











White House nominates Bridenstine as NASA administrator

 The White House announced Sept. 1 that President Trump planned to nominate Rep. Jim Bridenstine (R-Okla.) as NASA administrator.





What might be a new direction for NASA under the new Administrator?

- "To be among those who first arrive at a destination in space and to open it for subsequent use and development by others."
 - keeping NASA a "cutting edge" entity that pushes the envelope of spaceflight.
 - ...charging the agency with enabling the subsequent exploration and use of new destinations by a variety of users, both public and private.
 - Example: NASA's goal is NOT to "mine the Moon," but to establish that the Moon <u>CAN</u> be mined, and to open the window on what new technology development is needed for such a task.



- Rumors of considering a "Return to the Moon" by the Trump administration
- Bezos: "Blue Moon" cargo-delivery service to the surface of the Moon
- SpaceX plans to send two people around the Moon in late 2018
- NASA Announces Plans To Test Deep Space Exploration With New Moon-Orbiting Spaceport
- International Space Agency Heads See the Moon on the Path to Mars (April 2017)



- NASA RFI Seeks Additional Information on Small Lunar Surface Payloads (Nov 1, 2016)
- NASA Lunar Surface Cargo Transportation Services Request for Information (RFI) (May 1, 2017)
 - seeks details from U.S. companies about commercial lander systems to deliver "instruments, experiments, or other payloads" to the surface of the moon
- NASA AES has two forthcoming BAAs: (1) funding of landed lunar instruments and (2) landed services for provider companies. (briefed at LPSC in March 2017)



- China eyes manned lunar landing by 2036
 - On Dec 2013, the country's Chang'e 3 successfully reached the Moon
 - The next unmanned lunar mission, Chang'e 4, was planned for December
 2018 (different booster than Long March 5?)
 - China's first sample return mission, designated Chang'e 5, was
 postponed to 2020 due to the recent failure of a Long March 5 launcher.

"The Chinese clearly have a very ambitious program of lunar exploration operating on what can only be described as an 'aggressive' timescale."





Scientists Find Ideal Spot for Human Settlement on Moon, Mars

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European Astronomical Society (EAS) has revealed that by studying the geography of the Moon and Mars, scientists have arrived at the conclusion that massive lava tube caves on the Moon and Mars may be ideally suited for human colonization.

(Europlanet-eu.org)

Continuous Uncollapsed Segment



Future Lunar Exploration Timeline

2017

Originally planned for November: Chang-E-5, near side sample return *

2018

- Change'E-4, far side lander and rover *
- SpaceX human lunar orbiter

* Long March 5 failure to postpone mission



Future Lunar Exploration Timeline

2019

- Luna-Glob, Luna 25, will be the next Russian lunar mission, landing near the lunar south pole
- Possible selection of NASA Moonrise
- NASA Exploration Mission (EM) 1: NET December 2019

2020

- Luna-26, lander
- Chang'E-5, lander and far side sample return



Future Lunar Exploration Timeline

· 2021-22

- Luna-27, lander
- NASA EM-2 human mission, Orion/SLS 1B lunar orbit

2022-30

- Luna-28, lander, sample return
- Luna-29, lander and rover
- First human launch Federaysiya late 2023
- NASA Moonrise far side sample return, launch 2024



- Commercial Lunar Lander activity Astrobotic
 - Astrobotic's Private Moon Lander Will Launch in late 2019 atop a
 United Launch Alliance (ULA) Atlas V rocket
 - During the 2019 mission, Peregrine will carry 77 lbs. (35 kilograms) of payload to the lunar surface.







- Commercial Lunar Lander activity Moon Express
 - Launch planned for early 2018 on Rocket Lab's Electron

 MX-1E can land up to 66 pounds on the lunar surface and is also designed to "hop"

MX-1E



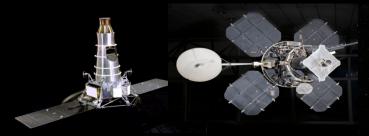
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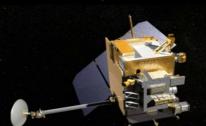
Preparation for Apollo Landings

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Lunar Orbit Data





Lunar Surface





Technology Testing





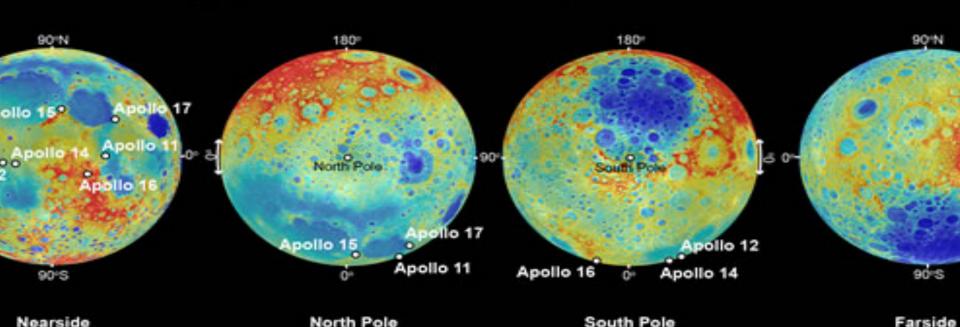


The critical role of ISRUVolatiles / PropellantLunar Construction



Less than 5% of the moon's surface has been explored

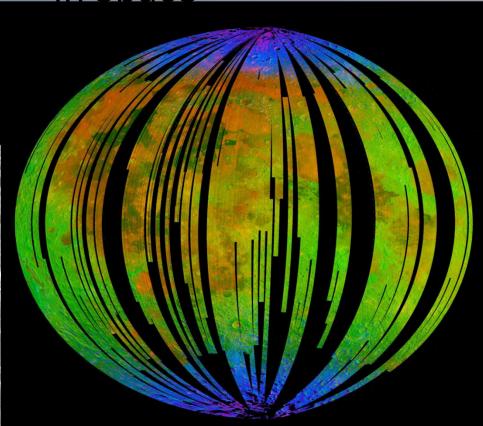
Geographic Distribution of Apollo Sample Sites





