advisors brought the program through the conceptual design phase
- Project is transitioning to a new Advisory Structure for implementation phase
- Nominating Committee will be approved by NSF/OCE and Ocean Leadership Board; goal of first committee meetings in February
- Interim Observatory Steering Committee will remain constituted until then

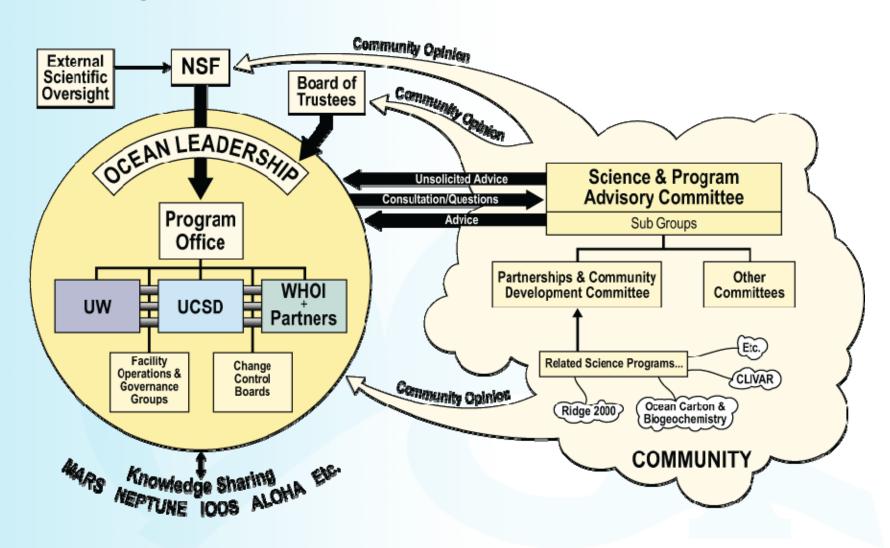
# Interim Observatory Steering Committee

- Antonio Baptista Oregon Health & Science University
- Suzanne Carbotte Lamont Doherty Earth Observatory
- Paula Coble University of South Florida
- Bob Cowen University of Miami
- Percy Donaghay University of Rhode Island
- Rick Jahnke Skidaway Institute of Oceanography
- Cindy Lee SUNY, Stony Brook
- Steven Lohrenz University of Southern Mississippi
- Doug Luther University of Hawaii
- Larry Mayer University of New Hampshire
- Mark Moline California Polytechnic
- Mary Jane Perry University of Maine
- Cisco Werner University of North Carolina
- Mairi Best Liaison, NEPTUNE Canada

#### Implementation-Phase Advisory Structure



#### Management and Advisory Structures



# **Engaging the Community**



#### Science Users

- The Partnerships and Community Development Committee will devise methods to broadly engage the science community
- Establish user group meetings
- Consider owners/agents for core sensors
- Develop up-scope study groups
- Plan for the most likely externally funded experiments
- Integrate the experience of MARS testbed, VENUS, and other observing systems

# **Education Planning**

- \$5M OOI MREFC funds designated for education infrastructure
- Use concepts from ORION EPAC Plan
- Develop interface for free-choice learners and post-secondary training
- In-kind contributions from IO's

#### Communications

- IOs and Program Office each have communications expertise
- Coordination by Program Office
- Consistent messaging and visual identity under development
- Outreach Website under development

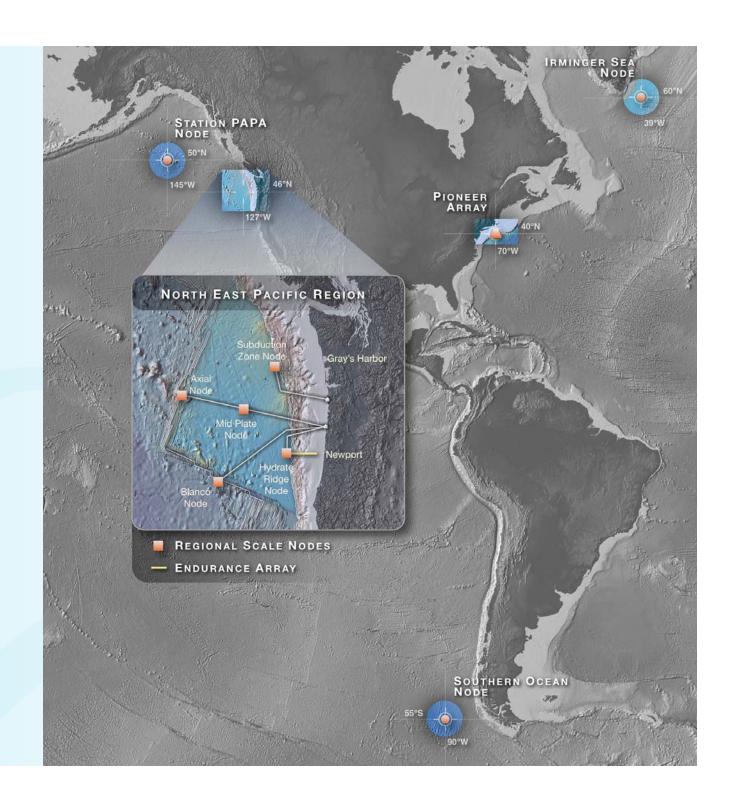


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- Stu Williams: Cost, Schedule, Network Integration
- IO Overview Presentations:
  - John Delaney and Pete Barletto: Regional Scale Nodes
  - Bob Weller and Libby Signell: Coastal and Global Scale Nodes
  - John Orcutt and Matthew Arrott: Cyberinfrastructure
- IO overviews will address:
  - Science drivers and infrastructure
  - Internal Management
  - Institutional Synergies
  - Cost and Schedule
  - Transition to O&M
- Rosie Lunde: Network Operations Plan







### iOSC views on Up-Scope Criteria

- Up-scope elements will maximize both incorporation of the science themes identified in the OOI Science Plan and the size of the research community benefiting from the inclusion
- The anticipated scientific impact will be significant relative to the up-scope investment (e.g., a small additional investment in OOI infrastructure will likely result in a disproportionately large research benefit)
- The balance between near-term research success versus long-term vision will be maintained by the inclusion of upscope elements
- Inclusion of up-scope elements will improve the OOI's capacity to provide observations that integrate across broad time and space scales