

# **NASA Advisory Council**

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# Updates

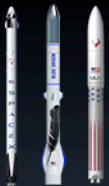
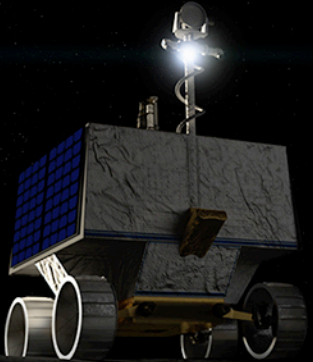
- **ARTEMIS I** launch scheduled for this year
- Space Launch System (SLS) Hot Fire – final test cued up
- Mobile Launcher-2 (ML-2) – Exploration Ground Systems working closely with SLS program on ML-2/Exploration Upper Stage (EUS) integration
- EUS plus associated capabilities; development well underway
- Docking capabilities for Orion; more complex flights for future Artemis missions



# NEAR TERM EXPLORATION PLANS

## COMMERCIAL LUNAR PAYLOAD SERVICES

Small Payload  
Deliveries to  
the Moon



## ARTEMIS I

Space Launch System  
(SLS)/Orion  
Uncrewed  
Test Flight



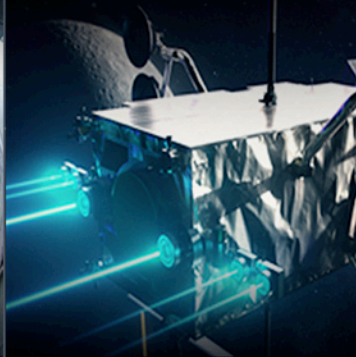
## ARTEMIS II

Crewed Mission  
to Lunar Orbit  
Aboard  
SLS/Orion



## GATEWAY:

Power Propulsion  
Element/Habitation  
& Logistics Outpost  
First Gateway  
Elements Integrated  
for Launch; Science  
Operations Begin



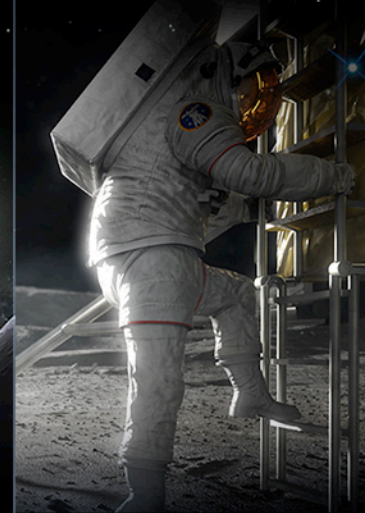
## INITIAL HUMAN LANDING SYSTEM

Delivered to  
Lunar Orbit



## ARTEMIS III

Crewed Mission  
to the Lunar  
Surface



## SURFACE MOBILITY

Lunar Terrain  
Vehicle to the  
Lunar Surface



*Conducting science missions on Mars in preparation for human exploration*





# ARTEMIS FIRSTS

2021



## First CLPS Mission

In 2021, the first Commercial Lunar Payload Services deliveries will begin with two companies delivering 16 instruments to the lunar surface that will pave the way for human explorers.



## VIPER

This golf-cart-sized rover will be the first to investigate lunar polar soil samples to characterize the distribution and concentrations of volatiles, including water, across a large region on the Moon.



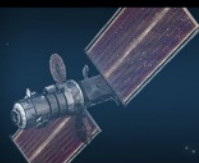
## CAPSTONE CubeSat

This small satellite will be the first spacecraft to enter the lunar Near Rectilinear Halo Orbit—the future home of the Gateway. There it will test new navigation techniques to validate predictive models, reducing uncertainties about the orbit.



## Artemis I

The uncrewed, maiden flight of the integrated Space Launch System rocket and Orion spacecraft will verify spacecraft performance and test Orion's heat shield during its high-speed Earth reentry at nearly 5,000 degrees Fahrenheit.



## PPE & HALO Launch

The Power and Propulsion Element (PPE) and the Habitation and Logistics Outpost (HALO) are the first pieces of the Gateway. On-board science investigations from NASA and the European Space Agency will conduct early characterization of the deep space environment.



## Artemis II

On this 10-day crewed test flight, NASA astronauts will set the record for the farthest human travel from Earth. They will validate deep space communication and navigation systems and ensure that life support systems keep them healthy and safe.



## Artemis III

With confidence gained through Artemis I and Artemis II, Orion and its crew will once again travel to the Moon, this time boarding the Human Landing System that will bring the first woman and next man to the lunar surface.

