# The Sanford Underground Research Facility

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# **SDSTA Mission and Vision**

# Mission: We advance world class science and inspire learning across generations.

Vision: The world's preferred location for underground science and education.

### Sanford Underground Research Facility Nation's underground lab to advance multi-disciplinary research

Surface Lab (incl CRs, RRS) Warehouse + Shop (New)

Rock Conveyor

Visitor Center

**Open Cut** 

### **Ross Complex**

~1 km<sup>2</sup> / 223 acres (surface) ~31 km<sup>2</sup> / 7700 acres (UG) **Yates Complex** 

Opened July 2007 as dedicated science laboratory (+ Davis legacy) Created by the State of South Dakota with donations from Barrick/Homestake (property) and T. Denny Sanford (\$70M) Continued strong support by the State of South Dakota (\$95M) Operations funded by US Dept of Energy Cooperative Agreement

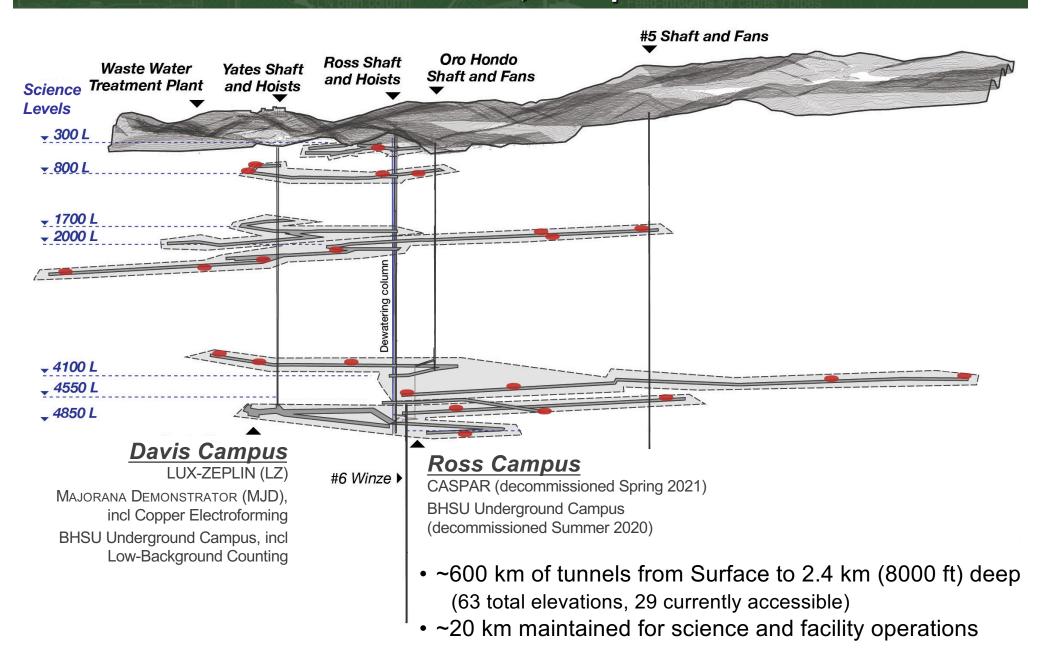
### **New Rounds Operations Center Completed** \$6.5M South Dakota commitment - 26,000 sq. ft. total



