Gateway Update



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"Lead an innovative and sustainable program of exploration with commercial and international partners to enable human expansion across the solar system and to bring back to Earth new knowledge and opportunities.

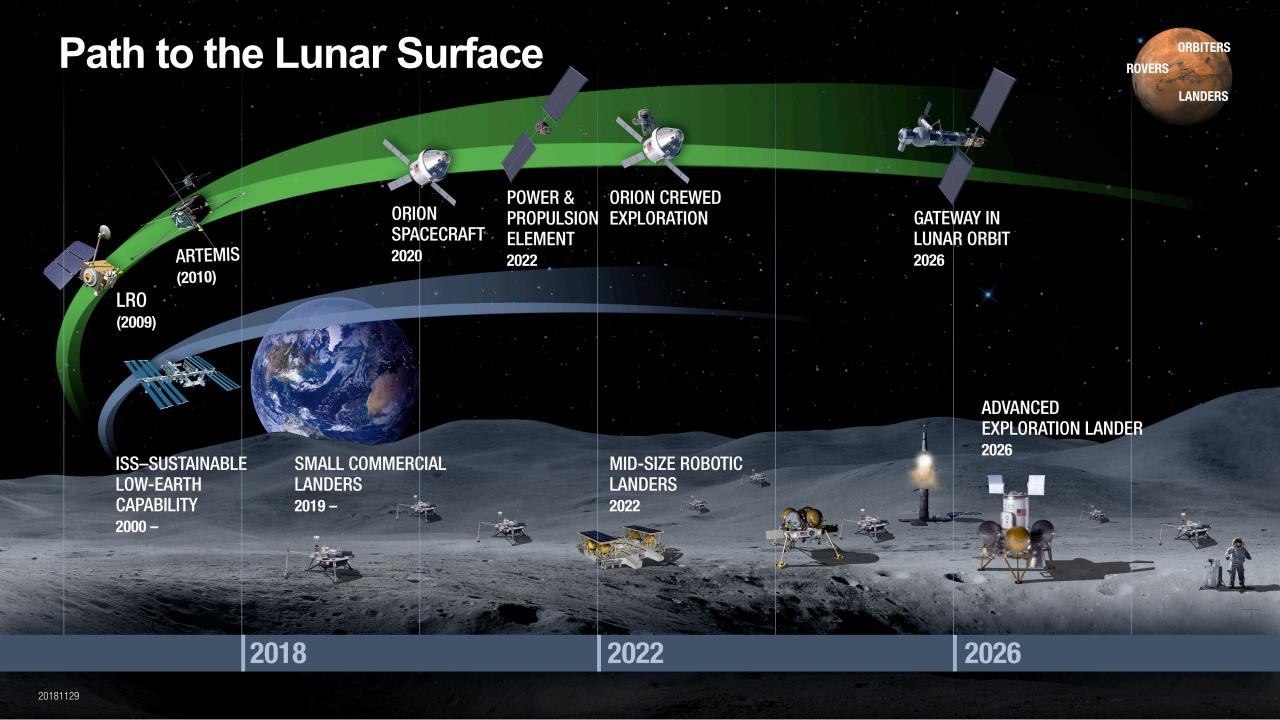
Beginning with missions beyond low-Earth orbit, the United States will lead the return of humans to the Moon for long-term exploration and utilization, followed by human missions to Mars and other destinations."

Strategic Principles for Human Spaceflight





Fiscal Realism | Commercial & International Partnerships | Scientific Exploration
Technology Pull and Push | Gradual Buildup of Capability
Architecture Openness and Resilience
Global Collaboration and Leadership | Continuity of Human Spaceflight



International Interoperability Standards

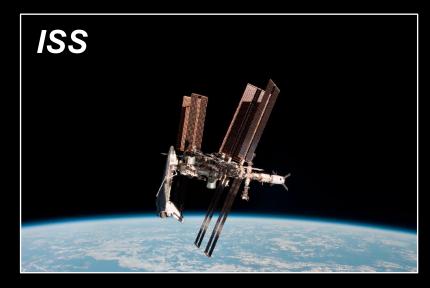




- Avionics
- Communications
- Environmental Control and Life Support Systems

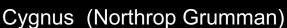
- Power
- Rendezvous
- Robotics
- Thermal
- Coming Soon: Software