2024



# SLS Status



SLS Core Stage on the B-2 Test Stand at NASA Stennis

## ARTEMIS I

- ✓ **JAN 2020** Core Stage 1 delivered to Stennis Space Center
- ✓ **JUN 2020** Booster motor segment processing complete, shipped to Kennedy Space Center
- ✓ **AUG 2020** Launch Vehicle Stage Adapter complete, delivered to Exploration Ground Systems
- ✓ **OCT 2020** Green Run Simulation Launch Countdown (TC #6) Complete
- ✓ **NOV 2020** Artemis I booster stacking begins at Vehicle Assembly Building
- ✓ **DEC 2020** Wet Dress Rehearsal Test (TC #7) complete
- JAN 2021** Green Run Hot Fire Test (TC #8) complete
- FEB 2021** Core Stage 1 ship to Kennedy Space Center

**ARTEMIS II:** Space Launch System (SLS) solid motor segments completed and stored in Promontory, UT; Interim Cryogenic Propulsion Stage 2 manufacturing in work; RS-25 engines complete; RL-10 engine complete; Core Stage 2 manufacturing in work

**ARTEMIS III** and beyond: Core Stage 3 manufacturing in work; Artemis III Launch Vehicle Stage Adaptor and Orion Stage Adapter manufacturing in work; Exploration Upper Stage Critical Design Review complete; Flight Set 1 Hot Fire Test complete



# Orion Status



Orion Adapter installation for Artemis I underway

## ARTEMIS I

- ✓ **MAR 2020** Artemis I Spacecraft Environmental Testing complete
- ✓ **AUG 2020** Crew and Service Module testing complete
- ✓ **AUG 2020** Spacecraft Adapter Install
- ✓ **NOV 2020** Solar Array Wings/Solar Adapter Jettison Fairing Install
- ✓ **NOV 2020** Forward Bay Cover/Final Installs
- JAN 2021** Orion delivery to Exploration Ground Systems
- FEB 2021** Start of Orion fueling operations by Exploration Ground Systems

**ARTEMIS II:** Launch Abort System Motors shipped to Kennedy Space Center; Artemis II Crew Module and heat shield in work at Kennedy Space Center; European Service Module II in work in Bremen, Germany; Orion astronaut training simulator shipped to Johnson Space Center

**ARTEMIS III and beyond:** Artemis III Orion Crew Module manufacturing underway at Michoud Assembly Facility; Artemis III European Service Module in work in Bremen, Germany



# Exploration Ground Systems Status



SLS rocket booster stacking on the Mobile Launcher underway in the VAB

## ARTEMIS I

- ✓ MAR 2020 Underway Recovery Test 8 Complete
- ✓ SEP 2020 Terminal Countdown Simulation
- ✓ SEP 2020 Booster Stacking Demo complete
- ✓ OCT 2020 Mobile launcher rollout to Pad 39B
- ✓ NOV 2020 Cryogenic Loading Simulation Countdown
- JAN 2021 Orion delivery to Exploration Ground Systems
- FEB 2021 Core Stage delivery to Exploration Ground Systems

**ARTEMIS II & III:** Crew Emergency Egress System in work; 1.4Mgal LH2 Sphere in work; VAB Environmental Control System upgrade in work

**ARTEMIS IV** and beyond: Mobile Launcher 2 design in work



# MAJOR MILESTONES FOR ARTEMIS I





# ARTEMIS I Secondary Payloads

*Science and technology investigations and demonstrations paving the way for future, deep space human exploration*



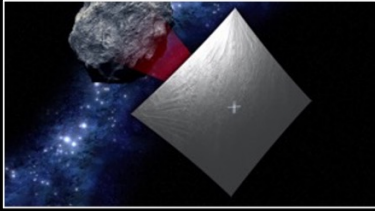
## ArgoMoon

**Developer:** Argotec

**Sponsor:** Agenzia Spaziale Italiana (ASI)

**Destination:** Geocentric orbit with high eccentricity and apogee close to the Moon

**Mission:** Photograph the ICPS, CubeSat deployment, the Earth and Moon using HD cameras and advanced imaging software.



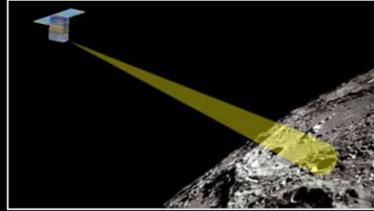
## Near-Earth Asteroid Scout (NEA Scout)