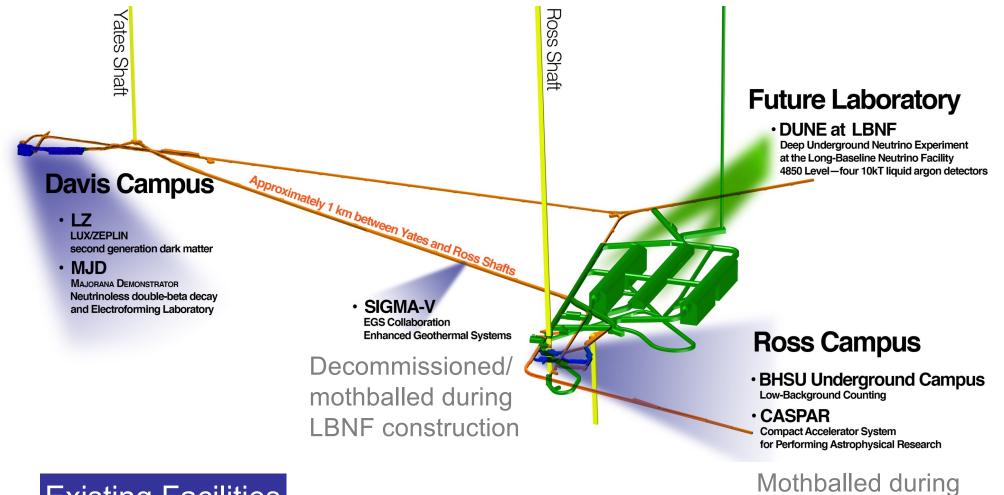
# **ROC Ribbon Cutting – Aug 20**



# SURF Underground Lab Geography Yates & Ross + ventilation shafts, multiple levels for science



# Current & Future Underground Facilities SURF research through 2050 and beyond

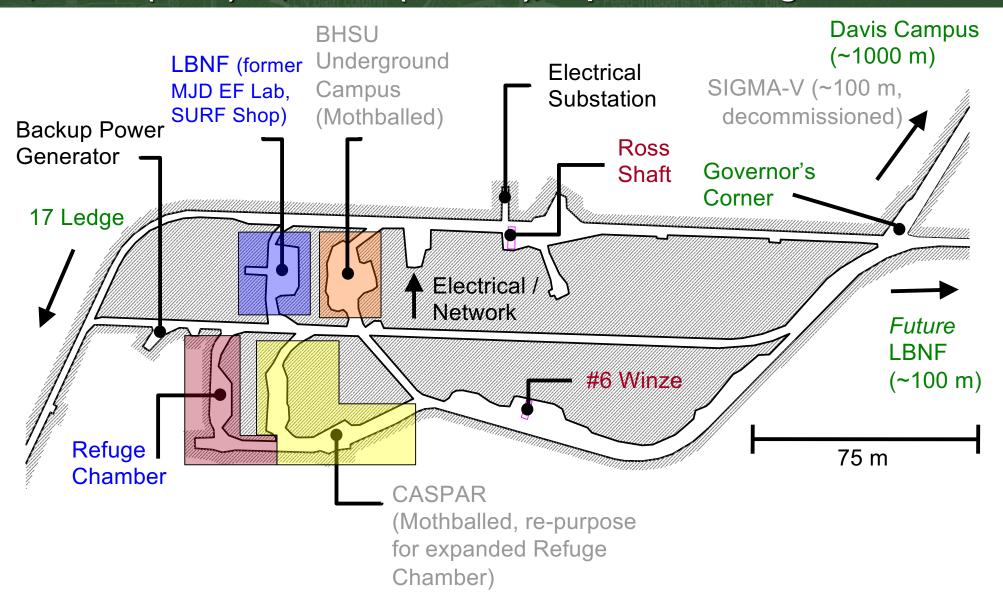


### **Existing Facilities**

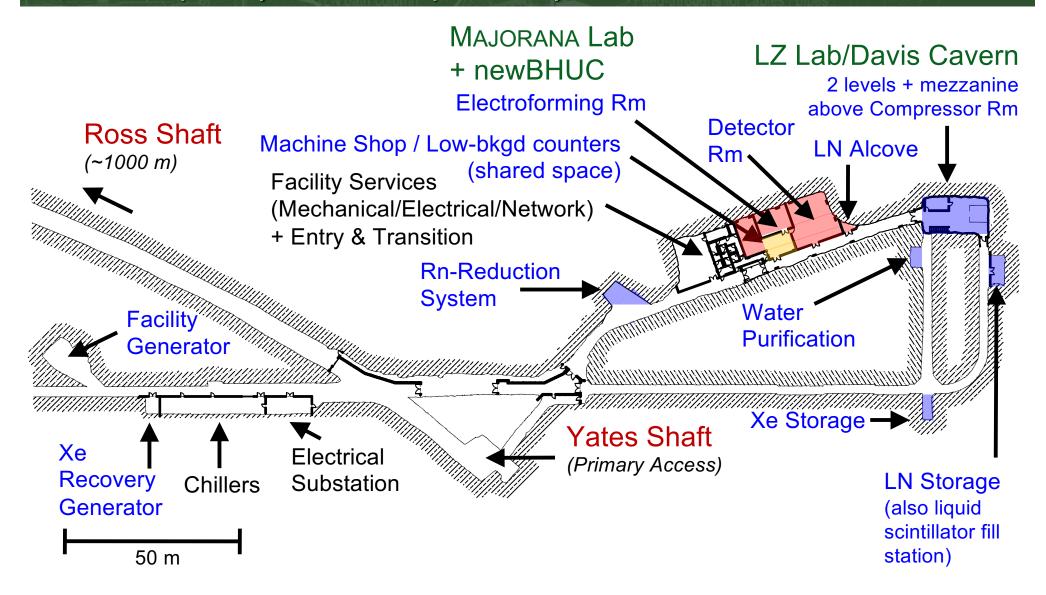
**Future Facilities** 

**I BNF** construction

## **4850L Ross Campus** 2,645 m<sup>2</sup> (Total) / 1,150 m<sup>2</sup> (Science), Improve Existing Excavations



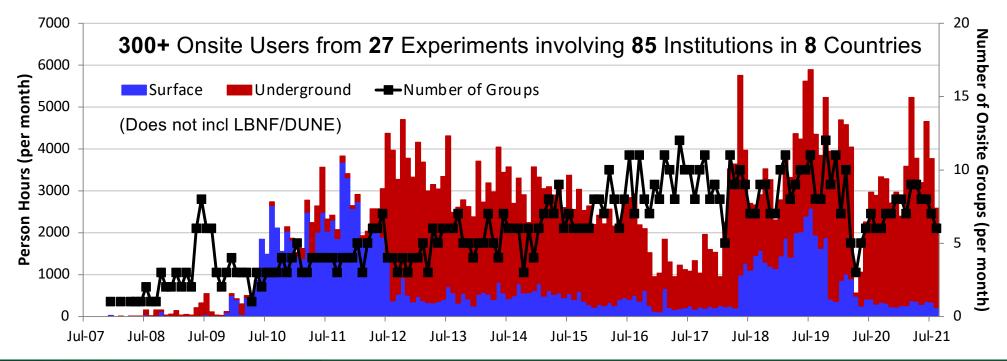
# **4850L Davis Campus** 3,015 m<sup>2</sup> (Total) / 1,015 m<sup>2</sup> (Science), New Excavation+Davis Cavern



# **SURF Overview** Serving a diverse community of researchers

### Facility Highlights

- World-class services and unique attributes attractive to physics, biology, geology and engineering
- Deep (1500 m, 4300 mwe) underground facility dedicated for science, with capacity & expansion possibilities (SURF strategic plan incl additional laboratories and deeper access to 2300 m, 6500 mwe)
- Redundant safe access with 2 principal shafts (incl redundant power and network utilities)
- Robust Organization: Resources to ensure safe and successful science: 187 full/part-time staff, 11 departments, ESH (incl nurse, 24-hr emergency response), Engineering, Operations, Science + others
- Mature Programs: Experiment implementation & safety; also monitoring (see backup)
- Community: SURF User Association launched in 2020, SURF Science Program Advisory Cmttee established in 2021. Both groups support application to become DOE Office of Science User Facility



# **SURF Science Support**

**Resources for Safe and Efficient Implementation of Experiments** 



Markus Horn (PhD) **Research Scientist** 

- Surface + UG Campuses

**Charles Maupin (BSME, PE)** Expt Review Engineer - Reviews, cryogen safety





Mark Hanhardt (MS) Expt Support Scientist - Surface + UG Campuses



David Rynders (CHP, CSP) Expt Health & Safety - Health physics, radiation



T. Regan, G. Vandine Safety, UG Coordination - Bio/geology (no pic)



Jaret Heise (PhD) – Director



J. Connot, Others UG Operations Eng. UG Maintenance Crew - Ventilation, prep (no pic)



Robyn Varland - Lab Custodians (Surface + UG) - Melissa Johnston

Doug Tiedt (PhD) **Research Scientist** - Surface + UG Campuses

Sarah Wortman (+ Service Contracts) Facilities Technician

- Surface + UG lab system maintenance



# **SURF Current Science Program**

Research activities ranging from surface to 1500+ m underground

Physics LZ – Dark matter, 2-phase Xe TPC MAJORANA DEMONSTRATOR / LEGEND – Neutrinoless double-beta decay Ge-76, also Cu e-forming, planning Ta-180m CASPAR – Nuclear astrophysics with 1 MV accelerator LBNF/DUNE – Neutrino properties, etc BHUC – BHSU Underground Campus, mainly material screening Berkeley LBF – Low-bkgd counter (x3); also CUBED – Low-bkgd counter (x1) nEXO – Low-bkgd counter (x1) LLNL – Low-bkgd counter (x1) SDSMT Bkgds – Neutron bkgds Biology Astrobiology/DeMMO – In-situ cultivation, DNA isolation 2D-Best – Biofilms (SDSMT, USD, SDSU) Biodiversity – Microbial communities Biofuels – Extremophile bioprospecting BuG ReMeDEE – Methane oxidation Carbon Sequestration – Biology in core Chemistry – Env characterization Liberty BioSecurity\* – Extremophiles

**Geology** SIGMA-V – Geothermal

Core Archive\* – Mainly gold deposits Hydro Gravity – Local gravity for water tables, densities Transparent Earth – Seismic arrays

Total = 27 Groups 20 Active Projects (57 Total Groups Since 2007)

Significant interest from others (16 groups in 2020)

**Engineering** Xilinx, Inc\* – *Chip error testing* 

Thermal Breakout – In situ stress Shotcrete – Mining safety

GEOX<sup>™</sup> – Env monitoring

Caterpillar\* - Mining processes

Blast Monitoring - LBNF-related

\* Denotes proprietary group

### **Experiment Implementation Program** Identify Interfaces and Hazards within Approval Framework

- <u>https://www.sanfordlab.org/researchers/proposal-guidelines</u>
- Project Documentation
  - Expression of Interest, incl support letters
  - Experiment Planning Statement
  - Memorandum of Understanding (space commitment)
  - Access: Request form, waiver, insurance
  - Services Agreement(s), if applicable
    - General Services Agreement: Who provides what and who pays
    - Contract(s): Specific expenses, direct use of SURF staff
  - Experiment Decommissioning Statement

#### • Environment, Safety & Health

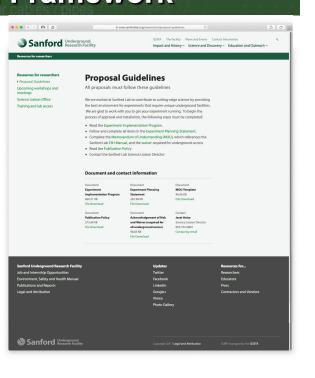
- Hazard Analysis: Assessments/analyses (e.g., ODH), procedures, testing/certifications
- Inventories: Chemical, electrical, hoisting & rigging, pressure vessel, radioactive materials
- Training: Sanford Lab modules, Expt training plan (incl equivalences), recordkeeping