Open Architecture Creates Opportunity



COMMERCIAL CARGO & CREW







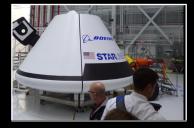
Dragon (SpaceX)



Dream Chaser (SNC)



Crew Dragon (SpaceX)



Starliner (Boeing)

INTERNATIONAL



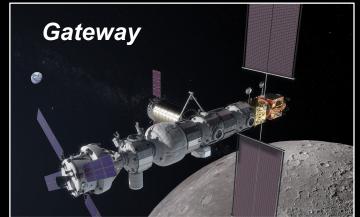
Soyuz & Progress (Roscosmos)



H-II Transfer Vehicle (JAXA)



Orion/European Service Module (ESA)



Lunar Surface

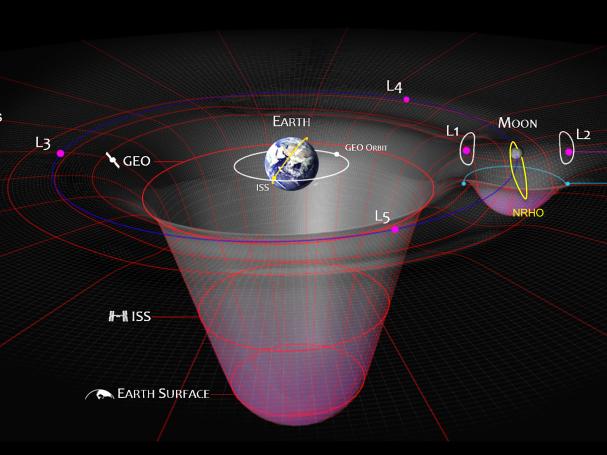
Multiple providers expected in lunar orbit and on the surface

Cislunar Space: A Deep Space Harbor for Exploration Missions



LOCATION

- Only ~3 to 5 days away from Earth yet farther than Apollo went
- Ideal mission aggregation location
 - Lunar Surface, Mars and Asteroids all accessible for less than 2.5 km/sec
 - Cryogenic oxygen & hydrogen used to inject to cis-lunar without requiring ZBO
- The next "high ground" beyond GEO
 - L2 Lunar far-side science
 - L1 Earth observations
 - All cis-lunar low latency teleoperations of lunar assets
- Access to local resources (ISRU)
 - Lunar gravity assists
 - Lunar surface volatiles
 - Asteroidal material
- Accessible by NASA, commercial, and international launch systems



ENVIRONMENT

- True deep space radiation environment
 - Similar to Mars system & transit there
 - No van Allen belts
 - Benign orbital debris environment
- Minimal station keeping requirements
- Some stable orbits
- Orbital phasing and transfer for minimal energy
- Infrequent/avoidable eclipse periods
- Thermal environment compatible with cryogenic oxygen and methane

