



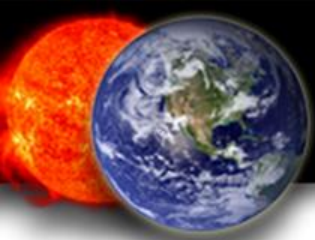
# SWPC SWFO User Readiness



**Safeguarding Society with  
Actionable Space Weather Information**

**Mon, 15 Apr 2024**





# Outline

Background

GOES-U

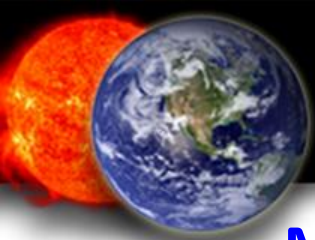
SWFO-L1

Conclusion



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# SWPC Mission and SWFO

## Models, Applications, and Displays associated with coronagraph images and real-time solar wind data

### Models

WSA-Enlil  
OVATION (Aurora)  
Geospace  
WAM-IPE  
REFM  
CTIPe  
Goelectric  
Magnetopause  
crossing

**SWPC Data Service**

### Forecaster tools

CME Analysis Tool (CAT)  
CME Naming Tool (CMEN)  
Near-real-time movie loops (24-  
hr, 7-day, 27-day)

### Dashboards

Aviation, Electric Power,  
Emergency Management,  
Satellites, GPS, Radio  
Communications, Space Weather  
Enthusiasts

### Web Displays

Coronagraph images and movies  
Real-Time Solar Wind

### National Critical Notifications

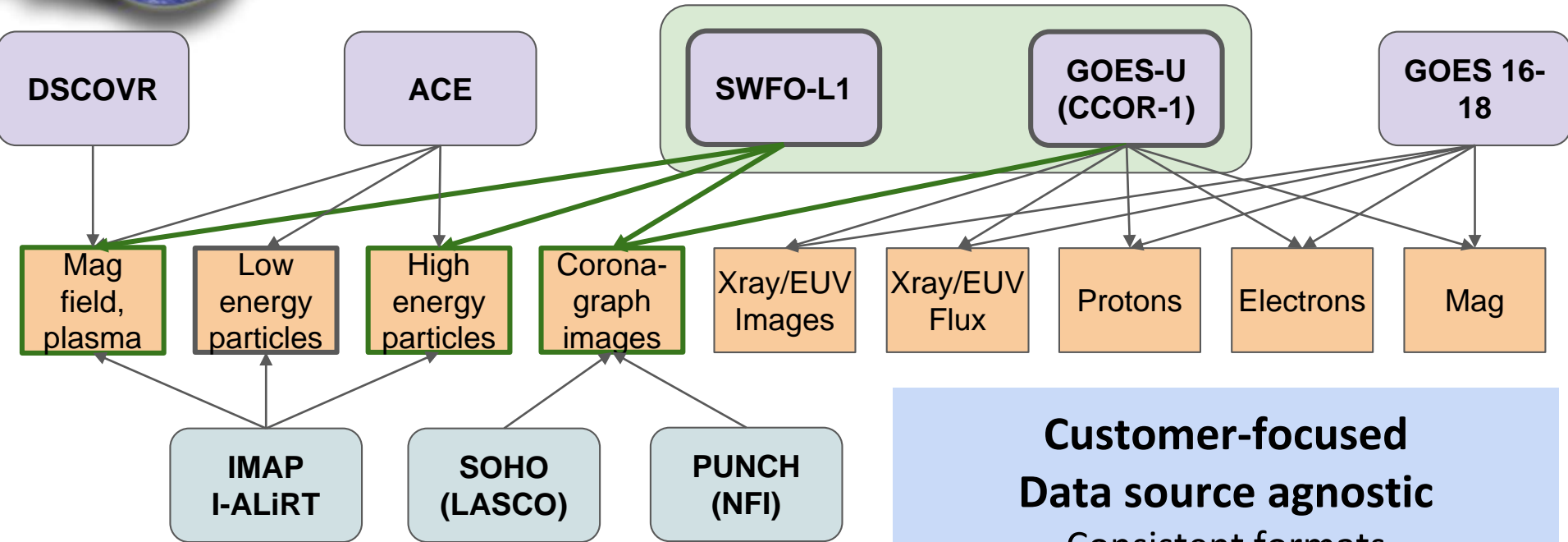
Power Grid (NERC Hotline)  
FEMA

### Forecasts, Reports, Watches, and Warnings

Geomagnetic Storm Watches  
Aviation Advisories  
Forecast Discussion  
Weekly Highlights and 27-day  
Forecast  
Solar and Geophysical Event  
Reports