**Developer:** NASA MSFC

**Sponsor:** NASA AES

**Destination:** Near-Earth asteroid (within ~1 AU of Earth)

**Mission:** Detect target NEA, perform reconnaissance and close proximity imaging.



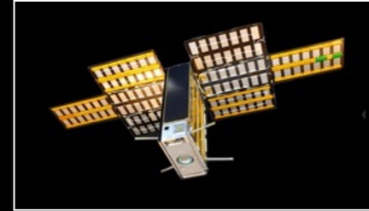
## LunIR

**Developer:** Lockheed Martin Space Systems

**Sponsor:** NASA NextSTEP

**Destination:** Heliocentric orbit via lunar flyby

**Mission:** Use a miniature high-temperature Mid-Wave Infrared (MWIR) sensor to characterize the lunar surface.



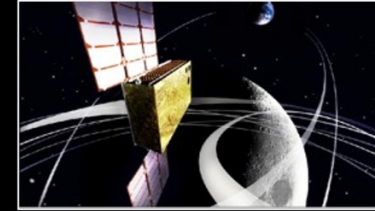
## LunaH-Map

**Developer:** Arizona State University

**Sponsor:** NASA SMD

**Destination:** Lunar orbit

**Mission:** Perform neutron spectroscopy to characterize abundance of hydrogen in permanently shaded craters.



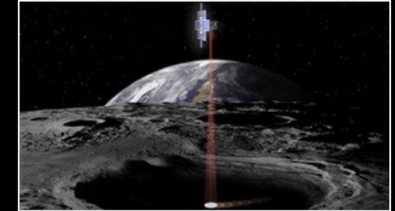
## EQUULEUS

**Developer:** University of Tokyo

**Sponsor:** JAXA

**Destination:** Earth-Moon L2 point

**Mission:** Demonstrate trajectory control techniques within the Sun-Earth-Moon region and image Earth's plasmasphere.



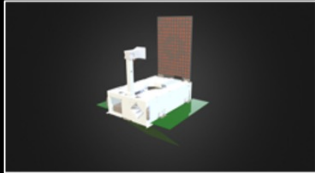
## Lunar Flashlight

**Developer:** NASA JPL

**Sponsor:** NASA AES

**Destination:** Lunar orbit

**Mission:** Search for ice deposits using near-infrared band lasers.



## University of Colorado-Earth Escape Explorer (CU-E3)

**Developer:** University of Colorado Boulder

**Sponsor:** NASA Cube Quest Challenge

**Destination:** Deep space  
**Mission:** Demonstrate use of solar radiation pressure for propulsion; compete in NASA's Deep Space Derby.

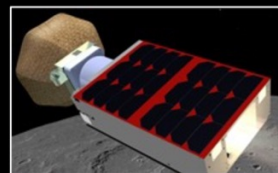


## Team Miles

**Developer:** Miles Space, LLC

**Sponsor:** NASA Cube Quest Challenge

**Destination:** Deep space  
**Mission:** Demonstrate propulsion using plasma thrusters; compete in NASA's Deep Space Derby.

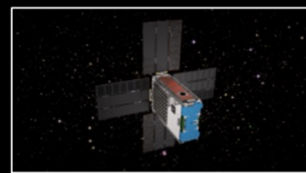


## OMOTENASHI

**Developer:** Institute of Space and Astronautical Science (ISAS)/JAXA

**Sponsor:** JAXA

**Destination:** Lunar surface  
**Mission:** Develop world's smallest lunar lander and observe lunar radiation environment.

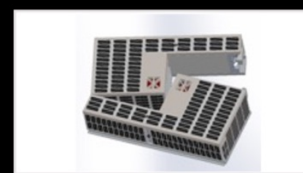


## Biosentinel

**Developers:** NASA Ames, NASA Johnson, Loma Linda University Medical Center, University of Saskatchewan

**Sponsor:** NASA AES

**Destination:** Heliocentric orbit via lunar flyby  
**Mission:** Use yeast as a biosensor to evaluate the effects of ambient space radiation on DNA.



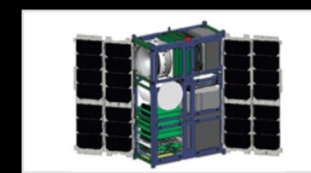
## Cislunar Explorers

**Developers:** Cornell University

**Sponsor:** NASA STMD

**Destination:** Lunar orbit

**Mission:** Demonstrate use of an inert water-based propulsion system for lunar gravity assists and capture in lunar orbit; compete in NASA's Deep Space Derby.