#### Reviews

- Facility, walk-through inspections, monitoring, readiness reviews (safety, operation)
- Commensurate with hazards

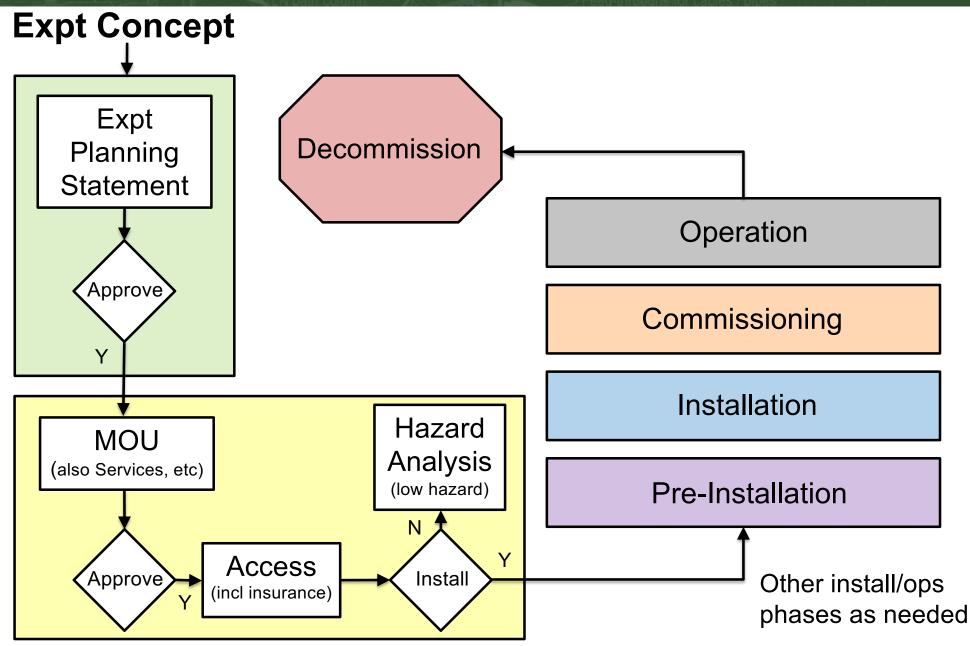
#### Authorization

- Work planning & controls (procedure reviews/approvals, release), Science/ESH + SMEs
- Authorization To Proceed for significant installation and associated significant hazards



# **Experiment Implementation Program**

#### **Process Flow Chart**



## **SURF COVID-19 Response** Effective measures limiting COVID spread at SURF

### Initial:

- Brief period of minimal essential operations:
  - Mar 25 May 6, 2021: Access limited, critical monitoring/maintenance, consumable supplies (e.g., LN) still supported; some surface activities resumed in April
- Monitored data in 100-mile region, scrutiny on travel
- Controls developed based on CDC, OSHA:
  - Masks required in buildings/labs, respirators required on conveyances
  - Reduced #s on conveyances & meeting rooms, telework encouraged
  - Wellness checks at site entrances
- Significant collaboration institutional travel restrictions
- Large in-person events canceled or virtualized (e.g., Neutrino Day 2020 & 2021)

### **Current:**

- Masks required for personnel in buildings/labs and conveyances per CDC based on elevated county virus transmission metrics (cases, positivity)
- Restricted occupancy in some areas, limited in-person events

# **SURF User Association**

#### Purpose

- Promotes open discussion on relevant topics for researchers performing science at SURF
- Provides a means for SURF management to inform users on issues including current and future plans for the facility
- Promotes a sense of community amongst SURF experiments and researchers
- Articulates and promotes scientific case for UG science and significance to society, provides channel for advocacy

#### Organization

- Membership open to Underground Science Community (initially was active SURF researchers). Annual meeting
- Executive Committee consists of 9 individuals across scientific disciplines, incl early career. Two-year terms (except first year in order to provide overlap), limits per experiment and institution. Quarterly meetings

#### Status

- Charter initially approved in Feb 2020, updated in Aug 2021 to broaden membership (need to formalize registration process)
- Executive Committee elections conducted in Oct 2020, members announced Dec 2020, officers selected Jan 2021 (chair and secretary). Next election soon!
- Association organized SURF Vision Workshop Sep 14-15; also General Meeting Sep 28-29 (now!)

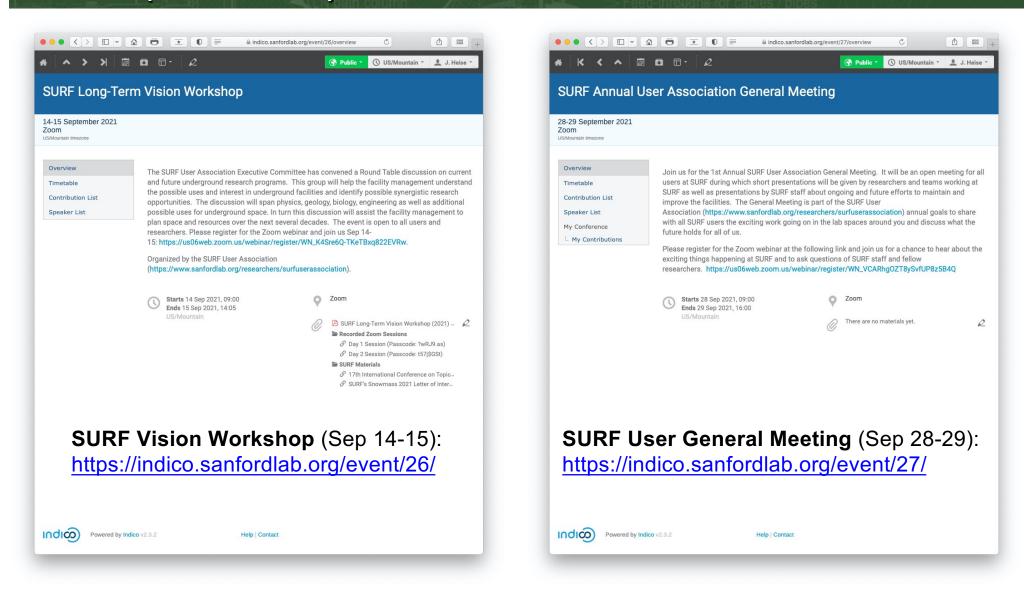
SDSTA The Facility News and Events Contact Information DONATE Sanford Underground Research Facility Impact and History ~ Science and Discovery ~ Education and Outreach ~ See how SURF is responding to the COVID-19 viru Lab access and training Proposal Guidelines SURF User Association Upcoming workshops and Membership includes active researchers with a professional Science Liaison Office interest in the scientific program at SURF. SURF User Association The SURF User Association 1. Promotes open discussion on relevant topics for rese science at SURF 2. Provides a means for SURF management to inform users on issues including current and future plans for the facility 3. Promotes a sense of community amongst SURF experiments and researcher 4. Articulates and promotes scientific case for UG science and its significance to Membership includes active researchers with a professional interest in the scientific program at SURF. An Executive Committee conducts the day-to-day business of the Association and consists of 9 individuals: At least one (1) early career or young researcher (less than 5 years post-Ph.D.) At least two (2) representatives of the physics community: At least two (2) representatives of the biology-geoscience-engineering community. At least one meeting of the general membership will be held each year. SURF User Association News October 21, 2020: Executive Committee nomination deadline July 28, 2020: Nominating Committee appointed Documents and Download SURF User Association Charter 283.96 KB

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https://www.sanfordlab.org/researchers/surfuserassociation

# SURF User Association Recent (and Current) Events



# SURF Conferences Upcoming Events



#### May 11-13, 2022:

Conference on Science at SURF (SD Mines)

#### Stay Tuned for More Details!



#### Low Radioactivity Techniques Portal

Find information on past and future LRT workshops here, as well as links to relevant resources.