# Product Philosophy



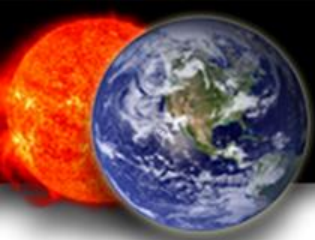
- NOAA
- Observation
- non-NOAA

**Customer-focused**  
**Data source agnostic**  
Consistent formats  
Consistent content  
Supports continuity of users



# Continuity and Change

Measurement	Today	SWFO/GOES-U
<b>Coronal Images</b>	SOHO LASCO C2 & C3  Pass through from NASA/GSFC, 12 min cadence	GOES-U CCOR-1 SWFO-L1 CCOR-2 2048x1920 pix; 15 min cadence; jpeg files; 1, 7, 27 day animations, FITS
<b>Thermal Plasma Ion Velocity, Density, and Temperature</b>	ACE SWEFAM DSCOVR FC 1 min cadence, ASCII, JSON	SWFO-L1 SWiPS 1 min cadence, JSON, Dynamic displays
<b>Suprathermal Ion Differential Flux</b>	ACE EPAM 5 min cadence, ASCII, JSON	SWFO-L1 STIS 1 min cadence, JSON, Dynamic displays
<b>Vector Magnetic Field</b>	ACE DSCOVR MAG 1 min cadence, ASCII, JSON	SWFO-L1 MAG; 1 sec cadence, 1 min cadence, JSON, Dynamic displays



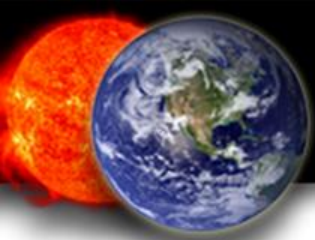
# Level 3 Data Products

- CCOR
  - Images at 15 minute cadence
  - Incorporated into animations
- MAG
  - 1 sec cadence
  - 1 min cadence synced with UTC
- SWiPS
  - 1 min cadence synced with UTC
- STIS
  - 1 min cadence synced with UTC
  - Selected Energy channels
    - ACE/EPAM (8/4 ion/electron channels) for data continuity

**Level 3** data products are derived environmental variables that have been resampled. They are the primary products used by forecasters and customers

From full resolution right now extending back to ACE mission

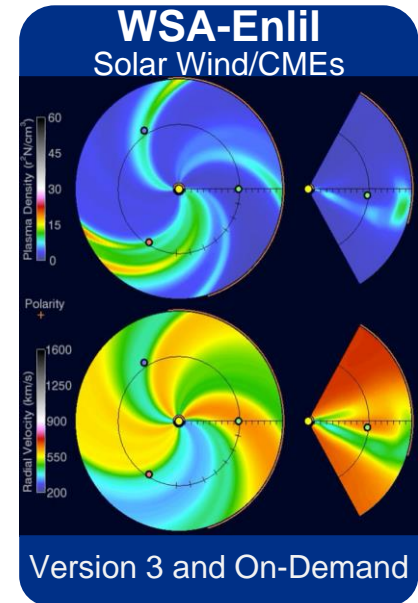
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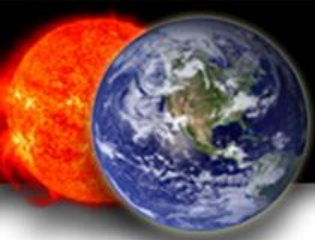