Human Lunar Lander Development

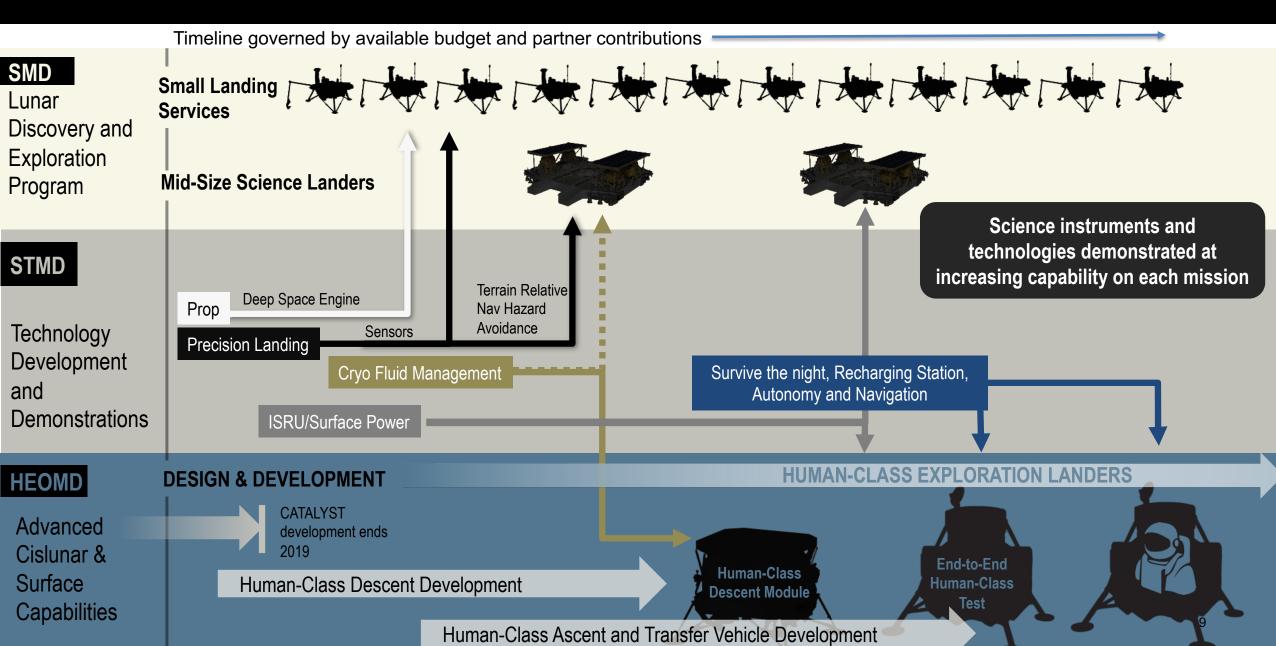


Under the requested funding for Advanced Cislunar and Surface Capabilities (ACSC) will, along with other Exploration Campaign activities, re-establish U.S. preeminence to, around, and on the Moon

Human Lunar Lander funding will invest with industry providers, purchase landed services to test sub-systems, and use innovative acquisition approaches to enable U.S. commercial capabilities to be leveraged toward human exploration of the lunar surface, and will also partner with international partners as appropriate in this endeavor.

The first planned demonstration is 2024 with at least one human-class descent element flight test.

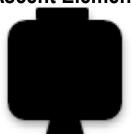
Lunar Transportation Technology Development



Three Stage Lunar Architecture (Planning/Notional)

Approach driven by available launch vehicles and physics

Ascent Element



- Based at Gateway
- Reusable & Refuellable
- Carries a crew of 4

Approx. Delta-v 2,850 m/s

Target Wet Mass 9 mT to 12 mT

Descent Element



Performs descent propulsion
Serves as a cargo lander

Approx. Delta-v 2,000 m/s

Target Wet Mass 15 mT to 16 mT

Transfer Vehicle



- Transfers ascent, descent elements (if applicable) from Gateway orbit to lower orbit for landing
- Potential for reusability
- Could be provided as a commercial service

Approx. Delta-v 850 m/s

Target Wet Mass 12 mT to 15 mT

Other Benefits

Phased Development

- Spreads costs evenly, achieving capabilities for landing science and exploration lunar payloads in support of future crewed missions.
- Human rating requirements are minimal on the upfront developments, as the ascent element with its full abort capability at any crewed mission phase addresses many of the human rating requirements.

Partnering Opportunities

- Smaller element, enable easier point of entry now and in the future for both commercial and international partners, as long as interoperability standards are established.
- Industry partners can move ahead faster with the capabilities they want to build, while NASA builds and sustains unique competencies related to deep space human systems on the ascent element.

Multi-use Systems

- Elements (or their copies) can be applied to other missions to increase payloads or reduce transportation times (deep space rendezvous with tug for outerplanet missions, satellite maneuvering in GEO vicinity, etc.)
- Possible alternate crewed cislunar missions include NEO rendezvous, L4/L5 tour to observe small objects, or L1/L2 missions to deploy or service remote sensing systems.
- The lunar elements may be partially or fully applicable to aspects of future Mars missions (common ascent systems, etc.)