The Low Radioactivity Techniques (LRT) workshop series examines topics in low radioactivity materials and techniques, a fundamental aspect of rare event searches.

Topics include global radioactivity measurement and screening facilities, low background counting techniques, purification and contamination control, Rn control, comsogenic activation of materials, and backgrounds and simulations for rare event experiments related to dark matter, solar neutrinos, double-beta decay and long half-life phenomena. This conference's wide scope includes all aspects of the development of low background detectors and techniques.

#### Upcoming LRT Workshop:

SD Mines campus + SURF June 13-17, 2022

#### Past LRT Workshops:

- LRT2017 at Ewha Womans University hosted by the Institute for Basic Science, Seoul, South Korea
- LRT2015 hosted jointly by PNNL and the University of Washington in Seattle, USA.

#### Jun 13-17, 2022:

Low Radioactivity Techniques (SD Mines + SURF)

# **SURF Science Program Advisory Committee**

#### Purpose

- Science Program: Provide guidance on overall SURF scientific program (incl current, planned/proposed experiments), as well as direction and breadth of program
- Science Support: Advise on SURF experiment implementation program and organizational capacity to support experiments
- Science Facilities: Advise on capability and capacity of the SURF facility necessary to support the SURF scientific program

#### **Committee Membership**

- SPAC consists of up to **14 members**, representing breadth of SURF research disciplines with strategic and synergistic influences (SDSTA Laboratory and Science Directors *ex-officio*)
- Members: Two-year terms (extendable). Chair: One-year term (extendable)
- Selection of new members made by SDSTA Laboratory + Science Directors in consultation with SDSTA IDEA Office

#### Status

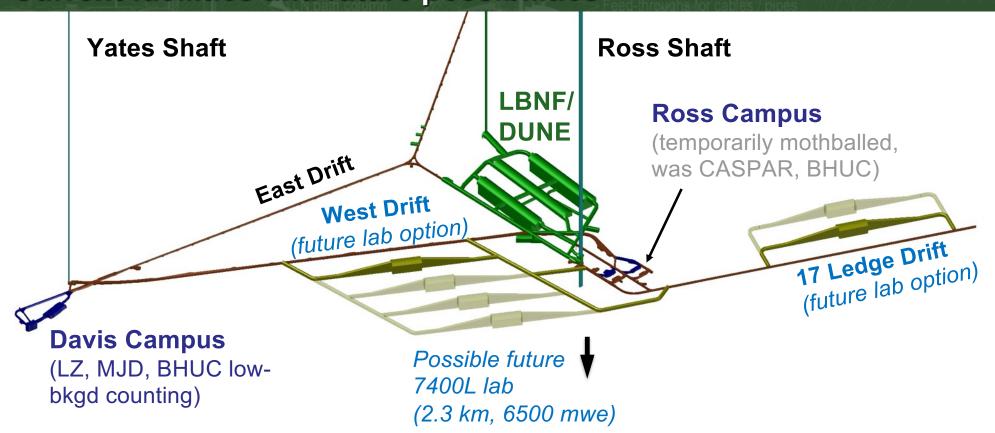
- SPAC charter formalized in May 2021, committee members finalized in Sep 2021
- Planning first meeting in 2021, incl engage on SURF strategic items such as additional UG lab space, Snowmass, etc

- 1. David MacFarlane (SLAC/Chair)
- 2. Kate Scholberg (Duke)
- 3. Ed Blucher (Chicago)
- 4. Hamish Robertson (Washington)
- 5. Federica Petricca (Max Planck)
- 6. Barbara Szczerbinska (TAMU-CC)
- 7. Joseph Formaggio (MIT)
- 8. Magdalena Osburn (Northwestern)
- 9. Mary Voytek (NASA)
- 10. Derek Elsworth (Penn State)
- 11. Hunter Knox (PNNL)
- 12. William Roggenthen (SDSMT)
- 13. Lance Roberts (SDSMT)
- 14. Kathryn Johnson (RCC/former SD BoR)

# **SURF 15-Year Horizon Goals**

- LBNF and DUNE have been constructed and are fully operational.
- Two additional large lab modules on the 4850L have been constructed and are operational.
- Construction is underway on two 7400L lab modules including the required underground access infrastructure for experiments with increased shielding requirements.
- Provide broader underground access to a range of science disciplines including below the 5000L.
- SURF Institute has been constructed and is fully operational with compelling, vibrant science and education programs.
- Foster commercial partnerships to advance technology development in the region, increase facility ops efficiency and safety, and expand workforce development opportunities.

# SURF Underground Facility Expansion Current facilities and future possibilities



- LBNF construction at SURF started Jan 2019; excavation and concrete underway, complete by Nov 2023; outfitting complete Jul 2025, cryostat #1 complete Apr 2026
- Expansion possibilities: 4850L (as indicated), possible 7400L (2300 m, 6500 mwe)
  - Engaging design firm to conduct 4850L feasibility study in 2021
- Future space development must be responsive to **community's needs**:
  - SURF participating in Snowmass, SURF LOI submitted for Underground Facilities Frontier: <u>https://www.snowmass21.org/docs/files/?dir=summaries/UF/</u>
  - Planning Snowmass whitepaper to document SURF capabilities and future plans

# **Education and Outreach "Why"**

Every student deserves:

- High Quality
- Engaging
- Relevant
- Equitable
- Rigorous



science learning opportunities.

# **Defining the E&O "How"**

Create experiences, resources and supports that move classroom experiences from "Learning About" to "Figuring Out" – and leverage the engineering and unsettled science of Sanford Lab.



# **Describing the E&O "What"**

- 1. Field Trips
- 2. School Presentations
- 3. Curriculum Units
- 4. Teacher Professional Development & Support







# **E&O – Next Steps**

**Building Relationships** 

- Expanding the number of schools and students impacted annually
- Increasing the percentage of rural and tribal partner districts

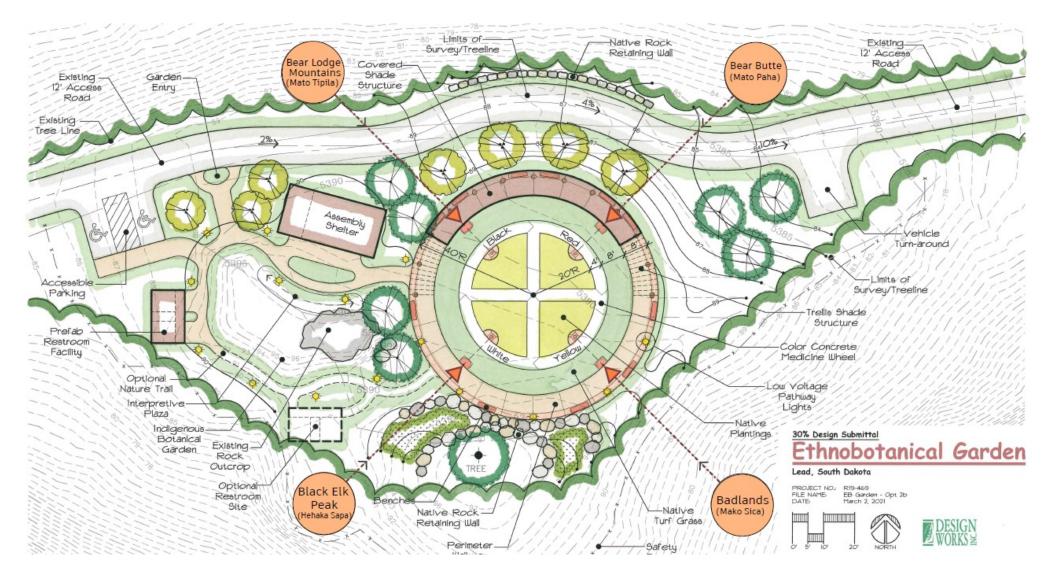
Bridging to Post-Secondary and Career

- Expanding partnerships with post-secondary institutions
- Offering unique supports & resources to K-12 pre-service teachers in science
- Increasing outreach to a diverse audience for internships and the Davis-Bahcall Scholars Program

Working toward a Global Reach

 Building on lessons learned during the pandemic to offer engaging virtual options anywhere.