# GOES-U Launch NET June 25, 2024



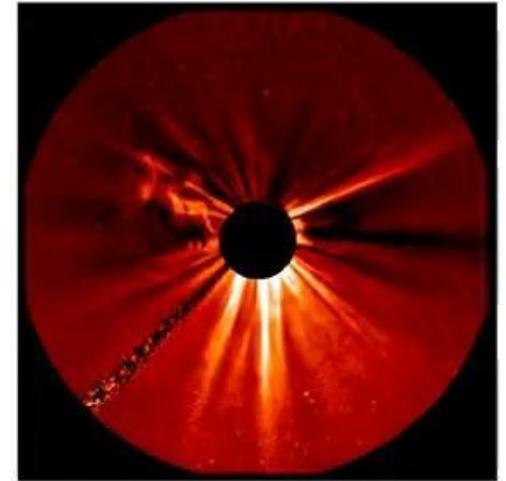
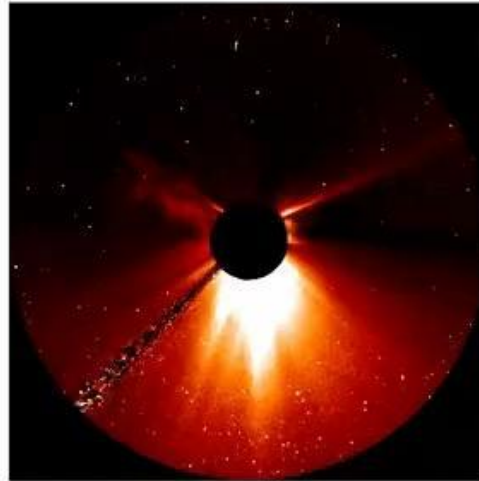
- Software
  - Launch-ready release 3.0 Dec. 20, 2023
  - CME Analysis Tool (CAT) integration
- Testing
  - System integration tests January - March 2024
  - Public web display
- Training
  - Forecaster familiarization and training briefings
- Future work
  - UKMO pyCAT collaboration
  - Investigating JHelioviewer support





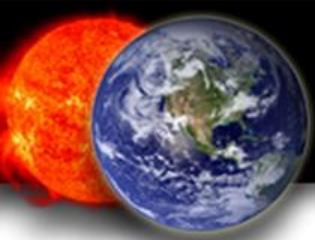
# CCOR Level 3 Products

- High-quality images for use with movies, applications, forecasts, alerts
- Downsample 50% for use by SWPC forecasters and stakeholders.
  - 1024 x 960 for optimal viewing on computer screens
  - Movies 1 day, 7 day, 27 day (no decimation, 96 frames/day)



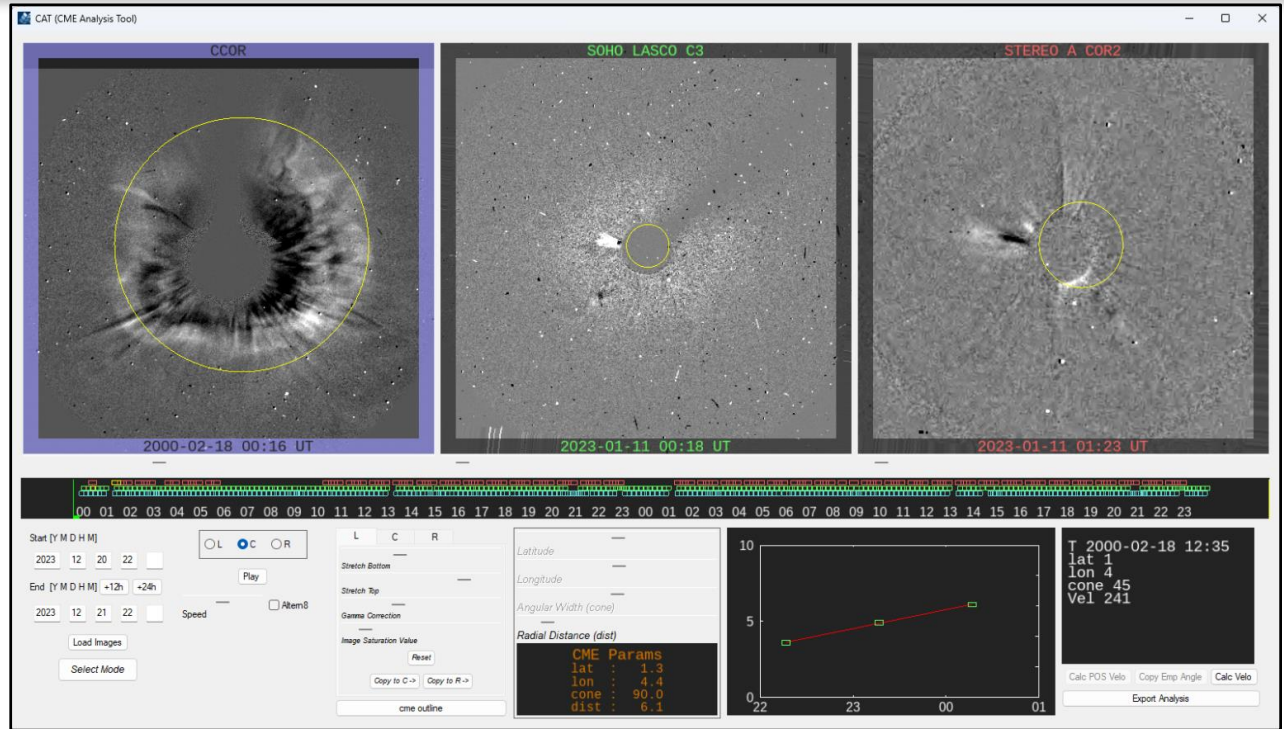
Level 3 processing removes noise and enhances feature compared to LASCSCO C3