A review of Delta-v of Using Gateway vs. Direct to Moon

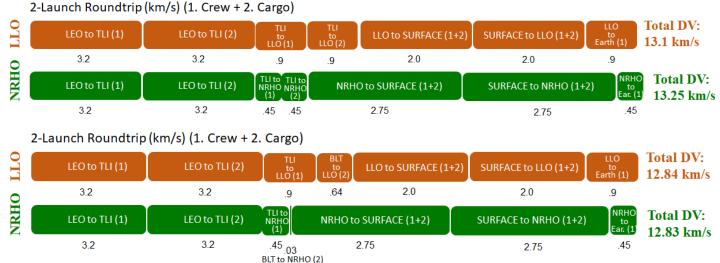


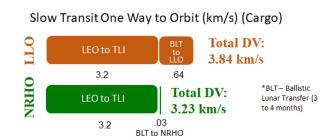


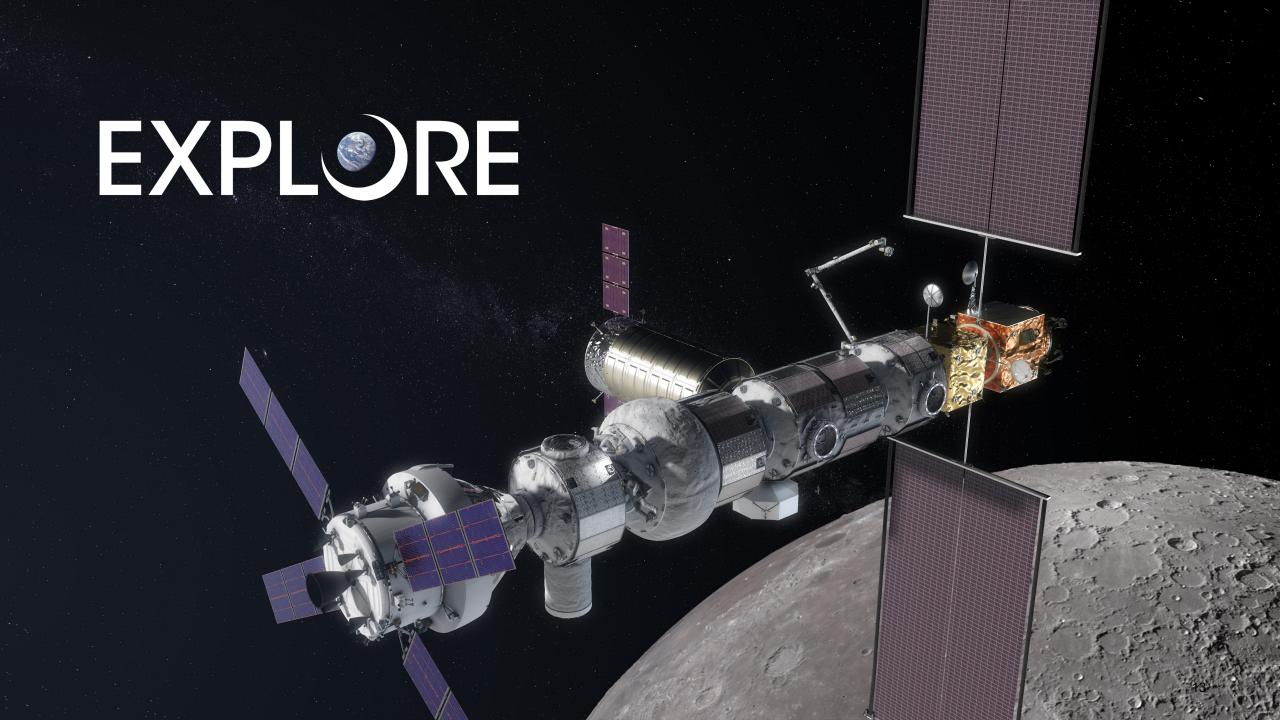
- Fast one way transits to the surface incur about .3 km/s penalty to go through Gateway as opposed to LLO (4.9% of total).
- Round trip transits where everything is delivered fast on a single launch incur about .6 km/s penalty (6.7% of total).



