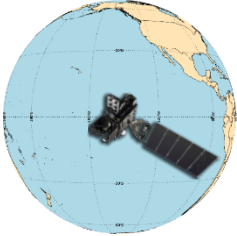




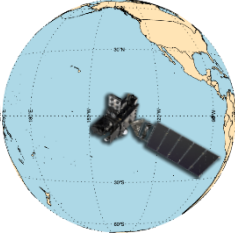
# GOES Constellation with West Transition Plan

## GOES-18 PLT Part 2: GOES-18 post-drift (June 7, 2022)

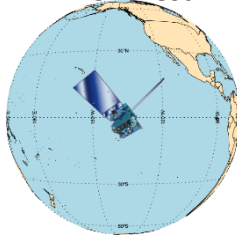
GOES-West  
GOES-17  
137.2° West



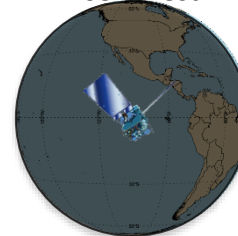
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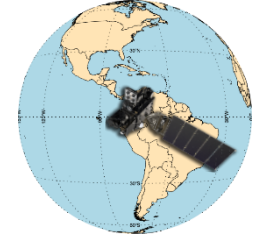
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Standby  
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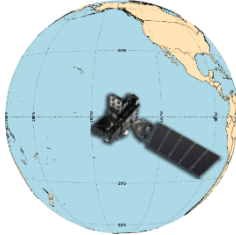


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75.2° West

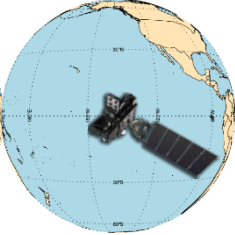


## GOES-17 and GOES-18 orbit nudges (July, 2022)

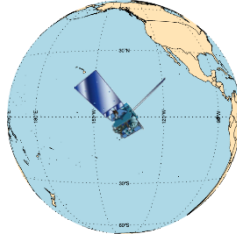
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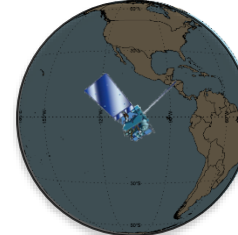
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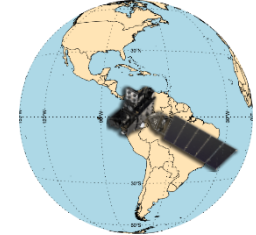
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128° West



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GOES-14  
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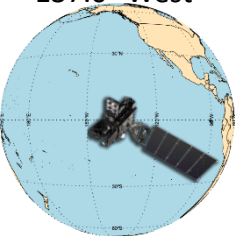


GOES-East  
GOES-16  
75.2° West

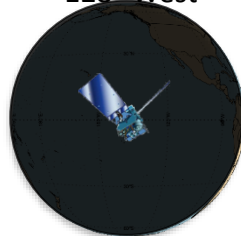


## GOES-18 as GOES-West, GOES-17 drift to Standby (January, 2023)

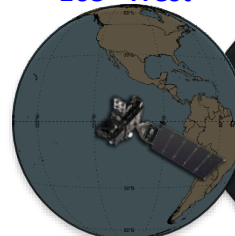
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GOES-18  
137.0° West