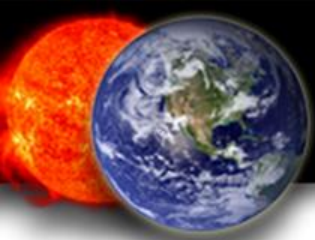




# CME Analysis Tool (CAT)

- Measurements:
  - Speed
  - Angular extent
  - Plane of sky (POS) angle
- Essential input for WSA-Enlil solar wind model



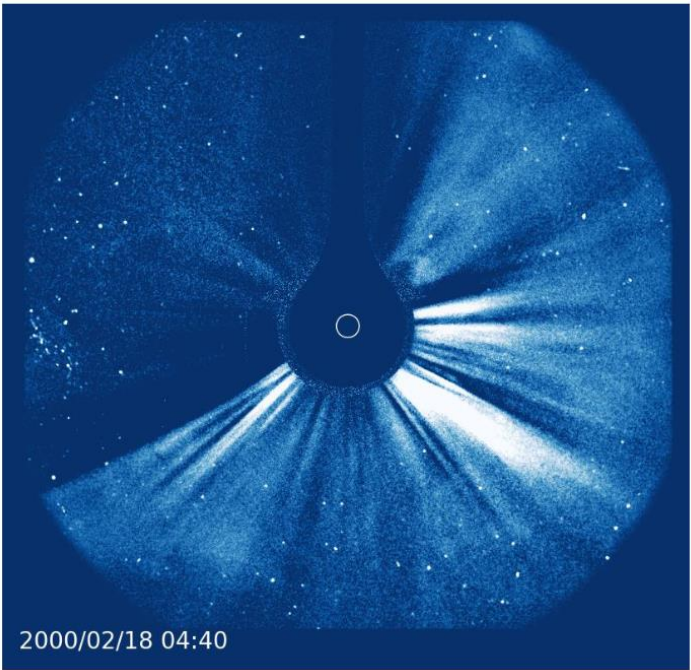


# Public Web Display

- Purpose: Situational Awareness
- Data flow to website and animations demonstrated
- RT JPEG images and MPEG movie files provided for download



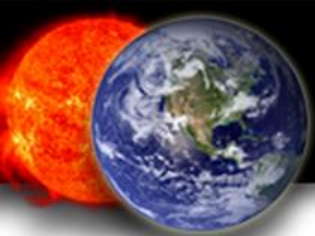
CCOR-1 CORONAGRAPH - EXPERIMENTAL



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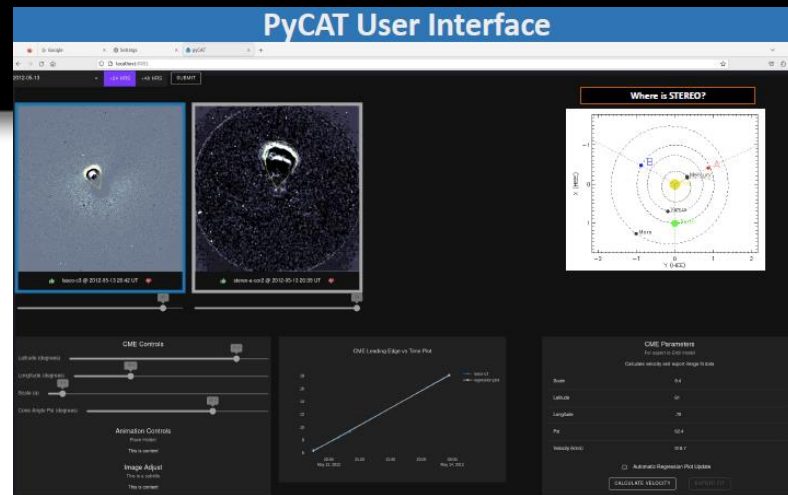
Usage Impacts Details History Data