Lunar Water Creates New Capabilities in Space

At the moon's north pole, a minimum estimate for the amount of ice located there — as gleaned from Mini-RF data alone — is 600 million metric tons

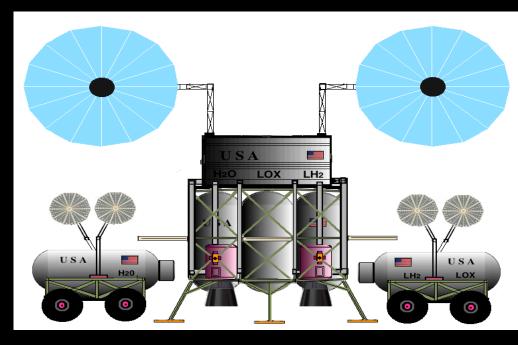




ISRU #1: Lunar Consumables

HYDROGEN / OXYGEN

- -propellant,
- -fuel cell reactants,
- life support





ISRU #2: Lunar Construction

LUNAR CONSTRUCTION / CIVIL ENGINEERING

- Roads,
- Landing pads,
- Infrastructure
- Building Codes
- Site survey
- Drilling





ISRU #3: Resource Prospecting

- RESOURCE PROSPECTING
 - lunar ice/volatiles
 - some metallics







ISRU #4: Energy

• ENERGY

- Solar Array
 Production
- Thermal Storage





What have we yet to learn in operating on the surface of the Moon?

Drilling and anchoring

How to make a brick

How to build a landing pad

Nature of the ice/water

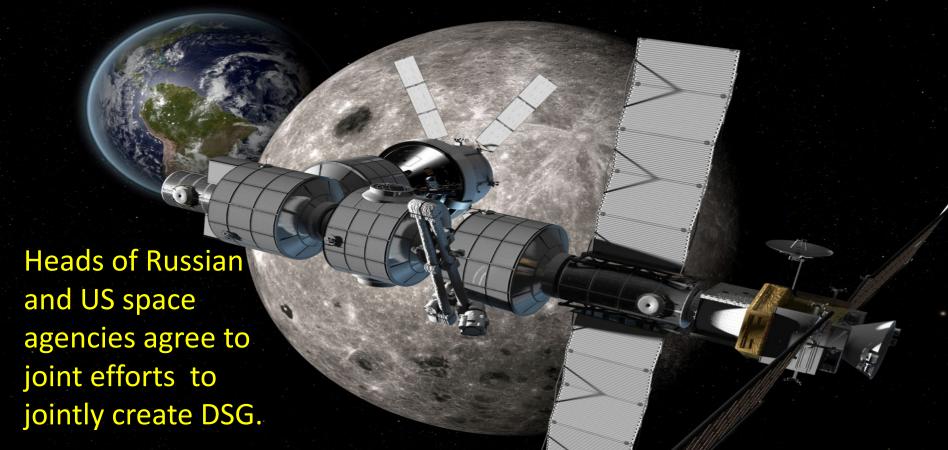




Evolvable Lunar Architecture



Deep Space Gateway



Exploring Space In Partnership

Now
Using the
International
Space Station

Operating in the Lunar Vicinity

Avancing technologies, discovery and creating economic

2030s
Leaving the EarthMoon System and
Reaching Mars

NextSTEP

Next Space Technologies for Exploration Partnerships

Phase 0

Solve exploration mission challenges through research and systems testing on the ISS. Understand if and when lunar Phase 1

Conduct missions in cislunar space; assemble Deep Space Gateway and Deep Space Transport

Complete Deep Space Transport and conduct Mars verification mission Missions to the Mars system, the surface of Mars



International Collaboration ESA Moon Village





Global Partnership Strategy





NSS: "Return to the Moon"

The Moon serves two primary purposes:

- a return to the Moon allowed us to develop and test the technologies, hardware and procedures needed for future human exploration beyond LEO; and
- 2. the use of the material and energy resources of the Moon would enable the creation of new spaceflight capabilities.



NSS Strategic Goal

- 1. Promote the economic development of cis-lunar space and a thriving space economy
- Promote the utilization of space resources including lunar, asteroidal and solar energy
- 3. Promote a "return to the Moon" this time to stay in a fashion that stresses sustainability, public-private partnerships, commercial approaches and the enablement of Space Settlement [equating commercial space and space settlement]
- 4. Promote the development of self-sustaining habitats

Arthur C. Clarke once wrote that all revolutionary ideas or concepts go through three phases of critical reaction.

The first reactions are "It's impossible—don't waste my time. The second phase consists of "Well, it may be possible, but it's not worth doing."

The final phase is "I said it was a good idea all along."

Using the resources of the Moon is a revolutionary idea—a good idea that can change spaceflight

Mahalo Nui Loa