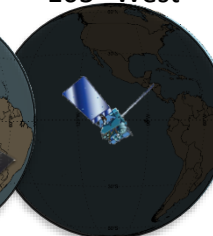
Storage  
GOES-15  
128° West



Standby  
GOES-17  
105° West



Storage  
GOES-14  
105° West



GOES-East  
GOES-16  
75.2° West



Changes by phase are indicated in blue

Note: GOES-18 PLT Part 1 was pre-drift checkout at 89.5° West



# GOES-West Transition Plan - Swap of GOES-17/18

Date (Based on 3/1/22 Launch)	GOES-17		GOES-18	
	Location	Activity	Location	Activity
3/1 – 3/23	137.2°W	<b>GOES-West Operations</b>		<b>Launch and Orbit Raising</b>
3/24 – 5/15			89.5°W	<b>GOES-18 PLT Part 1</b> • Instrument Outgassing, Spacecraft PLT • First ABI Image (Vis & IR) @ 89.5W
5/16 – 6/6			136.8W	<b>GOES-18 Drift from 89.5W to 136.8W</b> • PLT activities paused; Science data for GMAG, but no other data.
6/7				<b>GOES-18 PLT Part 2 begins and PLPT begins</b>
7/5 – 7/15 (21)	137.3°W	Orbit Nudge 137.2W to 137.3W: July 5-15, 2022 (10 days) • Antennas smaller than 7m should not need to repoint • Antennas larger than 7m should repoint • All users should re-peak antennas once nudge is over	137.0°W	Orbit Nudge 136.8W to 137.0W: July 5-21, 2022 (16 days) • Antennas smaller than 7m should not need to repoint • Antennas larger than 7m should repoint • All users should re-peak antennas once nudge is over
7/27				<b>GOES-18 ABI reaches Provisional maturity</b> • GOES-18 ABI 'supplemental' data via Cloud for NWS
8/1-9/6		<b>GOES-17 ABI Warm Period</b> • GOES-18 ABI interleaved in GOES-17 GRB		<b>GOES-18 ABI data interleaved in GOES-17 GRB</b>
9/6-10/15		<b>GOES-West Operations</b> • GOES-17 Nominal Distribution		<b>GOES-18 product maturation continues</b> • PLT Part 2 ends Oct 3, 2022
10/15-11/11		<b>GOES-17 ABI Warm Period</b> • GOES-18 ABI interleaved in GOES-17 GRB		<b>GOES-18 ABI data interleaved in GOES-17 GRB</b>
11/11-1/3		<b>GOES-West Operations</b> • GOES-17 Nominal Distribution		<b>GOES-18 product maturation continues</b> • PLPT ends Jan 3, 2023
1/3		<b>X-band downlink off and instruments shut down</b>		<b>GOES-18 Declared operational GOES-West</b> • Begin GOES-18 GRB broadcast / nominal distribution • SAR/DCS services transitioned to GOES-18
1/12	105°W	<b>GOES-17 drift to 105°W followed by storage mode</b>		





# GOES-18 L1b Science Product Validation Status

ABI L1b Product	Beta	Provisional	Full
Radiances	5/11/2022	7/27/2022	FY23
GLM L2 Product			
Lightning: Events, Groups, Flashes	9/19/2022	10/31/2022	FY23
SEISS L1b Products			
Energetic Heavy Ions	7/29/2022	11/15/2022	FY23
Magnetospheric e <sup>-</sup> /p <sup>+</sup> : Low Energy	7/29/2022	11/18/2022	FY23
Magnetospheric e <sup>-</sup> /p <sup>+</sup> : High Energy	7/29/2022	10/11/2022	FY23
Solar & Galactic Protons	7/29/2022	9/13/2022	FY23
EXIS L1b Products			
Solar Flux: EUV	7/22/2022	11/14/2022	FY23
Solar Flux: X-ray Irradiance	7/22/2022	11/14/2022	FY23
SUVI L1b Product			
Solar EUV Imagery	8/2/2022	11/22/2022	FY23
GMAG L1b Product			
Geomagnetic Field	7/11/2022	9/6/2022	FY23

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Validation Maturity Levels:

Not Validated	Beta Maturity	Provisional Maturity	Full Maturity
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# GOES-18 L2+ Science Product Validation Status