LASCO images have been used by the SWPC forecast office to characterize the solar corona heating and transient events, including CME's, and to see the effects of the corona on the solar wind. More recently, the LASCO images are vital to the WSA-Enlil model that became operational in October of 2011. WSA-Enlil has become an important tool for forecasting the impact of Coronal Mass Ejections and the effects of the Solar Wind on the Earth.

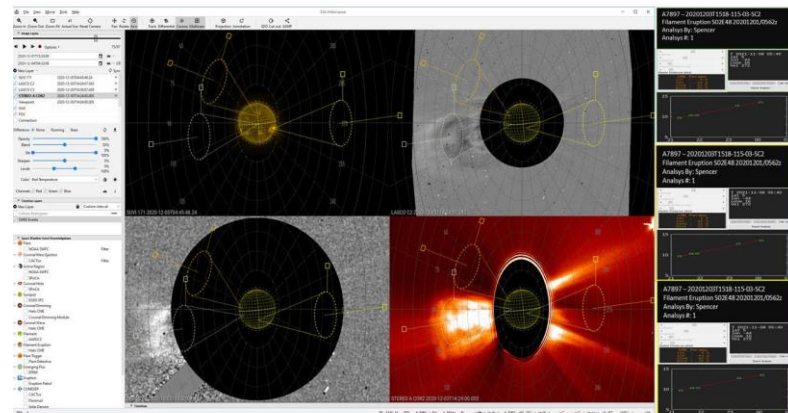


# Future Work

- pyCAT
  - Joint effort with UKMO
  - Migrate CAT from IDL to Python
  - Extend capabilities
- JHelioviewer
  - Provide compatibility with this workhorse application
  - Integrate with other solar image data
  - JPEG2000 file support



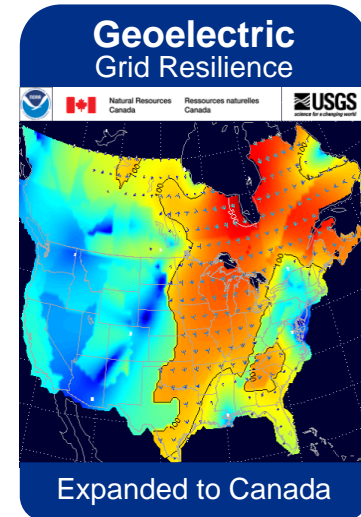
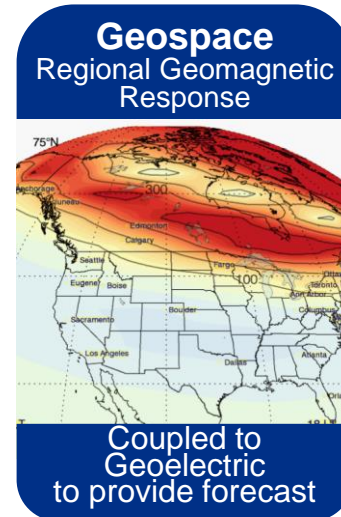
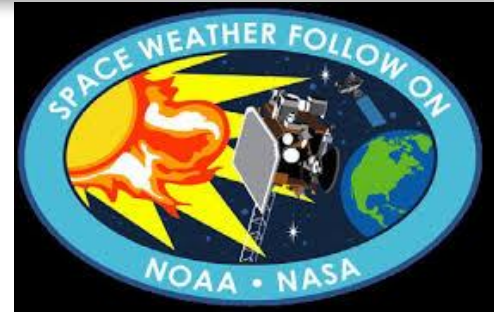
JHelioviewer





# SWFO-L1 Launch NET April 2025

- System
  - System Integration Review January 23-24
- Software
  - Awaiting some algorithm inputs
  - Launch Ready Release 4.0  
September 2024
  - Timeline Viewer for data display
- Future Work
  - Artemis Support
  - Predictive Geoelectric Model

