

URC Notable Changes

- Preliminary Design Review
 - December 1st
 - Team structure
 - Resources
 - Project management plan
 - Gantt chart
 - Initial budget
 - Recruiting and educational outreach
- System acceptance review
 - March 2nd
 - System design
 - Progress to-date of the final system
 - Both video and written elements
- Final expense report
 - May 21st
- \$17,500
 - Now includes all base station equipment (monitors, controllers, antennas)
 - Shipping and taxes should be included
- Soil sampling
 - Select sites based off of biological importance (not geological)
 - Lab analysis must include 1 life detection method
 - Discussion with judges
 - Habitability
 - Demonstrate knowledge of mars based on judges questions.
- Retrieval and delivery
 - Teams may not pre-survey course
- Autonomous traversal tasks
 - Divided into levels of difficulty called legs
 - When a rover reaches the marker it needs to visually indicate that it is where it should be and send a signal to the basestation