L2+ Products	Beta	Prov	Full
Cloud and Moisture Imagery (CMI) and Sectorized CMI (KPP)	5/11/2022	7/27/2022	FY23
Aerosol Detection (Smoke & Dust)	5/11/2022	11/9/2022	
Aerosol Optical Depth	5/11/2022	11/9/2022	
Clear Sky Mask	5/11/2022	9/24/2022	
Cloud Cover Layers	5/11/2022	9/24/2022	
Cloud Optical Depth	5/11/2022	10/12/2022	
Cloud Particle Size Distribution	5/11/2022	10/12/2022	
Cloud Top Height	5/11/2022	9/24/2022	
Cloud Top Phase	5/11/2022	9/24/2022	
Cloud Top Pressure	5/11/2022	9/24/2022	
Cloud Top Temperature	5/11/2022	9/24/2022	
Derived Motion Winds	5/11/2022	9/24/2022	
Derived Stability Indices	5/11/2022	10/12/2022	
Downward S/W Radiation: Surface	5/11/2022	11/9/2022	

L2+ Products	Beta	Prov	Full
Fire/Hot Spot Characterization	5/11/2022	10/12/2022	FY23
Ice Age & Thickness	5/11/2022	11/21/2022	
Ice Concentration & Extent	5/11/2022	11/21/2022	
Ice Motion	5/11/2022	11/21/2022	
Land Surface Albedo	5/11/2022	11/9/2022	
Land Surface Reflectance	5/11/2022	11/9/2022	
Land Surface Temperature	5/11/2022	11/9/2022	
Legacy Vertical Moisture Profile	5/11/2022	10/12/2022	
Legacy Vertical Temperature Profile	5/11/2022	10/12/2022	
Rainfall Rate/QPE	5/11/2022	10/12/2022	
Reflected S/W Radiation: TOA	5/11/2022	11/9/2022	
Sea Surface Temperature	5/11/2022	11/21/2022	
Snow Cover	N/A	11/21/2022	
Total Precipitable Water	5/11/2022	10/12/2022	

Validation Maturity Levels:

Not Validated	Beta Maturity	Provisional Maturity	Full Maturity
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# GOES-18 Data Sharing Policy

Not Allowed
Caveats
Allowed

	Images/Social Media	Data Files	Publications
Between Launch and “First Light” Public Release	Not allowed	Not allowed	Allowed; You may include pre-Provisional instrument data/images/plots as long as it will not be published until after Provisional validation is declared for that instrument. Exercise caution in publishing data regarding apparent anomalies or artifacts especially during ongoing instrument and product tests (PLTs and PLPTs).
Between First Public Release and Beta Certification	Allowed; must contain the caveat: “GOES-18 Preliminary, Non-Operational Data”	Not allowed	
Between Beta and Provisional	Allowed; must contain the caveat: “GOES-18 Preliminary, Non-Operational Data”	Not allowed	
ABI Interleaved Data	Allowed (ABI Only)	Allowed (ABI Only)	
Between Provisional (or Interleave Period(s) for ABI) and Operational Declaration	Allowed; must contain the caveat: “GOES-18 Preliminary, Non-Operational Data”	Allowed; must contain the caveat: “GOES-18 Preliminary, Non-Operational Data”	
GOES-West Operations onwards	Allowed	Allowed	

Table description: Policy for sharing images on social media, data files, and publications as it evolves during post-launch phases of satellite testing and data maturity.





# GOES-18 Schedule w/ Interleave Overlays

Activity	March		April				May				June				July				August				September				October				November				December				January							
	3/1	3/8	3/15	3/22	3/29	4/5	4/12	4/19	4/26	5/3	5/10	5/17	5/24	5/31	6/7	6/14	6/21	6/28	7/5	7/12	7/19	7/26	8/2	8/9	8/16	8/23	8/30	9/6	9/13	9/20	9/27	10/4	10/11	10/18	10/25	11/1	11/8	11/15	11/22	11/29	12/6	12/13	12/20	12/27	1/3	1/10
<b>G18 Events</b>	▲ Launch	Raise Orbit	PLT & PLPT Part 1				Drift				PLT & PLPT Part 2								▲ Handover to OSPO				PLPT Continues				▲ G18 = GOES-West																			
<b>G18 Maturity</b>					● 89.5W				● 136.8W				● 137.0W (G17)				● 137.3W Nudges																													
<b>G18 ABI PD</b>					Cal/Val Purposes				Cal/Val Purposes				Ops (L1b & CMI, not L2+)				Cal/Val				Ops (L1b & CMI, not L2+)				Cal/Val				Ops																	
<b>G17 ABI PD</b>					G17 ABI Warm Period								G17 ABI Warm Period								G17 ABI Warm Period																									
<b>West PD</b>																																														