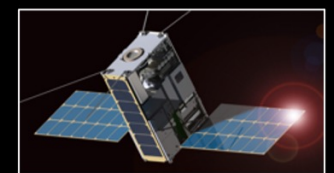


## CubeSat to Study Solar Particles (CuSP)

**Developers:** Southwest Research Institute, NASA Goddard

**Sponsor:** NASA SMD

**Destination:** Deep space  
**Mission:** Measure incoming radiation that can create a wide variety of effects on Earth.



## Lunar IceCube

**Developers:** Morehead State University, NASA JPL, NASA Goddard, BUSEK

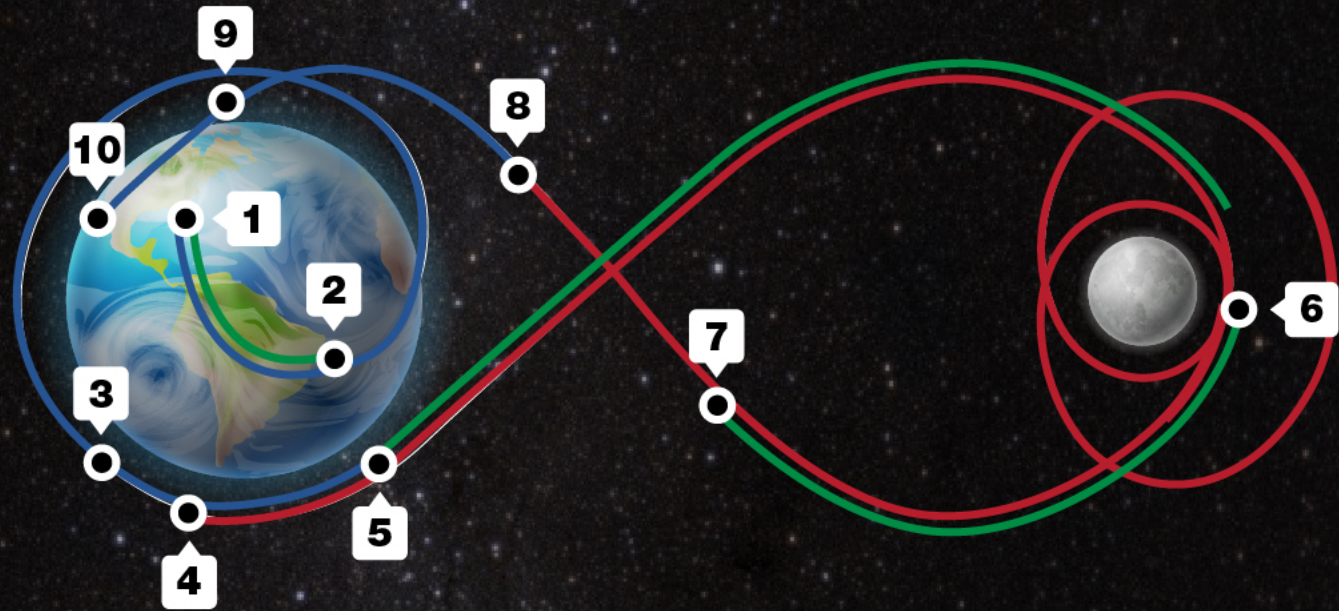
**Sponsor:** NASA NextSTEP

**Destination:** Lunar orbit  
**Mission:** Search for water (and other volatiles) in ice, liquid and vapor states using infrared spectrometer.



# ARTEMIS I

## SPACE COMMUNICATIONS & NAVIGATION MILESTONES



### NSN DTE NSN TDRS **1** Launch

Both the Launch Communications Segment and the Space Network's constellation of Tracking and Data Relay Satellites will maintain communication between the Space Launch System and Orion.

### NSN TDRS **2** Low-Earth Orbit

In low-Earth orbit, NASA's Near Space Network TDRS will maintain continuous communications with Orion and the Interim Cryogenic Propulsion Stage (ICPS), which will accelerate Orion fast enough to overcome the pull of Earth's gravity and set it on a precise trajectory to the Moon.

### NSN TDRS **3** ICPS Separation

Once Orion no longer needs the ICPS, the Near Space Network will monitor telemetry from the ICPS until it is out of range. The ICPS will continue towards the Moon on a heliocentric trajectory, deploying small satellites that provide additional science in trans lunar orbit.