- Round trip fast transits for 2 launches incur only a .15 km/s penalty (1.1% of total).
- Round trip transits for 2 launches where cargo is delivered on ballistic lunar transfer incurs 0 km/s penalty (0% of total).







Gateway Objectives

NASA shall establish a Gateway to enable a sustained presence around and on the Moon and to develop and deploy critical infrastructure required for operations on the lunar surface and at other deep space destinations.

- The Gateway shall be utilized to enable human crewed missions to cislunar space including capabilities that enable surface missions. (*Crewed Missions*)
- The Gateway shall provide capabilities to meet scientific requirements for lunar discovery and exploration, as well as other science objectives. (Science Requirements)
- The Gateway shall be utilized to enable, demonstrate and prove technologies that are enabling for Lunar missions and that feed forward to Mars as well as other deep space destinations. (*Proving Ground & Technology Demonstration*)
- NASA shall establish industry and international partnerships to develop and operate the Gateway. (Partnerships)

GATEWAY A spaceport for human and robotic exploration of the Moon and beyond





Astronaut support and teleoperations of surface assets.

U.S. AND INTERNATIONAL CARGO RESUPPLY

Expanding the space economy with supplies delivered aboard partner ships that also provide interim spacecraft volume for additional utilization.

INTERNATIONAL CREW

International crew expeditions for up to 30 days as early as 2024. Longer expeditions as new elements are delivered to the Gateway.

SCIENCE AND TECH DEMOS

Support payloads inside, affixed outside, freeflying nearby, or on the lunar surface. Experiments and investigations continue operating autonomously when crew is not present.

SIX DAYS TO ORBIT THE MOON

The orbit keeps the crew in constant communication with Earth and out of the Moon's shadow.

A HUB FOR FARTHER DESTINATIONS

From this orbit, vehicles can embark to multiple destinations: The Moon, Mars and beyond.

■ SAMPLE RETURN

Pristine samples robotically delivered to the Gateway for safe processing and return to Earth.

COMMUNICATIONS RELAY

Data transfer for surface and orbital robotic missions and high-rate communications to and from Earth.

GATEWAY SPECS



50 kW Solar Electric Propulsion



4 Crew Members



30-90 Day Crew Missions



125 m³ Pressurized Volume



Up to 75 mt with Orion docked



384,000 km from Earth

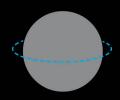
Accessible via NASA's SLS as well as international and commercial ships.



GATEWAY ORBIT

Cislunar space offers innumerable orbits for consideration, each with merit for a variety of operations. The Gateway will support missions to the lunar surface and serve as a staging area for exploration farther into the solar system, including Mars.

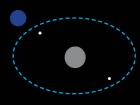
ORBIT TYPES



LOW LUNAR ORBITS

Circular or elliptical orbits close to the surface.
Excellent for remote sensing, difficult to maintain in gravity well.

» Orbit period: 2 hours



DISTANT RETRO-GRADE ORBITS

Very large, circular, stable orbits. Easy to reach from Earth, but far from lunar surface.

» Orbit period: 2 weeks



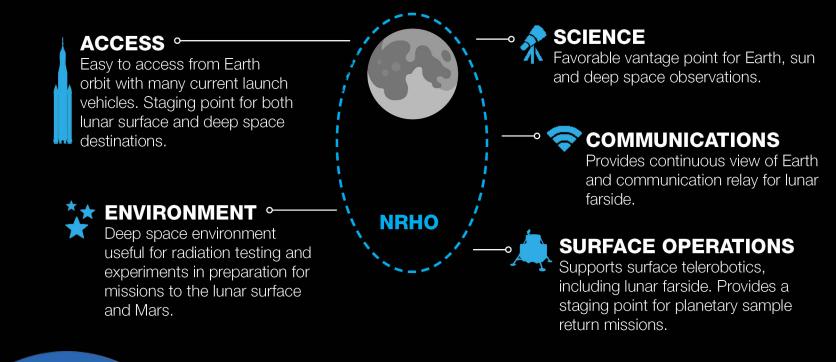
HALO ORBITS

Fuel-efficient orbits revolving around Earth-Moon neutral-gravity points.

