

ORION OOI Timeline

Possible Independent Operators (IO):

*Regional Cabled
Observatories

*Global Observatories

*East Coast and West Coast
coastal observatories

*Cyberinfrastructure

Activity	Start	Finish
Draft RFP for IO	8/15/05	9/30/05
JOI Board	10/3/05	
ESC	10/17/05	
Release RFP	11/1/05	
Preparation of responses	11/1/05	3/3/06
Evaluation Committee	3/6/06	3/31/06
Eval Committee meets	4/3/06	
Results to ORION Office	4/10/06	
JOI and NSF approve	4/10/06	4/21/06
Awards announced	5/1/06	
Contract negotiated by JOI	5/1/06	5/31/06
IO's hire staff	5/1/06	7/31/06
IO's assist in PEP	6/1/06	9/29/06
IO's hold Concept Design Reviews	11/15/06	
IO's finalize scope of work and develop procurement plans for construction	6/1/06	1/26/07
IO's hold Preliminary Design Reviews	6/1/07	
IO's finalize design requirements and develop procurement RFP's	1/29/07	9/28/07
IO's issue procurement RFP's	10/15/07	

OOI = Ocean Observatories Initiative
IO = Independent Operators
PEP = Program Execution Plan



Post Appropriation Tasks

Activity	Start	Finish
PEP Reviewed	11/13/06	12/8/06
PEP revised and construction proposal to NSF	12/11/06	2/16/07
Construction proposal submitted to NSF	2/16/07	
Construction proposal reviewed	2/19/07	4/13/07
Revisions to construction proposal	4/16/07	5/2/07
GEO review	5/2/07	
Preparing DRB package	5/3/07	6/4/07
Director's Review Board	6/4/07	
NSB material prepared	6/4/07	7/2/07
NSB mailout	7/2/07	
NSB meeting to approve	8/9/07	
Award and negotiation with NSF	8/13/07	9/28/07

DRB = Director's Review Board (NSF)

NSB = National Science Board