### NSN TDRS DSN **4** Handover to DSN

As Orion prepares to leave the area of near-Earth space covered by the Near Space Network, network engineers will pass communications services to the Deep Space Network.

### DSN NSN DTE **5** Journey to the Moon

En route to the Moon, the Deep Space Network will be the primary method of communication with Earth, with Near Space Network ground stations providing supplementary tracking and navigation data.

### DSN **6** Distant Retrograde Orbit

When Orion arrives at the Moon, it will enter a distant retrograde orbit, a highly stable orbit in which Orion travels opposite the direction the Moon travels around Earth. There, NASA will continue to test and demonstrate Orion's capabilities.

### DSN NSN DTE **7** Return Transit

Returning from the Moon, the Deep Space Network will be the primary method of communication with Earth, with Near Space Network ground stations providing supplementary tracking and navigation data.

### DSN NSN TDRS **8** Return Trajectory Correction Burn

During the final engine burn that places Orion on target to safely enter Earth's atmosphere, the Near Space Network will join the Deep Space Network, ultimately taking over communications for the remainder of the mission.

### NSN TDRS **9** Re-entry

During re-entry, the enormous heat generated as Orion encounters the atmosphere turns the air surrounding the capsule into plasma. Until it dissipates, this can disrupt communications with the spacecraft.

### NSN TDRS **10** Splashdown and Recovery

The Near Space Network maintains communications through the unfurling of parachutes, splashdown in the Pacific Ocean, and recovery of the capsule by military and NASA professionals.