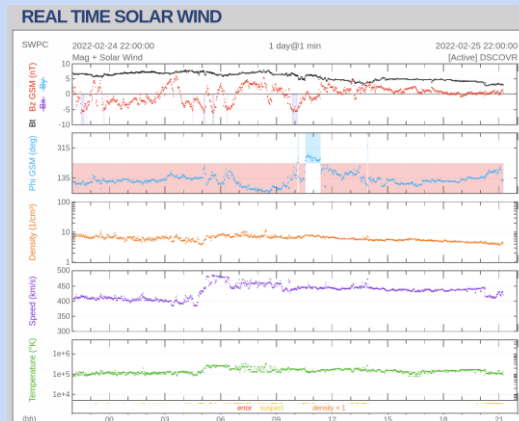




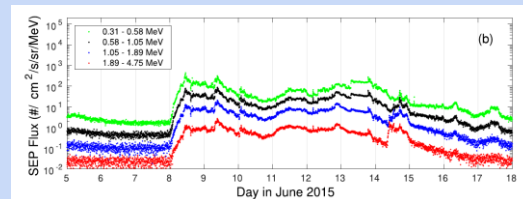
# SWiPS and MAG

- SWiPS - Thermal Plasma
  - Ion velocity, density, and temperature
- MAG
  - Vector Magnetic Field
- STIS
  - Suprathermal Ion Differential Flux
  - 8/4 ion/electron channels
  - Data continuity with ACE/EPAM

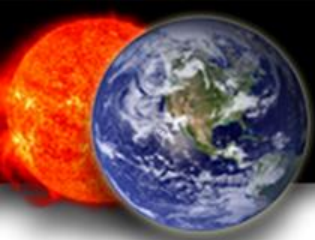
## “SWiPS” and MAG (DSCOVR)



## “STIS” Suprathermal protons (ACE/EPAM)



Thampi et al (2019)

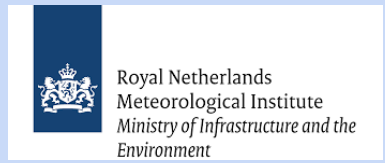


# Applications

- SWiPS & MAG
  - Used for CME Arrival
    - Arrival time from speed
    - Intensity estimate from Bz, density, speed
    - Drives Geospace model
- STIS
  - Provides situational awareness, alerts, and advanced warnings of approaching CMEs



New Display and data services based on HAPI and KNMI timeline viewer

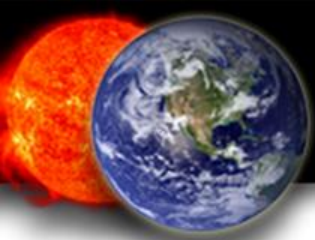


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**HAPI: An API Standard for Accessing Heliophysics Time Series Data**

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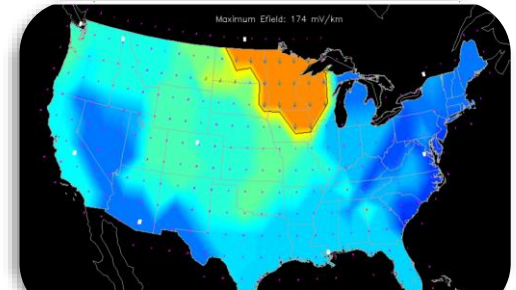
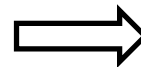
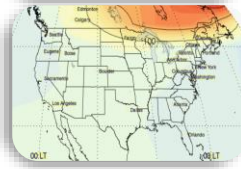
# Future Work

- Dashboard for NASA SRAG Artemis support
  - Coronagraph (LASCO; CCOR)
  - RTSW (ACE/DSCOVR; SWiPS & MAG)
  - Suprathermal Ions (ACE EPAM; STIS)
  - Target readiness L-1 year for testing and training
- Predictive Regional Geoelectric Fields Model

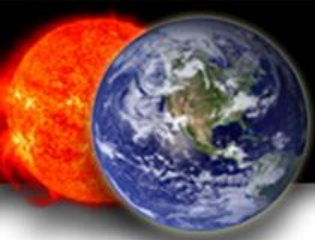


Real-Time  
Ground-Based Magnetometer Data

Geospace Predicted Ground-Based  
Magnetic Field Data



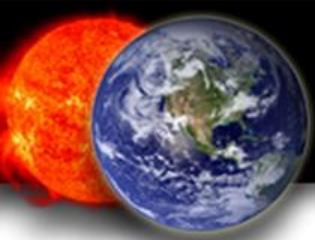
**Geoelectric Field Map**



## Access

- SWPC data products served to the public via SWPC's website:
  - <https://www.swpc.noaa.gov/products>
- Visualization tools are provided; data files can be downloaded:
  - <https://www.swpc.noaa.gov/products/real-time-solar-wind>
- Web service provided for use by automated systems:
  - <https://www.swpc.noaa.gov/content/data-access>
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- Archive is maintained by NCEI

