GLASS – Great Lakes Association of Science Ships

30th Annual Science Vessel Coordination Workshop Agenda Park Place Hotel, Traverse City, MI Thursday, January 8, 2026 • 7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (EST)

Meeting Link: Join the meeting now

7:30 a.m.		Continental Breakfast & Registration	Grandview II
8:15 a.m.	1	Welcome and Introductions – Review Workshop Agenda	Amanda Grimm & Mary Sabuda, GLC and John Wilson, IJC
8:25 a.m.	2	Updates from the 2025 Science Vessel Workshop and Science Support & Fleet Assessment Webinar	Amanda Grimm & Mary Sabuda, GLC
8:45 a.m.	3	Coordination on large interagency projects NOAA Lake Ontario Sanctuary Shipwreck Mapping Survey aboard EPA R/V Lake Guardian Benthic mapping project GLATOS	Jeff Gray, Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary (invite) and Eric Osantowski, EPA Hayden Henderson, MTU (invite) Tom Binder, GLFC (invite)
10:00 a.m.	4	Break	
10:15 a.m.	5	Ontario presentation on activities	TBD
10:30 a.m.	7	 Great Lakes R/V science R/V Thomas Jefferson In-Depth Survey of Lakes 2024 + 2026 R/V Blue Heron Lake Superior Ecological Observatory Mooring Maintenance R/V Blue Heron Ship Goo 	Dennis to find presenter (remote) Doug Ricketts, U Minn (invite) Cody Sheik, U Minn (invite)
11:30 a.m.	8	Lunch – All Too Clear clip? Fish thief, Great Lakes Science Clip, PBS Detroit Great Lakes	Grandview I
12:30 p.m.	9	30 Years of GLASS: Strategic Planning Discussion (Mentimeter) - History of GLASS - Vessel Action Plan	Moderator: Chris Winslow, OSU (invite) Panel: Brandon Bastar, WDNR Joe Walters, USGS Dennis Donahue, NOAA
1:30 p.m.	10	Discovery Pier & Freshwater Center Project Update	Matt McDonough, Freshwater Research and Innovation Center
2:00 p.m.	11	Around the Lakes: short updates and lessons learned regarding vessel operations, shipyard and drydock experiences and research coordination	Moderator: Brandon Bastar, WDNR
2:55 p.m.	12	Workshop Wrap Up and Action Items ➤ Collaboration opportunities in 2026-2027 ➤ New partnerships	Amanda Grimm & Mary Sabuda, GLC and John Wilson, IJC
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