» Orbit period: 1-2 weeks

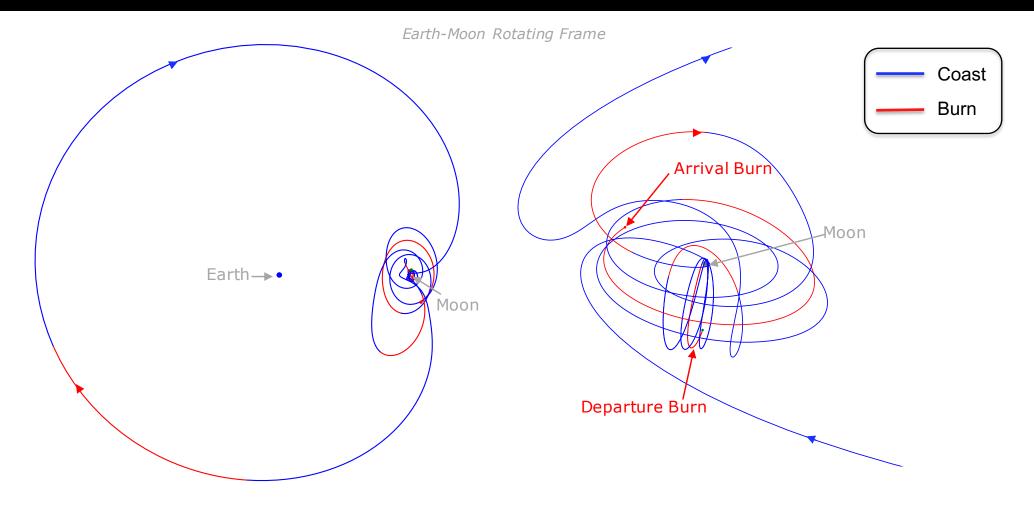
NEAR-RECTILINEAR HALO ORBIT (NRHO)

1,500 km at its closest to the lunar surface, 70,000 km at its farthest.



DRO Transfer (1-way)





Xe Mass (kg)	TOF (days)	SEP ΔV (m/s)
135	156	85

Note: Margin Not Included

Power and Propulsion Element:

