News from NSF

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Some Recent Happenings

- At SC 07, Open Science Grid achieved milestone of >80 Gbps data flow
- Physics Frontiers Centers competition reviewed 58 preproposals, inviting 19
- DUSEL town meeting in DC involves community in discussions of initial suite
- NSF and DOE partner to enable CESR TA to perform critical path R&D for the ILC
- US and other regions participate in ASPERA
- Noticeable blossoming of POU-style physics

Observations

- Opportunities for fundamental, transformative discoveries in particle physics have never been more numerous or compelling.
- While the energy-frontier collider remains the tool of choice, additional approaches for major discovery have become indispensable portals of discovery.
- The resources and time required for frontier facilities call for unprecedented preparation and planning horizon.
- A vigorous, world-class, globally-engaged particle physics community is important for science and society.

Future Major Facilities — Present Coordinated Approach

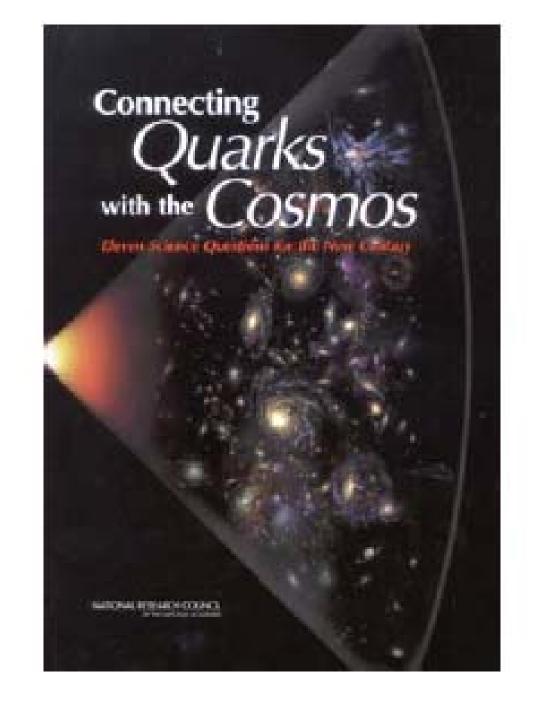
ILC	DOE/HEP lead	PHY supporting role
DUSEL	PHY lead	DOE/HEP and DOE/NP supporting role
RIBF	DOE/NP lead	PHY supporting role

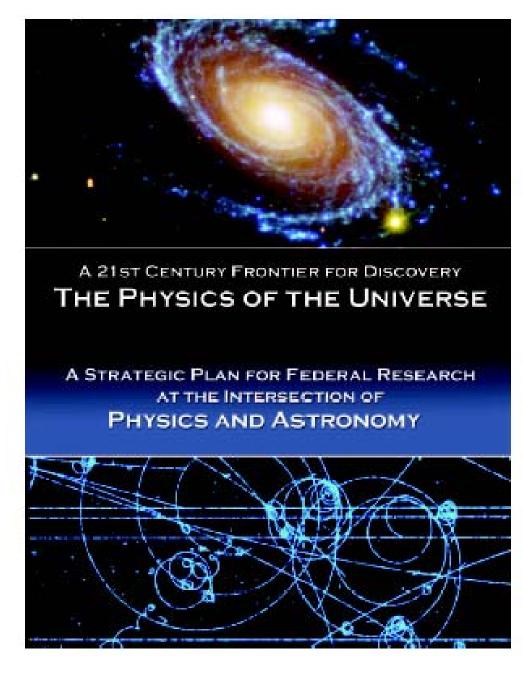
Wanted: Strategy For Sustained, World-Class Program Of Discovery Well Into The 21st Century

- Short term Complete programs at FNAL, BaBar, CESR; begin LHC exploration of TeV scale; complete plans for neutrino, astrophysics/cosmology, rare processes program; R&D on all promising energy-frontier accelerator concepts; strengthen university program & theory
- Intermediate term Collaborate in discovery phase of LHC; exploit discovery potential of neutrino, POU, rare process approaches; prioritize/select best-value lepton & hadron accelerator concepts; strengthen university program & theory
- Long term Prepare to host the next energy-frontier collider, from the platform of a broad, vigorous, world-class program