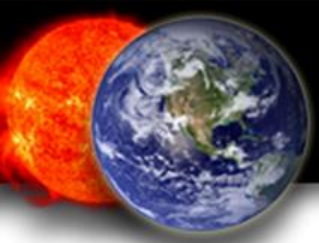




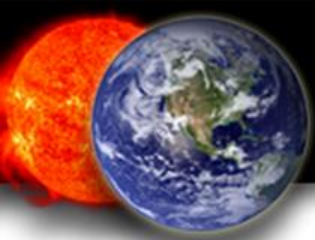
# Conclusion

- SWPC's product-centric, source-agnostic approach serves RTSW and Coronagraph data through a wide variety of products and services to support our customers
- GOES-U and CCOR are ready for launch, post-launch testing, and will be ready for operations
- SWFO-L1 efforts are proceeding on pace and will ultimately provide new predictive capabilities and support for Artemis





# Backup Slides



# Quality Management System (QMS) Certification

**SWPC's newly implemented QMS recommended for ISO 9001:2015 certification!**

## Certification Audit

**Zero non-conformities:**

A remarkable accomplishment for a newly implemented QMS.

**Audit report - highly effective processes:**

Customer Focus  
Risk Management  
Action Internal Audit System  
Review

Leadership  
Corrective  
Mgmt



Government and Military Certification Systems, Inc.

Finalizing The Assessment ISO 9001 & The 7 Management Principles	
<i>Notes to Auditor: Complete this portion during Auditor Caucus time prior to closing meeting. Any "Not Effective" response should be followed by placing a note in the "Notes" section below. This portion will be used as one measure of quality management system improvement between surveillance/recertification audits.</i>	
Complete for ISO 9001: 2015 Assessments.	
<b>CUSTOMER FOCUS</b> - The organization has demonstrated a high level of customer focus and awareness. Customer needs are clearly understood and customer requirements are being met.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Highly Effective <input type="checkbox"/> Effective <input type="checkbox"/> Effective But Needs Improvement <input type="checkbox"/> Not Effective
<b>LEADERSHIP</b> - The organization has demonstrated effective leadership necessary to ensure effective quality management that has enhanced customer satisfaction. Personnel are involved in meeting organizational goals and objectives.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Highly Effective <input type="checkbox"/> Effective <input type="checkbox"/> Effective But Needs Improvement <input type="checkbox"/> Not Effective
<b>INVOLVEMENT OF PEOPLE</b> - The organization has demonstrated effective use of personnel and has involved people throughout the organization to bring about effective quality management.	<input type="checkbox"/> Highly Effective <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Effective <input type="checkbox"/> Effective But Needs Improvement <input type="checkbox"/> Not Effective
<b>PROCESS APPROACH</b> - The organization has demonstrated effective process-based quality management and has identified and managed its linked processes effectively. Linkages between processes are adequately defined and implemented.	<input type="checkbox"/> Highly Effective <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Effective <input type="checkbox"/> Effective But Needs Improvement <input type="checkbox"/> Not Effective
<b>SYSTEM APPROACH</b> - The organization has demonstrated effective management of its system of related processes in meeting its objectives.	<input type="checkbox"/> Highly Effective <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Effective <input type="checkbox"/> Effective But Needs Improvement <input type="checkbox"/> Not Effective
<b>CONTINUAL IMPROVEMENT</b> - The organization has demonstrated that it has implemented effective improvement processes that measure and report upon the organizations performance.	<input type="checkbox"/> Highly Effective <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Effective <input type="checkbox"/> Effective But Needs Improvement <input type="checkbox"/> Not Effective
<b>RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES</b> - The organizations has an effective system to address risks and opportunities.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Highly Effective <input type="checkbox"/> Effective <input type="checkbox"/> Effective But Needs Improvement <input type="checkbox"/> Not Effective
<b>CORRECTIVE ACTION</b> - The organization has demonstrated that it understands root cause analysis, correction, and corrective action AND understands that the sources of correction action can originate from audit results, process failure, product failure, customer complaints, and supplier nonconformances.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Highly Effective <input type="checkbox"/> Effective <input type="checkbox"/> Effective But Needs Improvement <input type="checkbox"/> Not Effective
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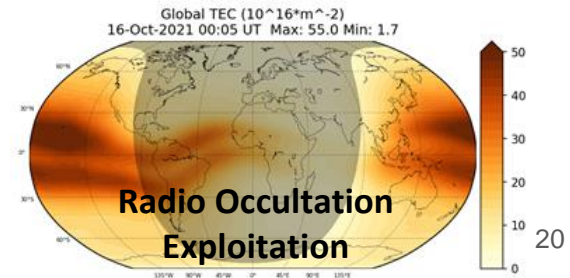
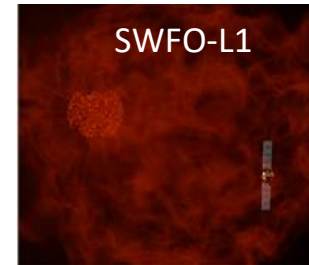
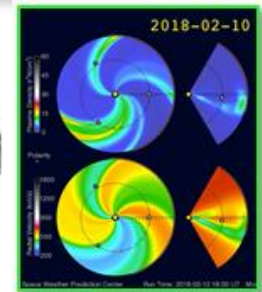
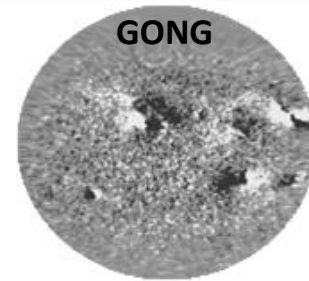
### Management System Overall Effectiveness Over Three Years:

