







**GLASS – Great Lakes Association of Science Ships** 

29th Annual Science Vessel Coordination Workshop Agenda - Great Wolf Lodge - White Pine Ballroom (A & B) Thursday, January 9, 2025 • 7:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (EST)

7:45 a.m.		Continental Breakfast	White Pine Ballroom A&B
8:15 a.m.	1	Welcome and Introductions – Review Workshop Agenda	Tom Crane, GLC and Mark Burrows, IJC
8:30 a.m.	2	Updates from the 2024 Science Vessel Workshop and Science Support and Fleet Assessment Workshop  a. Training needs and opportunities b. Intra and Interagency Agreements c. Updated Fact Sheet/Brochure: common talking points for the Great Lakes Fleet modernization and enhancement d. Updated Science Vessel Action Plan	Tom Crane, Mark Burrows, Dennis Donahue and Tyler Chapman
9:30 a.m.	3	Progress toward developing a Great Lakes binational science plan  a. Tri-Commission partnership on science planning  b. Importance of science vessels in science planning  i. Fleet modernization  ii. Workforce development  iii. Agency/community engagement  c. Upcoming goals/milestones  i. Recent/upcoming workshops  ii. Draft plan (IAGLR 2025)  iii. Final plan (Fall 2025)	Mark Burrows and/or Heather Stirratt, IJC and representative from Limnotech, Inc. (invited)
10:15 a.m.	4	Break	
10:30 a.m.	5	Lessons from the University-National Oceanographic Laboratory System (UNOLS)  a. Overview/history of UNOLS b. Research Vessels Operations Committee (RVOC) I. Small Research Vessel Compendium II. Small Research Vessel Inventory c. Research Vessel Technical Enhancement Committee (RVTEC)	Speakers TBD Doug Ricketts, UM-Duluth, Blue Heron (invited)
11:15 a.m.	6	Autonomous Vehicle and Smart Ships Coalition Update  Priorities for deployment and use of AUVs  I. Data and information sharing needs  II. Deployment and use of ASVs/AUVs  III. Communications needs  Inventory of AUVs  Underwater survey updates	Travis White and Jamey Anderson, MTU
12:00 Noon	7	Lunch (provided) – Presentation: University of Michigan Research Vessel Carbon Footprint Project	Dennis Donahue, NOAA
1:15 p.m.	8	Collaborative Benthic Habitat Mapping Project	NOAA, speaker TBD
1:45 p.m.	9	Around the Lakes: short updates and lessons learned regarding vessel operations, shipyard and drydock experiences and research coordination	Brandon Bastar moderator: various presenters TBD
2:45 p.m.	10	Workshop Wrap Up and Action Items  ➤ Collaboration opportunities in 2025-2026  ➤ New partnerships	Tom Crane, GLC, Mark Burrows, IJC
3:00 p.m.	11	Adjourn	