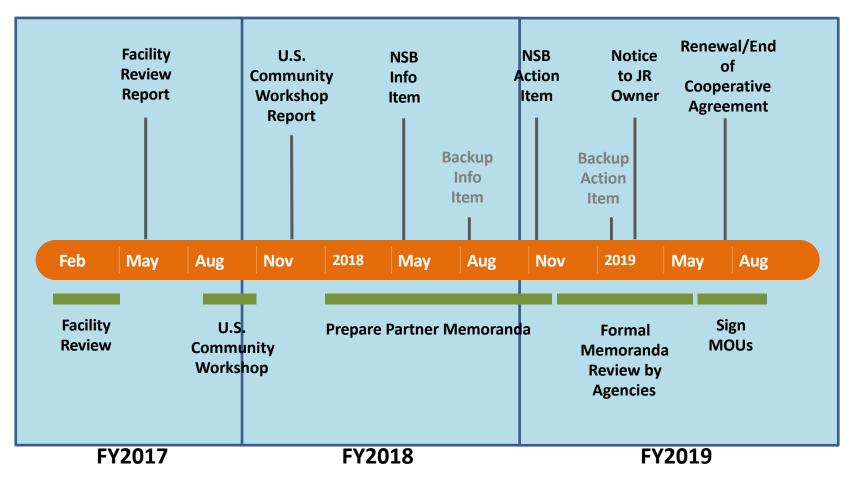
NSF Report

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FY2017 Budget

- Positive Financial Situation
- FY2017 Fiscal Guidance to JRSO was \$62.5M
 - Initially for 8 months operations
 - 10 months ops now planned at \$64.2M
- Expected FY2017 International Contributions to JR Operations
 - \$14.8M base contributions
 - \$12M CPP contributions (\$6M available for support of future JR Ops)
- NSF goal is for 10 months/year JR operations through FY2019
 - JRFB has now scheduled 5 expeditions (10 months) of FY17 and 18

Next Phase of IODP



US Community Workshop Goals:

- Prioritize Challenges from US perspective
- Evaluation of effectiveness of JR (as a facility) toward achieving Science Plan Challenges
- How Essential is JR toward meeting remainder of Science Plan Challenges

Next Phase of IODP 2019 -2023

- NSF goal remains at 10 months/year for JR operations
- Partner contributions to increase to 1/3 of JR operation expenses
- CPP costs will most certainly increase
 - Currently at \$6M/expedition
 - Increase to \$8M?
- JR100 operations likely during tie-up periods

JR Staffing

Through current phase

- In response to Sea Change recommendations, NSF instructed the JRSO to increase U.S. Science Party Members from 8 to 10 on JR Expeditions
- Those staffed under the Onboard Outreach Program are considered members of the Expedition Science Party, with publishing responsibilities
 - included in the 10-person staffing figure for US

Post 2019

 All Onboard Outreach Program participants will be considered within partner shipboard staffing quotas

JR100 Program

- Program utilizing non-IODP NSF funds to conduct coring up to 100 mbsf for ~2-4 weeks during JR tie-up periods

 In geographic area of tie-up port
- Takes into consideration deeper coring needs by US community, the lack of long coring capability in US, and availability of JR
- 100 meter limit set by environmental assessment issues -- Deeper penetration considerations initiate EA concerns (drilling vs coring)
- Coring period determined after JRFB sets the schedule
- Non-IODP NSF funding include include NSF Ship Operations Program and Science Programs
- Science staffing similar to typical UNOLS cruise
 - -- Extent of science staffing and core processing dependent on science requirements and funding