# Cangleska Wakan (Sacred Circle) Garden https://www.sanfordlab.org/garden



# Institute for Underground Science at SURF

#### INSTITUTE FOR UNDERGROUND SCIENCE AT SURF

#### SCOPING DOCUMENT

July 30, 2021

#### SCOPING DOCUMENT PREPARED FOR:

South Dakota Science and Technology Authority Board of Directors



Institute scoping document released on July 30. Many thanks to our working group for their contributions!

We've since held a building visioning workshop with Arup on Aug 27. Discussed functional requirements, sizing, pros/cons of potential locations on-site and in Lead overall.

Arup developing report to capture items from above and initial costing for main structure and guest house.

We're also working with Elizabeth Freer and SDSTA CFO & HR to refine staffing plan and develop annual budget.

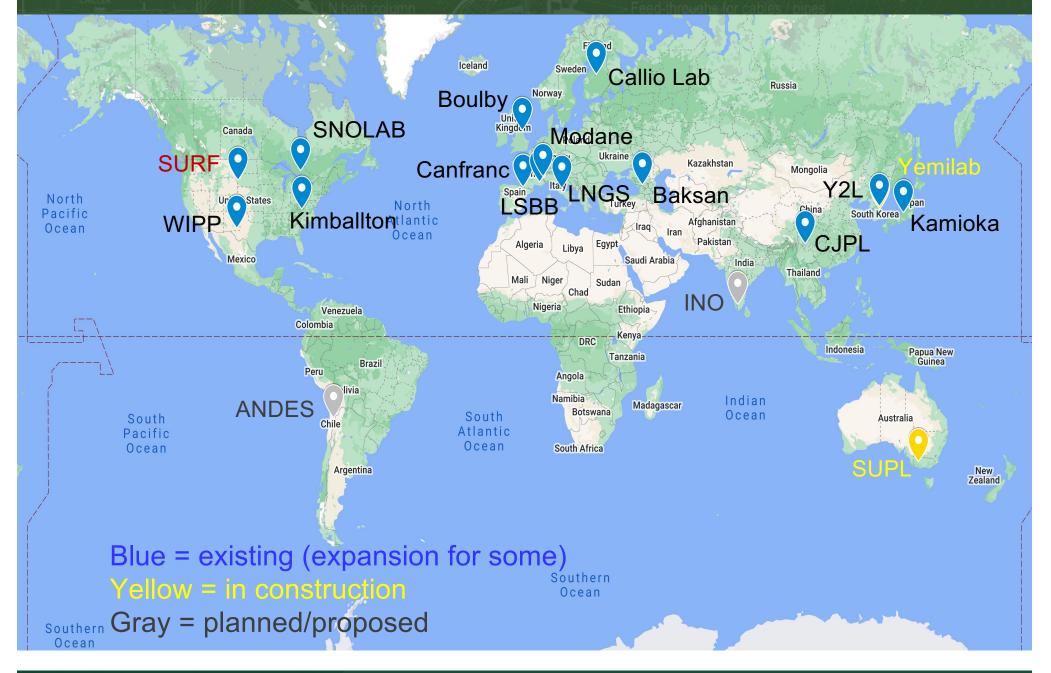
We expect to provide presentation on the above to SDSTA and SURFF Boards no later than Dec 2021 meetings.

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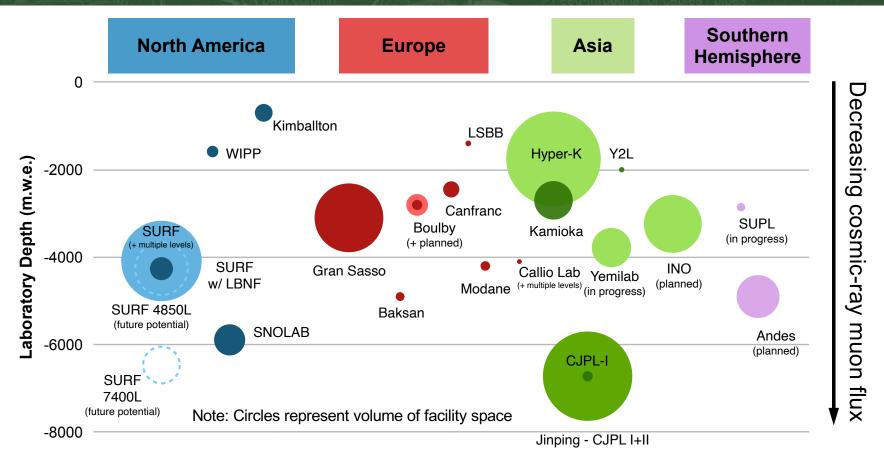


### Thank you!

# **Underground Facilities**



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### World-class UG Facilities provide:

- Overburden protection from cosmic-ray muons
- UG material production or purification
- Implementation and operations support

- Local radiation shielding, environmental controls
- Material screening

# **Underground Facilities**

# World-class UG Facilities serve a diverse community:

- Physics
  - Low-background environment to study rare processes
- Biology
  - Isolation from surface microorganisms
  - Variety of environmental conditions (temperature, humidity, etc)
  - Variety of niches (materials/rock geochemistry, water from different locations, trace gases, etc)
- Geology
  - Variety of geologic environments / rock formations (permeability, porosity, chemistry); also drill core archive
  - Variety of rock conditions (stress, temperature, etc)
- Engineering
  - Real-world environments for technology development, mining, etc



# **SURF Science Program**

### Researchers from 85 institutions (Pre-DUNE), active in bold (56)

#### **United States**

- Black Hills State University, Spearfish, SD
- Brandeis University, Waltham, MA
- Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, NY
- Brown University, Providence, RI
- Caltech, Pasadena, CA
- Caterpillar Global Mining, LLC, East Peoria, IL
- Colorado School of Mines, Golden, CO
- Department of Energy (EERE), Washington, DC
- Desert Research Institute, Las Vegas, NV
- Duke University / TUNL, Durham, NC
- Fermi National Accelerator Lab, Batavia, IL
- Golder Associates, Inc., Redmond, WA
- Idaho National Laboratory, Idaho Falls, ID
- Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
- Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, CA
- Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, Berkeley, CA
- Lawrence Livermore National Lab, Livermore, CA
- Liberty BioSecurity, LLC, Arlington, VA
- Los Alamos National Lab, Los Alamos, NM
- McClure Geomechanics, Palo Alto, CA
- Montana State University, Bozeman, MT
- National Energy Technology Lab, Albany, OR / Morgantown, WV
- National Renewable Energy Lab, Golden, CO
- North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC
- Northwestern University, Evanston, IL
- Oak Ridge National Lab, Oak Ridge, TN
- Pacific Northwest National Lab, Richland, WA
- Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA
- Primo, Lead, SD
- RE/SPEC, Rapid City, SD
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY
- Rice University, Houston, TX
- Rutgers University, Piscataway Township, NJ
- Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque, NM
- South Dakota School of Mines & Technology, Rapid City, SD
- Spearfish School District, Spearfish, SD
- SLAC National Accelerator Lab, Menlo Park, CA
- Stanford University, Stanford, CA
- Tennessee Tech University, Cookeville, TN
- Texas A&M University, College Station, TX
- US Geological Survey, Rapid City, SD / Tucson, AZ
- University at Albany/SUNY, Albany, NY

