



# EXPLORE

## Considerations for a National Ocean Exploration Program

## *Considerations for a National Program*

- 2000 President's Panel Report
  - *Defines the attributes of a national program*
  - *Calls for such a program*
- 2004 U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy Report
- Public Law 111-11
  - *Defines a national program*
  - *Defines NOAA's role*
- National Ocean Policy – reinforces the continuing importance of ocean exploration

# *Perspectives on a National Program*

- What contribution can you make to a coordinated national ocean exploration program?
- How would a national ocean exploration program benefit you?
- What would allow you to partner with NOAA more effectively in support of a national ocean exploration program?
- How can we together define, reinforce and encourage a viable national program?
- How do you envision a national exploration program should look in 5-10 years?

# *Perspectives on a National Program*

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