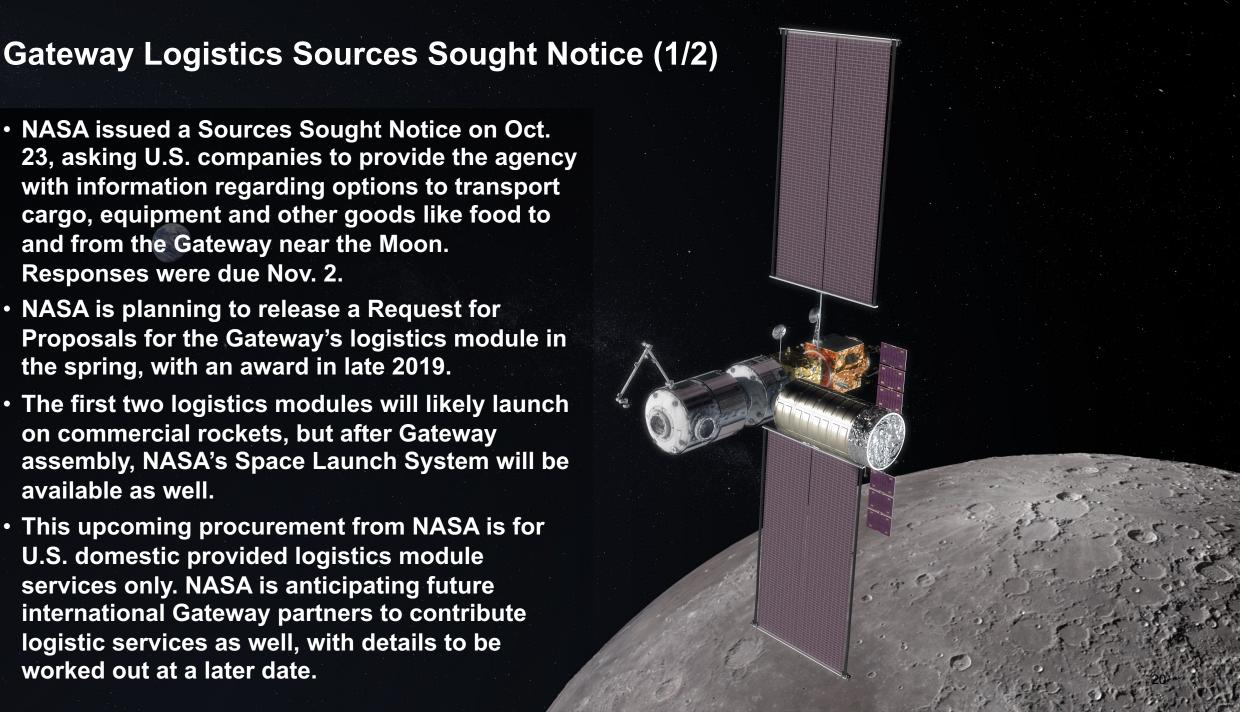
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First Module in Lunar Orbit for Gateway

- 2022 launch on partner-provided commercial rocket
- 50 kW class spacecraft with 40 kW class electric propulsion (EP) system
- Power transfer to other gateway elements
- Passive docking using International Docking Systems Standard (IDSS) compliant interface
- Capability to move gateway to multiple lunar orbits
- Orbit control for gateway stack
- Communications with Earth, visiting vehicles, and initial communications support for lunar surface systems
- 2t class xenon EP propellant capacity, refuelable for both chemical and xenon propellants
- Accommodations for utilization payloads
- 15 year life
- NASA issued a synopsis for a Spaceflight Demonstration of a Power and Propulsion Element in Feb. 2018. Draft Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) issued July 2018. Final BAA released Sept. 6, 2018. Proposals received Nov. 15. Selections targeted for early 2019.

 NASA issued a Sources Sought Notice on Oct. 23, asking U.S. companies to provide the agency with information regarding options to transport cargo, equipment and other goods like food to and from the Gateway near the Moon. Responses were due Nov. 2.

- NASA is planning to release a Request for Proposals for the Gateway's logistics module in the spring, with an award in late 2019.
- The first two logistics modules will likely launch on commercial rockets, but after Gateway assembly, NASA's Space Launch System will be available as well.
- This upcoming procurement from NASA is for U.S. domestic provided logistics module services only. NASA is anticipating future international Gateway partners to contribute logistic services as well, with details to be worked out at a later date.



Gateway Logistics Sources Sought Notice (2/2)

- 1. Describe preference between an acquisition using contract by negotiations procedures (Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 15), commercial acquisition procedures (FAR Part 12) and one conducted via a broad agency announcement (BAA) (FAR Part 35) [i.e., Commercial Resupply Services-2 commercial approach versus the Gateway Power Propulsion Element BAA approach].
- 2. Describe the effect on pricing if more than one contract is awarded. How many logistic missions are needed on contract to meet anticipated business case?
- 3. Should the Gateway Logistics Services be split into two separate acquisitions, one for the Logistics Module and one for the launch services? Why or why not?
- 4. Identify significant technical and cost drivers associated with providing the logistic service (e.g. target launch date, interoperability standards, human rating requirements, NASA standards, etc.). Are there any commercial approaches which may mitigate these concerns while maintaining the requisite level of Gateway safety?
- 5. Summarize the cost, schedule, and technical challenges associated with the Logistics Module performing functions in support of the other Gateway elements (e.g., providing and/or receiving power, attitude control, orbital adjustment, communications, environmental control/life support, etc.).
- 6. Are there any impacts in requiring an ability to manifest on multiple launch vehicles to include a co-manifested configuration on SLS?