Probing Terascale to Planck

- Tevatron
- International Linear Collider
- Large Hadron Collider
- CLIC
- Muon Collider
- VLHC
- Rare Processes, e.g., MECO, KOPIO, NNbar...
- IceCube
- Auger
- Proton Decay



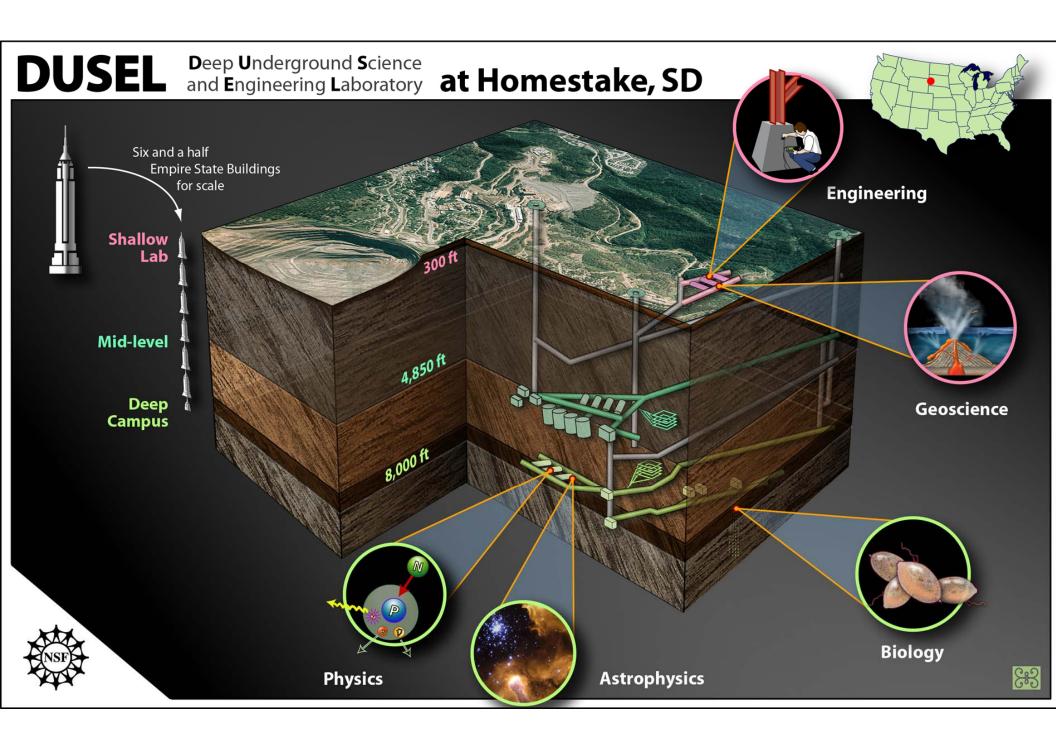


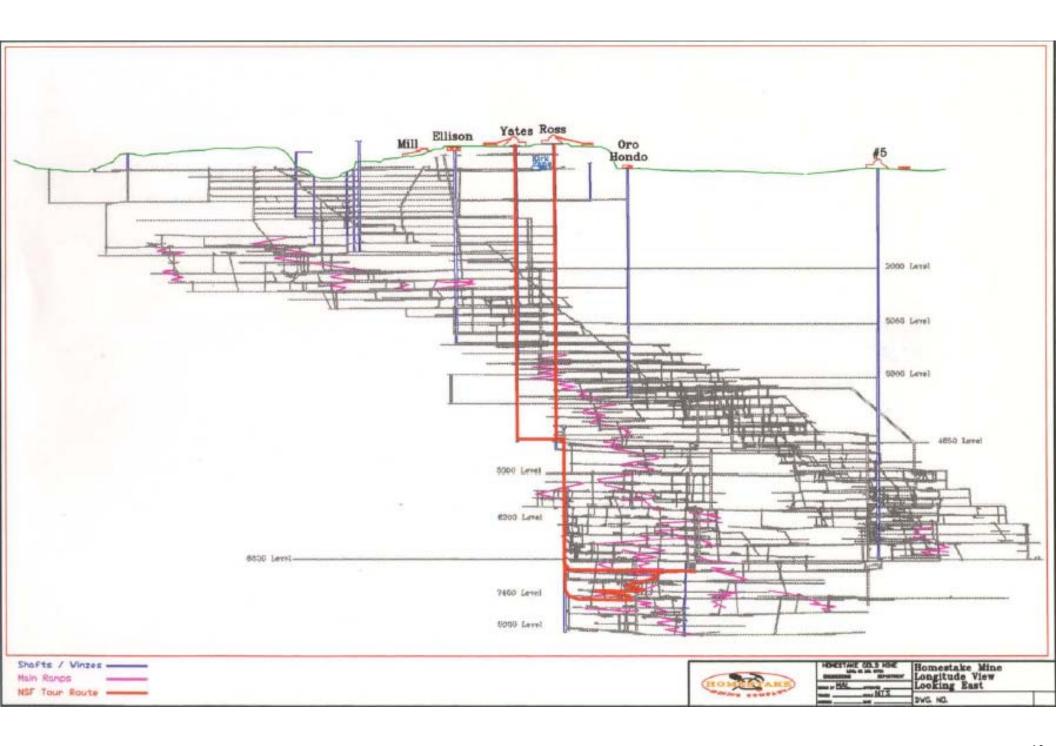
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Astroparticle Physics Projects

- Gravitational Waves: LIGO/AdvLIGO (GEO, VIRGO, TAMA, 11 countries)
- Cosmological Neutrinos: IceCube (Germany, Sweden, Belgium,)
- Underground Science: DUSEL
- Dark Matter: CDMS, XENON, WARP, ZEPLIN, DRIFT, COUPP (DOE, INFN, PPARC, Germany, Poland)
- Cosmic Rays: AUGER, HiRes, TA, Veritas, Milagro (DOE, Japan, Korea, Canada, Ireland, Smithsonian, 17 more countries)
- Neutrinos: Borexino, Double Chooz, CUORE (DOE, INFN, France, Germany, Brazil, Japan, Russia, Spain, UK)
- Structure of the Universe: ACT, SPT
- B-Mode Polarization of CMB: QUIET
- Origin of the Elements: NSCL (DOE)





NSF/Community Process

- Town Meeting at NSF, March 2004
- Solicitation (S1): define site-independent science scope and infrastructure needs; unify the community (awarded in Dec 2004)