**Legend:** GOES-18 GOES-17 PD = Product Distribution G17 ABI Warm Period 17 w/ 18 ABI Interleave ◆ 1st Public Image ▲ Beta Maturity ▲ Provisional Maturity ● Orbit Change

Interleave Test  
G18 ABI

Jul/Aug Interleave  
G18 ABI

Oct/Nov Interleave  
G18 ABI



# GOES-West Interleave Data Content per Distribution Service

**GRB:** (netCDF file orbital slot will be "GOES-West")

- G18 ABI L1b
- G17 GLM L2+
- G17 Space Wx L1b

**PDA:** ("GOES-West" for products below)

- G18 ABI L1b, CMI (no L2+)
- G17 ABI L1b, CMI, L2+
- G17 GLM L1b, L2+
- G17 Space Wx L1b
- Note PDA cal/val subscriptions have additional G18 data access

**CLASS:**

- G17 ABI L1b, CMI, L2+
- G17 GLM L1b, L2+
- G17 Space Wx L1b
- Note CLASS cal/val subscriptions have additional G18 data access

**NODD (formerly BDP) via AWS:**

- G18 ABI Rad, CMI
- G17 ABI Rad, CMI, L2+
- G17 GLM L2+
- G17 Space Wx L1b

**HRIT/EMWIN:**

- G18 ABI CMI
- G17 ABI L2+

**GNC-A:**

- G18 ABI CMI

**AWIPS:**

- G18 ABI SCMI
- G17 GLM L2+

During the June 14th test, GOES-18 ABI data will still be at a "Beta" level of maturity, minimally validated, and may contain significant errors. Nonetheless, GOES-18 ABI data obtained during this test will be advised for operational use, and may be shared without restriction.

During the Aug-Sept and Oct-Nov interleave periods, GOES-18 ABI data will be at "Provisional" level of maturity, fit for operational use and may be shared without restriction.





# GRB Spacecraft IDs & Metadata Decoder for Interleave Test & Nominal Interleave

	G17 Nominal as GOES-West	G18 PLT Test "GND-008"	Nominal Interleave (two periods)	G18 Nominal as GOES-West
Description	Current	Post-drift test of Interleave	Early ops access to G18 ABI data as a mitigation for G17 ABI saturated images	Future
Dates	Through January 2023	June 14, 2022 for four hours (16-20 UTC)	1 <sup>st</sup> : August 1 – September 6, 2022 2 <sup>nd</sup> : October 15 – November 11, 2022	Starting January 2023
GRB Content	<u>G18 GRB at 136.8/137.0° West:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul> <u>G17 GRB at 137.2/137.3° West:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>G17 ABI, GLM, Space Wx L1b</li> </ul>	<u>G18 GRB at 136.8° West:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul> <u>G17 GRB at 137.2° West:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>G18 ABI L1b (from 136.8° West)</b></li> <li>G17 GLM L2, Space Wx L1b</li> </ul>	<u>G18 GRB at 137.0° West:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul> <u>G17 GRB at 137.3° West:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>G18 ABI L1b (from 137.0° West)</b></li> <li>G17 GLM L2, Space Wx L1b</li> </ul>	<u>G18 GRB at 137.0° West:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>G18 ABI, GLM, Space Wx L1b</li> </ul> <u>G17 GRB at 137.3° West:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>
<u>Data Relay</u> GRB Spacecraft ID (SCID) AOS frame header (8 bits)	0x82	0x82	0x82	0xE4
<u>Data Source</u> platform_ID metadata within ABI packets	G17	G18	G18	G18
<u>Data Source</u> instrument_ID metadata within ABI packets	FM2	FM3	FM3	FM3