**NSN**

NEAR SPACE NETWORK

NSN DTE

NSN TDRS

**DSN**

DEEP SPACE NETWORK



# Gateway Status

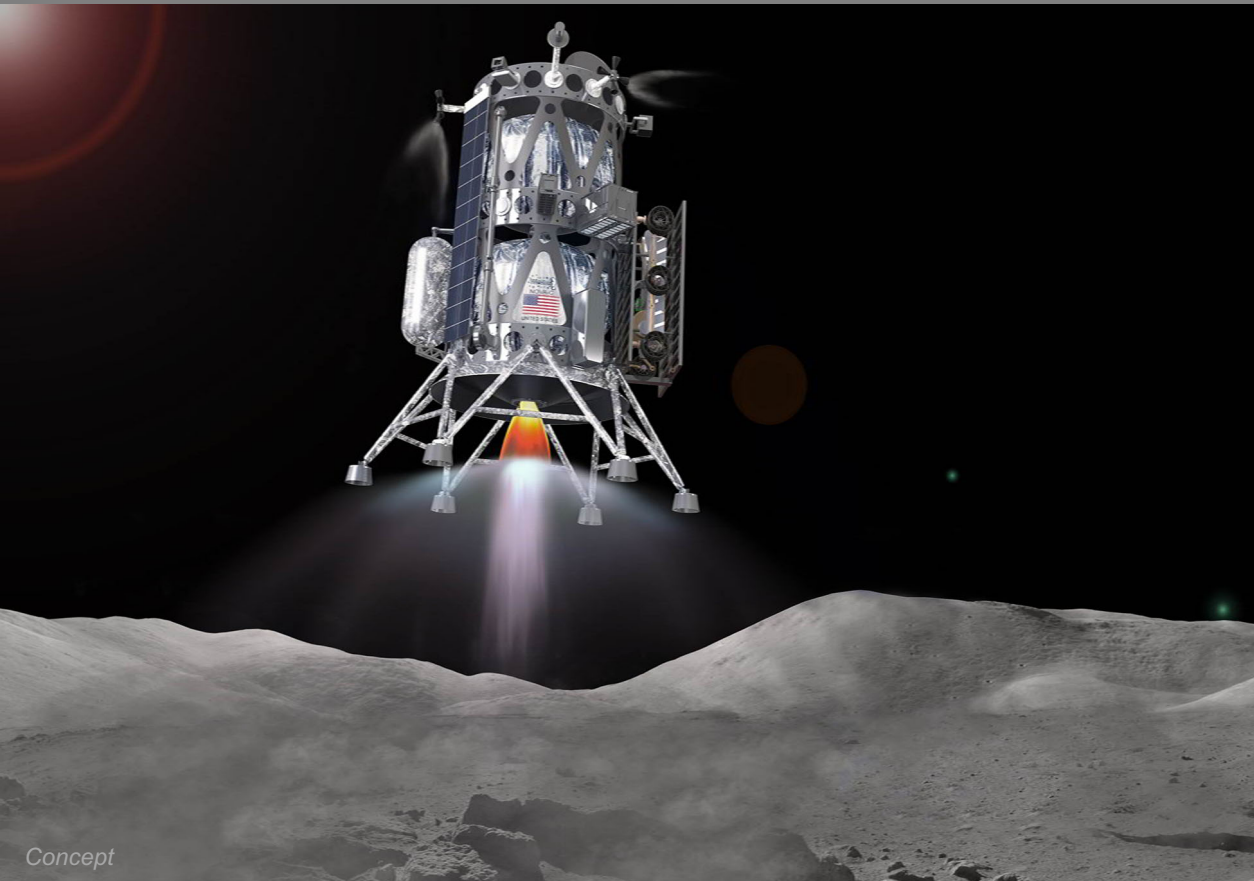


- AUG 2019** ✓ Gateway External Robotic Interfaces contract awarded by Canadian Space Agency (CSA) to MDA
- MAR 2020** ✓ Gateway Logistics Services contract awarded to SpaceX
  - ✓ First two Gateway science payloads selected
- JUN 2020** ✓ Habitation and Logistics Outpost (HALO) contract awarded to Northrop Grumman
- SEP 2020** ✓ I-HAB contract awarded by European Space Agency (ESA) to Thales Alenia Space (Italy)
- OCT 2020** ✓ HALO Preliminary Design Review (PDR) Kick-Off
  - ✓ Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with ESA signed
- NOV 2020** ✓ Maxar-led Power and Propulsion Element (PPE) Delta System Requirements and System Definition Reviews initiated to ensure requirement alignment for PDR
  - ✓ MOU with CSA signed
- DEC 2020** ✓ ESPRIT contract awarded by ESA to Thales Alenia Space (France)
  - ✓ Canadarm3 contract awarded by CSA to MDA
  - ✓ MOU with JAXA signed
- MAR 2021** HALO PDR Close-Out  
Gateway Sync Review



# NASA Science and Technology Payloads on the Lunar Surface in 2021

*NASA has finalized the first 16 science experiments and technology demonstrations to be delivered to the surface of the Moon with the agency's Commercial Lunar Payload Services (CLPS) initiative*



Intuitive Machines will launch the Nova-C lander on a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket and will carry 5 payloads



Astrobotic will launch the Peregrine lander on a ULA Vulcan Centaur rocket and will carry 11 payloads

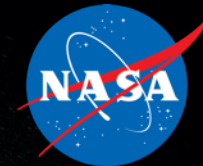


# 2021 HEOMD Milestones

| Quarter 1  | Quarter 2  | Quarter 3   | Quarter 4   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land SpaceX CRS-21</li> <li>• Handover Orion to EGS for processing</li> <li>• Launch Boeing OFT-2</li> <li>• Launch SpaceX Crew-2 (date under review)</li> <li>• Launch Northrop Grumman (NG) CRS-15</li> <li>• Ship Artemis I Core Stage to KSC</li> <li>• Launch Laser Communications Relay Demonstration</li> <li>• Select companies developing Artemis III human lander(s)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commercial LEO Development Program announcement</li> <li>• Artemis II ESM delivered to NASA</li> <li>• Launch Soyuz 64S</li> <li>• Land Soyuz 63S</li> <li>• Launch/land SpaceX CRS-22</li> <li>• Launch Boeing CFT</li> <li>• Land Boeing OFT-2</li> <li>• Land SpaceX Crew-1</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch Dart</li> <li>• Launch Landsat-9</li> <li>• Astrobotic Peregrine launch; 1st CLPS flight &amp; lunar landing</li> <li>• Launch NG CRS-16</li> <li>• Launch Soyuz 65S</li> <li>• Launch SpaceX Crew-3 (date under review)</li> <li>• Land SpaceX Crew-2</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intuitive Machines Nova-C launch; 1st CLPS flight &amp; lunar landing</li> <li>• Artemis I launch (~3-week mission) through Orion splashdown</li> <li>• Starliner-1 (date under review)</li> <li>• NASA announces new class of astronaut candidates</li> <li>• Launch Lucy</li> <li>• Launch IXPE</li> <li>• Launch GOES-T</li> <li>• 2 Science mission launches with LSP in Advisory Role (JWST &amp; NiSAR)</li> </ul> |



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**QUESTIONS?**