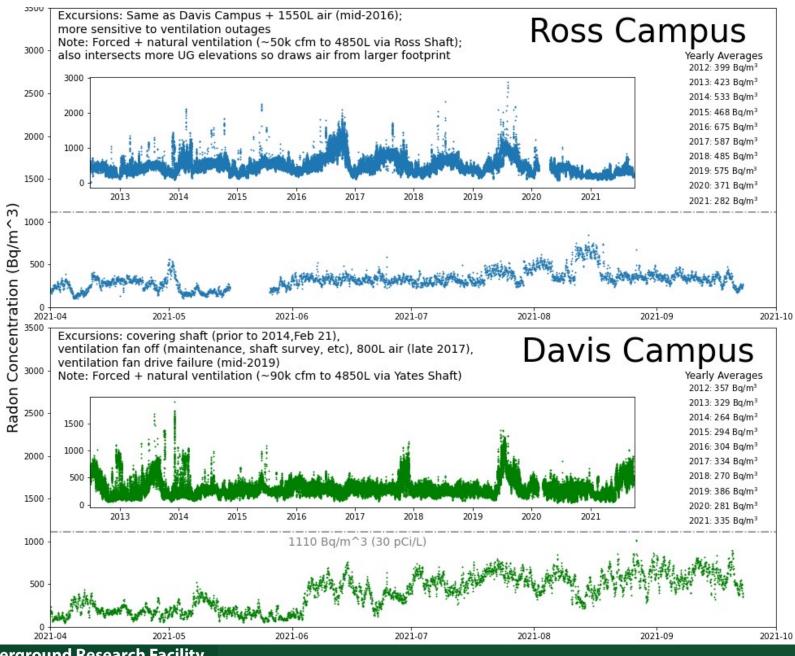
#### US – continued

- University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
- University of California Berkeley, Berkeley, CA
- University of California Davis, Davis, CA
- University of California Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA
- University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY
- University of Maryland, College Park, MD
- University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA
- University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
- University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN
- University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK
- University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC
- University of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD
- University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA
- University of Rochester, Rochester, NY
- University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN
- University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT
- University of Wisconsin Madison / Physical Sciences Lab, Madison, WI
- University of Washington, Seattle, WA
- USDA NCAUR, Peoria, IL
- WD Masonry, Rapid City, SD
- William's College, Williamstown, MA
- Xilinx, Inc., San Jose, CA
- Yale University, New Haven, CT

#### World

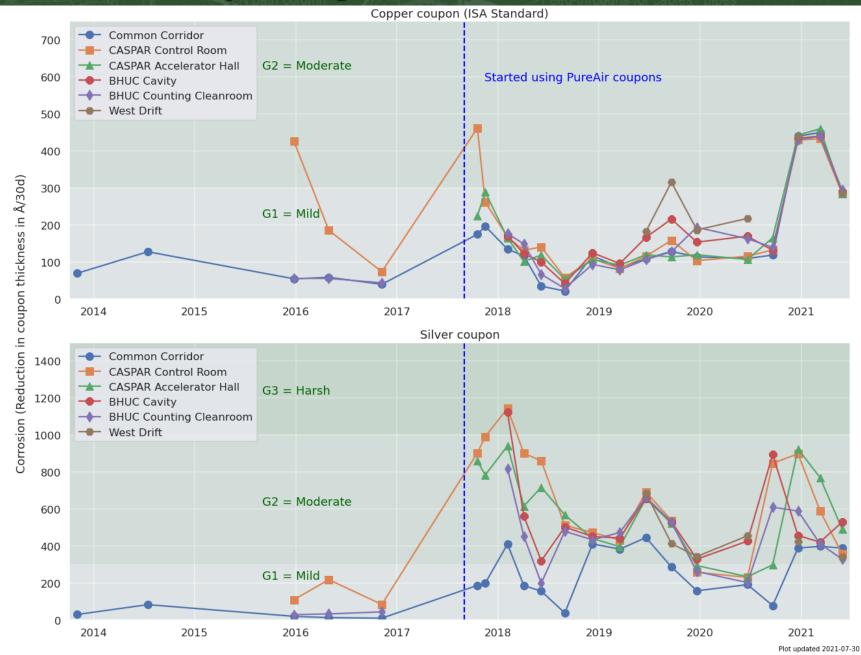
- Center for Underground Physics (IBS), Daejeon, Korea
- Joint Institute for Nuclear Research, Dubna, Russia
- Imperial College London, London, England
- LIP Coimbra, Čoimbra, Portugal
- MEPhl, Moscow, Russia
- NRC Institute for Theoretical and Experimental Physics, Moscow, Russia
- Osaka University, Osaka, Japan
- Queen's University, Kingston, Canada
- Royal Holloway and Bedford New College, Egham, England
- Rutherford Appleton Laboratory, Didcot, England
- Technische Universitat Munchen / Max Planck Institute, Munich, Germany
- University College London, London, England
- University of Bristol, Bristol, England
- University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland
- University of Liverpool, Liverpool, England
- University of Oxford, Oxford, England
- University of Sheffield, Sheffield, England

## SURF Science Support – Monitoring Radon concentrations in 4850L laboratories since 2012

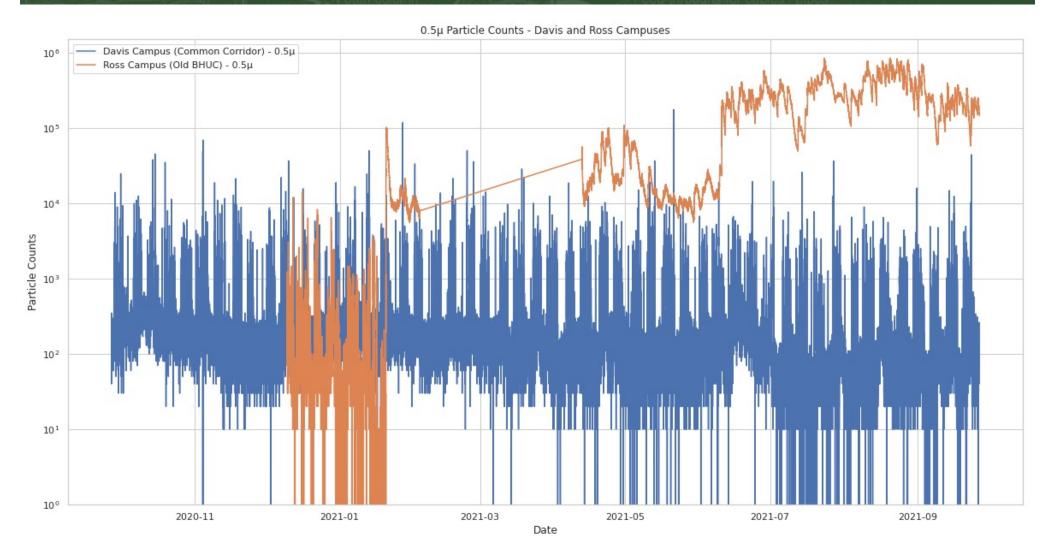


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# **SURF Science Support – Monitoring** Corrosion/reactivity testing in 4850L laboratories since 2013

