



# NASA Town Hall – A Live Event

Monday, August 9, 2021

3:00PM to 4:30PM MT



# Welcome to the 2021 NASA Town Hall

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# S3VI Mission Statement

- Advance clear communications, coordination, and consistent guidance regarding small spacecraft activities across NASA.
- Provide the US smallsat research community with access to mission enabling information.
- Maintain engagement with small spacecraft stakeholders in industry and academia. Support the overall small spacecraft community.

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# 2021 NASA Town Hall – Agenda

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## Welcome from the Small Spacecraft Systems Virtual Institute (S3VI)

Bruce Yost, Director, S3VI

## Opening Remarks

Nicole Rayl, Chief Technologist (Acting), NASA Science Mission Directorate

## Small Spacecraft Coordination Group

Florence Tan, Chair, Small Spacecraft Coordination Group  
Deputy Chief Technologist, Science Mission Directorate

## Science Mission Directorate (SMD)

- **Astrophysics Division**  
Rachele Cocks, Program Executive
- **Earth Science Technology Office**  
Sachidananda R. Babu, Program Manager, In-Space Validation of Earth Science Technologies InVEST
- **Planetary Science Division**  
Carolyn Mercer, Program Executive, Small Innovative Missions for Planetary Exploration (SIMPLEx)
- **Heliophysics Division**  
Amy Winebarger, Program Scientist, Heliophysics Flight Opportunities for Research and Technology
- **Biological and Physical Sciences Division**  
Craig Kundrot, Director

## • SMD Rideshare Office

Aly Mendoza-Hill, SMD Rideshare Lead

## Space Technology Mission Directorate

Christopher Baker, Program Executive, Small Spacecraft Technology and Flight Opportunities Programs

## Small Spacecraft Technology Program

Roger Hunter, Program Manager

## Flight Opportunities Program

Alexander Van Dijk, Technologist

## Human Exploration and Operations Mission Directorate, Advanced Exploration Systems

Andres Martinez, Program Executive, Small Spacecraft Missions

## Small Business Innovation Research / Small Business Technology Transfer Program

Chad Frost, Chief Technologist, Small Spacecraft Technology Program

## CubeSat Launch Initiative

Scott Higginbotham, LSP CSLI/ELaNa Lead

## Question & Answer Session



A moderated Q&A session will be held during the last 30 minutes of the Town Hall

- Use the 'Chat' feature in WebEx to type your question at any time during the Town Hall
- Indicate the name of the speaker for whom your question is intended
- Members of the media are asked to identify their organization as part of their question
- Given the time allowed, its possible that not all questions will be answered.
- After the NASA Town Hall you may also submit questions to [agency-smallsat-institute@mail.nasa.gov](mailto:agency-smallsat-institute@mail.nasa.gov)
- The NASA Town Hall session is being recorded and the recording will be posted to <https://www.nasa.gov/smallsat-institute/2021-nasa-town-hall> by Thursday, August 12.