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resources

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OSIRIS-REX: To Bennu – and Back!



FOREVER/US



Perseverance: More than 3 years on Mars!

Perseverance's Location Latest Drive: Sol 1138 | Total Distance 16.05 miles / 25.83 km



Location as of May 3, 2024

Europa Clipper

Launching Fall 2024



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Back to Venus



DAVINCI (2031/2032)

Deep Atmosphere Venus Investigation of Noble Gases, Chemistry, and Imaging



EnVision (2031)

ESA Medium-Class Mission NASA contribution includes VenSAR (Synthetic Aperture Radar)



VERITAS (2031/2032)

Venus Emissivity, Radio Science, InSAR, Topography, & Spectroscopy



FY 2024 Budget: NASA & SMD

NASA's budget for FY2024 was included in the minibus bill passed by Congress and signed into law by the President on March 9, 2024

(\$M)	FY23 Enacted	FY24 PBR	FY24 Minibus Bill	Delta from PBR	Delta from FY23
Science	7,795.0	8,260.8	7,334.2	-926.6	-460.8
Earth	2,195.0	2,472.8	2,195.0	-277.8	0.0
Planetary	3,200.0	3,383.2	2,716.7	-666.5	-483.3
Astrophysics	1,510.0	1,557.4	1,530.0	-27.4	20.0
Heliophysics	805.0	750.9	805.0	54.1	0.0
Biological & Physical Sciences	85.0	96.5	87.5	-9.0	2.5

FY 2024 Budget: PSD

- NASA's FY 2024 Appropriations for PSD: \$2.7B
 - \$483M lower than FY 2023 (15% reduction of FY2023 budget)
 - \$666.6M (~20%) lower than FY 2024 President's Budget Request (PBR)
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 - Although appropriation allows up to the President's FY24 request (\$949.3M) for MSR, portfolio balance and Decadal Survey guidelines within the fixed top line are a high priority
- Specific language:
 - ~\$210M for NEO Surveyor
 - Up to FY 2023 level (~488M) for New Frontiers, including not less than \$360M for Dragonfly
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Planetary Science Budget Priorities

Explore/Innovate/Partner/Inspire

Successfully complete confirmed high-priority missions including **Europa Clipper, NEO** Surveyor

Support **international partnerships**: JUICE, MEGANE/MMX, Rosalind Franklin Mission, EnVision

Ensure Decadal-recommended science investigations are included in **Artemis** campaign; support stable cadence of future CLPS deliveries to the lunar surface

Support Planetary Science **research** community to ensure continued scientific discovery from NASA mission data

FISCAL YEAR 2025



Artist conception of the NEO Surveyor spacecraft. Image credit: NASA/JPL-Caltech



This view of Mars was captured by NASA's Odyssey orbiter using its THEMIS camera. It combines three channels of infrared data that highlight water-ice clouds and dust in the atmosphere. Image credit: NASA/JPL-Caltech/ASU

Planetary Science Highlights

- Mars Sample Return paused in FY24 while architecture studies are completed; FY25 budget request is \$200M
- Supports launches of Europa Clipper (Oct 2024) and NEO Surveyor (2028)
- Supports **Dragonfly** mission for 2028 LRD, confirmed on April 16
- Three missions to study Venus: **DAVINCI**, **VERITAS** (both to launch in 2031–32 timeframe) and contributions to ESA **EnVision**
- Mars Exploration Program supports ongoing operation of 5 missions at Mars, including Perseverance and MSL, and new investments in technology to enable future Mars missions
- Robust Lunar Discovery and Exploration Program which includes:
 - Two CLPS awards per year in most years
 - Annual **PRISM** calls for instruments
 - Artemis Science instruments, including handheld instruments for astronauts and the lunar terrain rover
 - Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter operations
 - Support for VIPER and Lunar Trailblazer for planned launches in FY 2025

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An RPS MMRTG. This unit is currently installed and operating on the Curiosity Rover. Image Credit: NASA/DOE

Planetary Science Highlights

- The next **New Frontiers, Discovery, and SIMPLEx** AOs expected to be released no earlier than 2026
- New **Planetary Technology** strategy and project, to provide integrated technology development for future planetary science missions
- Pre-formulation studies of the Decadal-Survey-recommended Uranus Orbiter and Probe mission will begin in the current budget horizon
- Investments in Open Source Science to enhance transparency, inclusivity, accessibility, and reproducibility in publicly funded scientific research.
 - This project also supports SMD's transition to cloud computing services
- **Radioisotope Power Systems** program investments in technology, to enable successful trips to distant solar system destinations with harsh environments; includes development of the Dragonfly MMRTG
- Planetary Data System data archives, which now span more than 50 years of NASA-funded research, and will expand to include ground-based observations of Near-Earth objects



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AND LIFE

A Decadal Strategy for Planetary Science & Astrobiology 2023–2032

Uranus Flagship Status

- Received input from three centers (JPL, APL, GSFC)
- Early-stage discussion with ESA (no commitments) about broad approaches for collaboration have happened
- Hope to competitively select a portion of the science team early (depending on available funding)
- Possibility for some focused studies in the out years
- Funding for meetings can be obtained via TWSC: happy to support workshop in Pasadena during summer 2023 and upcoming workshop at GSFC this spring
- Any decisions on architecture, scope, partners, instruments, etc are still far off





Townhall	Time & Place
Habitable Worlds Observatory – an Astrobiology Facility	Monday, May 6 11.45 am to 12.45 pm Ballroom A
Getting with the Program: Updates from Astrobiology at NASA	Monday, May 6 6.15 pm to 7.15 pm Ballroom A
Across the RCNs: Current Views on Life's Origins, Distribution, and Detection	Tuesday, May 7 11.45 am to 12.45 pm Ballroom A
Opportunities for Astrobiology Small Satellites and Payloads	Wednesday, May 8 11.45 am to 12.45 pm Ballroom B/C

Through the Eyes of NASA