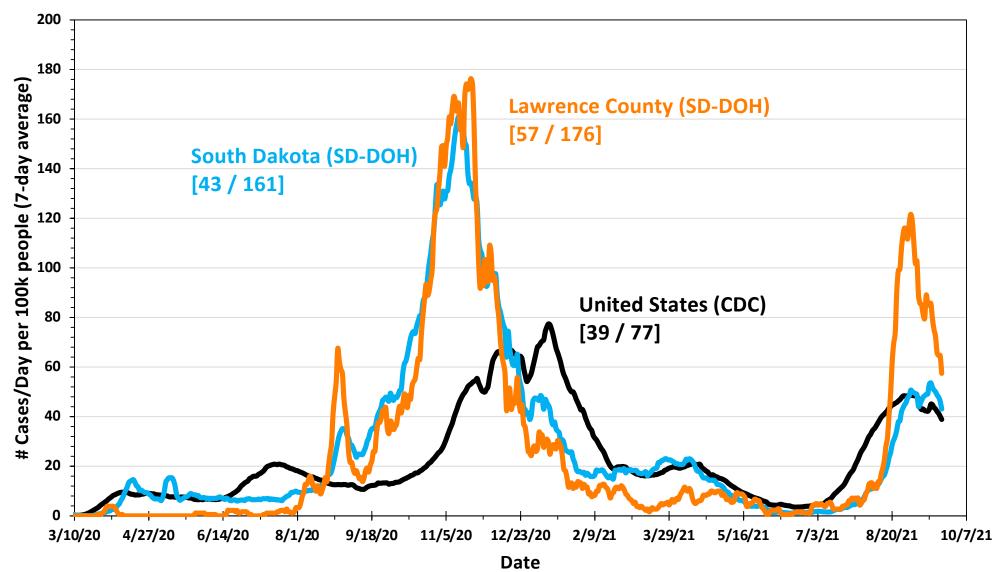


# SURF Science Support – Monitoring Particle counts in 4850L laboratories since 2013 (past year indicated)



## SURF COVID-19 Data Monitoring Cases (current / max 7-day per capita average values indicated)

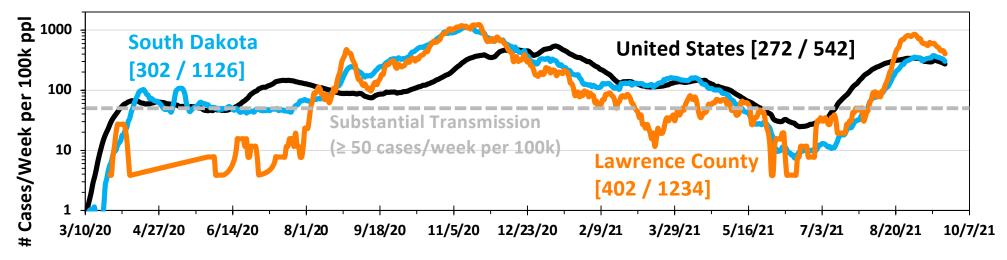
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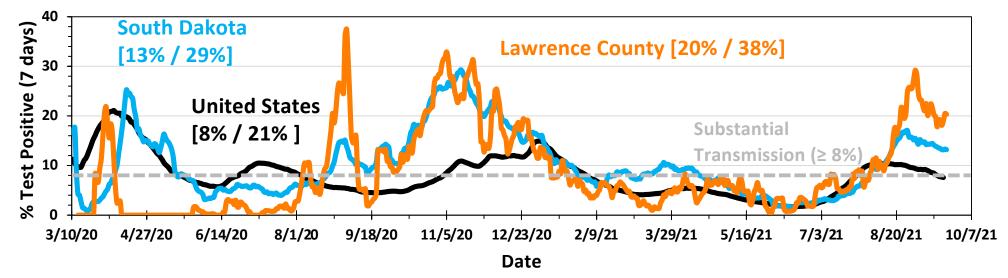
# SURF COVID-19 Data Monitoring

Transmission: Cases & Positivity (current / max values indicated)

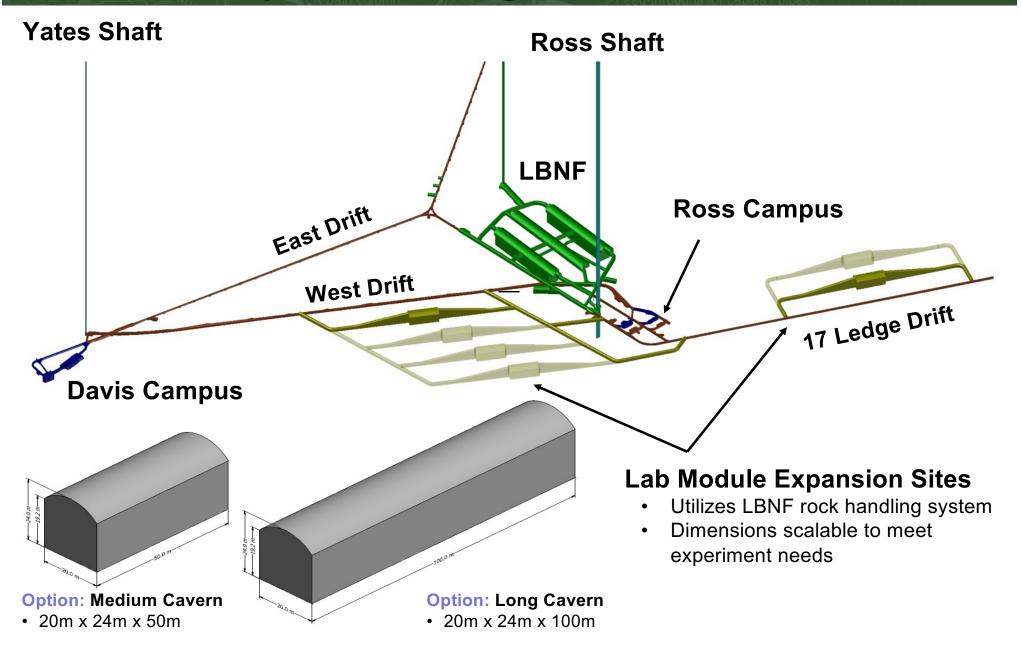
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#### COVID-19 Positivity (Sep 21, 2021)



# **SURF Underground Facility Expansion** 4850L Future Expansion Planning



# **SURF Laboratory Space**

### Summary for various science campuses, including timelines

Location	Laboratory	Existing/Planned Space		Available	Comments					
		Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Vol (m <sup>3</sup> )	(CY)						
Surface	Surface Lab (served by RRS)	210	600	2021	LZ use ~complete, allowing use by others					
Davis Campus (4850L)	LZ Lab – Davis Cavern (2 levels)	372	1,956	~2027	LZ operations beginning 2021, complete by ~2026 + decommissioning					
	MJD Lab – 2 Rms + BHUC share	300	1,279	~2024/2026	Initial scope complete by end of 2021, Ta- 180m data to ~mid-2023 + decommissioning; e-form Cu through 2025					
	Cutout Rms (4)	100	412	~2027	LZ timeframe for most spaces					
Ross Campus (4850L)	Former E-forming	228	742	?	LBNF use + SURF UG WWTP					
	BHUC (BHSU owns cleanroom)	266	773	~2025	Mothballed, most equipment and systems relocated to Davis Campus; re-occupy after LBNF construction					
	CASPAR	395	1,130	~2024/2027	Mothballed, equip remains, re-occupy after LBNF construction? Use to expand Refuge Chamber during DUNE install					
	Refuge Chamber	258	866	?	Long-term use TBD					
LBNF (4850L)	LBNF	9,445	191,863	~2024	Excavation started 2020, lasts ~3 yrs					
4100L	Multiple labs	TBD	TBD	TBD	SIGMA-V in progress, also RESPEC					
4850L	Propose 2 labs	2 x 2,300	2 x ~46,738	Responsive to community	Each 20m (W) x 24m (H) x 115m (L)					
7400L	Propose 2 labs	2 x 1,125	2 x 14,288	need	Each 15m (W) x 15m (H) x 75m (L)					
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# **SURF Supports Science**

Variety of Resources to Ensure Safe and Successful Science

### Science

- Main point of contact for researchers, coordinate and marshall Lab resources to meet expt needs
- Oversight of expt implementation process, scientific/technical expt support (collab members, LBC ops)