NextSTEP-2: Deep Space Habitation Prototypes

Five full-sized ground prototypes will be delivered for testing in 2019. A sixth company, NanoRacks, is conducting a feasibility study and is under final negotiations to also deliver a ground prototype.

Lockheed Martin Denver, CO



Refurbishes Heritage Hardware

Northrop Grumman Dulles, VA



Builds on proven cargo spacecraft development

AerospaceLas Vegas, NV



Expandable

Boeing Pasadena, TX



Leverages Existing Technologies

Sierra Nevada Louisville, CO



Modular Buildup

NanoRacks Louisville, CO



Converted Centaur upper stages

Gateway Science Workshop – February 2018

220 Investigations discussed

300 Attendees from government, academia, industry, international partners

5-20

Minutes per abstract in the areas of:

- Heliophysics
- Earth Science
- Astrophysics & Fundamental Physics
- Lunar & Planetary
- Life Sciences and Space Biology

Cross-cutting discussions were conducted on the topics of orbits, human exploration, potential future capabilities, space weather, external instruments, samples, telerobotics and leveraging infrastructure, internal instruments.

TOP TAKEAWAYS

Externally mounted payloads benefit from precise pointing and long-duration stare capability. "Witness plates" can collect samples from comets, solar winds, interstellar particles, and near-Earth objects. Additional transportation infrastructure would boost lunar science opportunities.

- Gateway science will generate large amounts of data.
- NRHO offers unique opportunities for Earth, heliophysics, lunar science, and astrophysics and fundamental physics investigations.
- The radiation environment can provide important data regarding the effects of radiation on biological organisms and materials.
- The presence of an external robotic arm opens up many more science opportunities, and the ability to deliver some science instruments in vacuum is beneficial.
- Contamination concerns exist for payloads passing from the outside to or through the inside of the Gateway.
- Coordination with international partners is critical in developing the allocation of science resources to avoid duplication. Multi-use, flexible and configurable analysis equipment and automation of internal payload interactions will relieve data loads.
- The Gateway's radio frequency noise should be considered and limited when possible, to reduce interference with the far side of the Moon's unique radio science environment.

Formulation Sync Review (FSR) Kickoff Summary



- Gateway conducted a kickoff for a Systems Requirement Review (SRR) equivalent review called FSR, Sept 10-13, 2018 in Orlando, FL
- Purpose was to evaluate whether the functional and performance requirements defined for the system are responsive to requirements and represent achievable capabilities
- Throughout 2018, Gateway has been developing the products and processes necessary for a Program SRR review
- The FSR included independent assessment via an Independent Review Team (IRT)
- Prior to the kickoff, Gateway held an internal readiness assessment and conducted a readiness to proceed checkpoint with the IRT
- The kickoff was built around demonstrating that entrance and success criteria have been met
- Forward work includes conducting table top reviews with the IRT, closing actions, addressing Requests for Action (RFAs)

Snapshot Status of FSR Kick-Off:

- 39 Presentations
- 36 FSR Products
- 40 Reference Products
- 14 pre-declared RFAs

Gateway Milestones



- ✓ September 6: PPE Final Solicitation Released
- ✓ September 9: Schedule TIM with International Partners
- ✓ September 10-14: FSR Kickoff
- ✓ October 2 5: International Habitat Technical Interchange Meeting (TIM) @ ESTEC
- ✓ October 4: FSR RFAs due
- ✓ October: ESPRIT Virtual TIM
- ✓ October 23: Logistics Services SSN Issued
- ✓ December 17: Habitation Element and Logistics Element PSMs

Looking Ahead

- Gateway program transition from formulation to center program management
- PPE Selection(s) March 2019
- Science/Utilization Workshop Spring 2019
- Gateway U.S. Logistics and U.S. Habitation solicitations Spring/Summer 2019.



NOTIONAL GATEWAY BUILDUP: 2020-2026

ROCKET



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