Stage 2 Audit  Highly Effective  Effective  Effective But Needs Improvement  Not Effective



# Observations Improvements

- Global Oscillation Network Group (**GONG**)
  - Operational Sustainment and Resiliency
  - GONG Replacement
- Assessment of **commercial magnetometers**
  - CRADA w/ Computational Physics, Inc.
- Radio Occultation Exploitation (**Spire**)
- GOES-R Integration - **GOES 17 & 18**
- Space Weather Follow-On (**SWFO**)
- NESDIS **Space Weather Next** Program

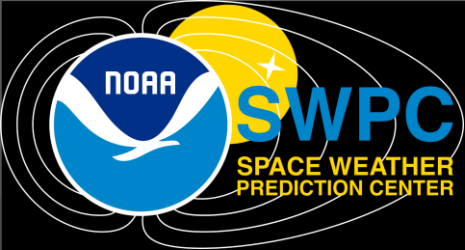




# Near-Real-Time Files

- L3 data product files will be continuously updated for use by forecasters to monitor real-time data.
  - Accessible by forecasters within SWPC via https protocol.
  - Pushed to the [swpc.noaa.gov](https://swpc.noaa.gov) for access by external users.
- MAG/SWiPS/STIS
  - Time series data will be in JavaScript Object Notation (JSON) files extending the legacy DSCOVN/ACE paradigm.
  - HAPI, KNMI Timeline Viewer
- Near-real-time files are ‘renderings’ of L3 data
  - Only the L3 data itself is archived



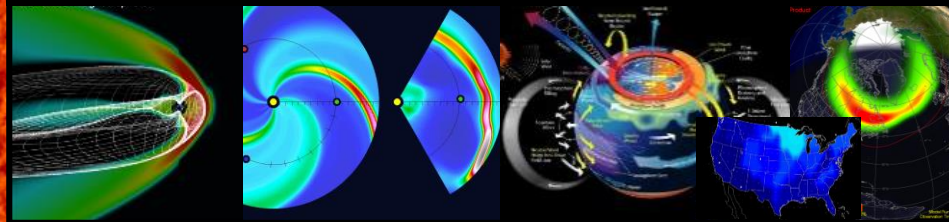


# Space Weather-Ready Nation

## A Nation Ready, Responsive, and Resilient to Space Weather



*Improved understanding with new modeling and R2O2R capabilities*



*Partnerships – the entire Space Weather Enterprise working together*



*Better information connected to key stakeholders for better decisions - enhance National resilience*