### Operations

- Maintain infrastructure and access to surface and underground facilities, incl hoists, shafts, drifts, services (power, network, etc); also experiment site preparation
- Transportation of personnel and materials: 24-hr access as needed, typically 63 science users per day

### **Environment, Safety & Health (and Security)**

- Manage Safety Manual, incl policies, forms (e.g., oxygen deficiency, hazard analysis/WPC, etc)
- Safety resource (e.g., reviews, training, monitoring, waste, radiation, record keeping, ERT); prox access

### Engineering

- Participate in understanding expt requirements, oversight of lab development, contract management, engineering support for Operations (access and maintenance)
- Assessments (incl equip design/certifications, ODH), system process design and troubleshooting

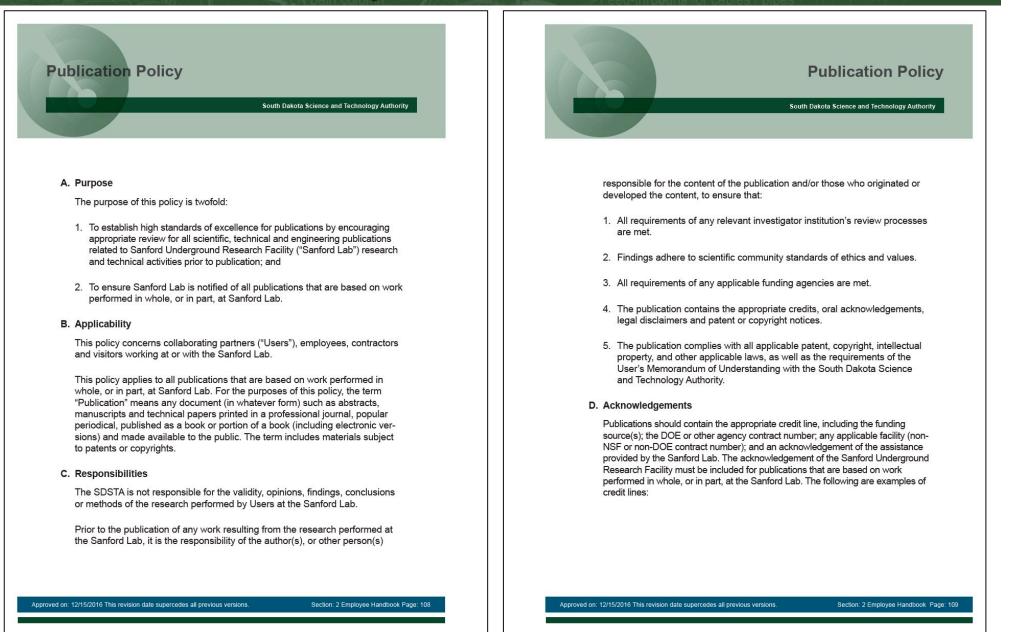
### Admin / Business Services / Finance / IT

 User access & support (incl badging, event planning), contracts/rebilling, shipping/receiving, procurement, IT support (VPN, document mgmt, network data/phone), training accounts

### **Communications / Education & Outreach**

 Interface with media and other groups, coordinate public meetings, outreach showcasing research/ scientists at local, state and national levels (e.g., Neutrino Day), student internships (incl Science interns)

# **Experiment Implementation Program** SDSTA Publication Policy



# **SURF Physics Overview – Current** Strong science program with exciting future possibilities

• LZ: Direct search for dark matter using 10 tonnes xenon within ultra-pure water shield + Gd-loaded liquid scintillator veto

*Status:* All purified Xe UG at SURF, condensing underway, outer detector filled w/ liquid scintillator. Operations in 2021, run for 5 years

 MAJORANA DEMONSTRATOR: Investigate neutrinoless double beta decay using 44 kg Ge in two cryostats, 30 kg enriched <sup>76</sup>Ge inside multi-layer compact shield

Status: Data 2015-2021 (achieved 65 kg-yr exposure), bkgd studies continue. Ultra-pure electroformed Cu production continues (avg U, Th decay chain  $\leq$  0.1 µBq/kg). LEGEND detector characterization and R&D. Planning for <sup>180m</sup>Ta

 CASPAR: Study of stellar nuclear fusion reactions, esp. neutron production for slow neutron-capture nucleosynthesis using 1-MV accelerator

Status: Beam operation 2017-2021, targets incl <sup>14</sup>N, <sup>11</sup>B, <sup>27</sup>AI, <sup>22</sup>Ne (gas), <sup>18</sup>O, <sup>7</sup>Li, <sup>20</sup>Ne, <sup>22</sup>Ne (solid). Planning for next phase of operation

• **BHUC:** 4x **low-bkgd assay** counters operating with ~10s ppt sensitivity (6 counters total in 2021)



# **SURF Material Assay at BHUC**

Establishing national & international-level low-bkgd capabilities

Detector	Crystal		[U]	[Th]	BHUC Install Date	Status	Comments
	Туре	Size	mBq/kg	mBq/kg			
<b>Maeve</b> (BLBF)	p-type (85%)	2.2 kg	<b>0.1</b> (~10 ppt)	<b>0.1</b> (~25 ppt)	Davis Campus: Nov 2020 (Ross Campus: Nov 2015; Davis Campus: May 2014)	Production assays	Relocated from Oroville. Old Pb (200-yr old) inner shielding. Cooling system upgrade 2020.
<b>Morgan</b> (BLBF)	p-type (85%)	2.1 kg	<b>0.2</b> (~20 ppt)	<b>0.2</b> (~50 ppt)	Davis Campus: Nov 2020 (Ross Campus: Nov 2015; Davis Campus May 2015)	Production assays	Low-bkgd upgrade 2015. Cooling system upgrade 2020.
<b>Mordred</b> (USD/CUBED, BLBF)	n-type (60%)	1.3 kg	<b>0.7</b> (~60 ppt)	<b>0.7</b> (~175 ppt)	Davis Campus: Nov 2020 (Ross Campus: Jul 2016; Davis Campus Apr 2013)	Production assays	Low-bkgd upgrade 2015- 2016, shield access upgrade. Cooling system upgrade 2020.
<b>Dual HPGe</b> ("Twins") (BLBF, BHSU, UCSB)	p-type (120%)	2x 2.1 kg	<b>~0.01</b> (~1 ppt)	<b>~0.01</b> (~3 ppt)	Davis Campus: Sep 2020 (Ross Campus: Jul 2017 (initial), Mar 2018)	Commissi oning	Low-bkgd upgrades 2016-2017; flexible shield. Cooling system upgrades 2020.
<b>Ge-IV</b> (Alabama, Kentucky)	p-type (111%)	2 kg	<b>~0.04</b> (~3 ppt)	<b>~0.03</b> (~8 ppt)	Davis Campus: Nov 2020 (initial), Fall 2021 (Ross Campus: Oct 2017 (initial), Jul 2018)	Installation underway	Vertical design, requires gantry + hoist. Cooling system upgrades 2020.
<b>RHYM+RESN</b> (LLNL)	p-type (>100%)	2x ~1.1 kg	<b>&lt;0.1</b> (<10 ppt)	<b>&lt;0.04</b> (<10 ppt)	Davis Campus: Sep 2020 (initial), Fall 2021	Installation underway	Cryocooler, low-E <sup>210</sup> Pb (<2 mBq/kg).

Also see: LZ Assay Paper https://arxiv.org/pdf/2006.02506

Local universities have some additional material screening capabilities: **ICP-MS** (Black Hills State University) and **Rn emanation** characterization (SD Mines). Other: BetaCage (SDSMT prototype), XIA UltraLo-1800 (LZ)



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