- Solicitation (S2): develop conceptual designs for 1 or more sites (2 awarded July 2005)
- Solicitation (S3): full technical design for an MREFC candidate (1 awarded - Homestake)
- Town Meeting at NSF, November 2007
- Solicitation (S4): technical design of initial suite

DUSEL FAQs

- NSF POC
- Community Involvement/Science Case
- Interdisciplinary Scope
- MREFC Status
- Timeframe
- **TPC**
- Initial Suite (S4)
- R&D Support from NSF & DOE
- DOE and International Partnerships
- Interim Use of State-Private Operation (SUSEL)

Community Planning Activities

- Bahcall report (2001)
- •NSAC Long-Range Plan (2002)
- •NESS 2002
- Connecting Quarks to the Cosmos (NRC, 2003)
- HEPAP Long-Range Plan (2003)
- Neutrinos and Beyond (NRC, 2003)
- **EarthLab** (2003)
- DOE 20-yr. Facility Plan
- Physics of the Universe—A Strategic Plan for Federal Research at the Intersection of Physics and Astronomy (NSTC) 2004
- The Neutrino Matrix (Four APS Divisions) 2004
- Quantum Universe—The Revolution in 21st Century Particle Physics, HEPAP, 2004
- A lot more activity in 2005-7: NuSAG, DarkMatterSAG, P5, EPP2010, DEEP SCIENCE, workshops.

