

Upcoming Events

Event/Sub-events	Description	Schedule	Ref No
Early NCT3 - Ground EEO	Scheduled due to slip in NCT3 schedule	09/16/2009 – 10/05/2009	8
Flight Thread Tests	FTTs are used to verify functional requirements contained in the Mission Requirements Specification.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FTT 8 	This test will verify the ingest and validation of selected IDPS (NESDIS) generated RDRs and xDRS (TDRs, EDRs, and SDRs) from ADS in SDS.	07/30/2009 - 08/05/2009	5
Interface Confidence Tests	The ICTs will be discussed at the Test Data Summit, Dec 9-10 at Goddard.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICT 2 	SDS <-> IDPS – Schweiss requests at least dial in for kick off discussion during the Test Data Summit, Dec 9-10.	07/22/2009 - 08/05/2009	9
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICT 4 	ADS/CLASS <-> SDS	07/13/2009 - 07/17/2009	9
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICT 23 	SDS <-> NSIPS	Postponed – new data TBD	9
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICT 24 	SDS <-> LaRC (ASDC)	05/26/2009 - 06/08/2009	5
Mission Rehearsal Tests			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MRT3 	Sensor activation and checkout: Sensor activation, Sensor deployments, Mission data handling, & Cal/Val.	Launch - 7 months (06/16/2010 – 06/22/2010)	8
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MRT4 	Combination of Mission Rehearsal #2 and Mission Rehearsal #3.	Launch - 4 months (09/16/2010 – 09/22/2010)	8
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MRT4A 	Dress Rehearsal	Launch - 1/2 weeks (01/04/2011 – 01/10/2011)	8
NPP Compatibility Tests	The NCTs exercise flight and ground interaction. Each NCT is comprised of functional thread and interface tests that provide a continuing higher degree of confidence leading up to operational readiness.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCT3 	This test exercises the flow of data from the satellite through C3S, IDPS, SDS, and to the ADS with the appropriate products being generated at each stage. (This test was previously scheduled to begin on 06/10/2008 and to last for 5 days. The slippage of that schedule led to the “Early NCT3-Ground EEO.”)	02/01/2010 – 02/08/2010	8

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCT4 	This test exercises mission configuration, 3 days in the mission life with all elements of ground segment. This is the final test opportunity with the satellite before shipment to launch facility. (Ref. #1 shows the test duration as 10 days which is apparently an error.)	07/23/2010 – 07/30/2010	8
Operations Readiness Test (ORT)	Verify that the ground system and operations personnel are ready to support the mission.	10/18/2010 – 10/22/2010	8
SDS Function Tests	From the "SDS System Test Schedule" - more info/details to follow.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land to CERES 		05/19/2009 - 05/21/2009	10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CERES to CLASS/ADS 		06/23/2009 - 06/23/2009	10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CERES to CasaNOSA 		06/23/2009 - 06/23/2009	10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CERES to Science Team 		06/23/2009 - 06/23/2009	10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CERES to C3S (WRS) 		06/23/2009 - 06/23/2009	10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPP Launch 		01/16/2011	8
NPP Mission Freeze Date	The purpose of this date is to lock-down the mission configuration before launch. The mission freeze date generally applies to major hardware/software items within the ground system and mission operations area such as ground software and hardware. A comprehensive list of items that apply to the launch freeze will be generated by the MOWG.	Launch - 2 months	

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