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00:00:07,749 --> 00:00:05,590
i'm sylvia with nasa goddard television

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00:00:10,230 --> 00:00:07,759
and i'm here at cape canaveral's air

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00:00:13,669 --> 00:00:10,240
force station this behind me is

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00:00:16,150 --> 00:00:13,679
launchpad 37. so andre what is going on

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00:00:18,630 --> 00:00:16,160
here in a few days well something really

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00:00:20,790 --> 00:00:18,640
exciting okay something that nasa people

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00:00:22,710 --> 00:00:20,800
really love to do and that's launch

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00:00:24,630 --> 00:00:22,720
satellites i mean i can't think of

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00:00:25,429 --> 00:00:24,640
anything more exciting for us than to do

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00:00:27,910 --> 00:00:25,439
this

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00:00:29,589 --> 00:00:27,920
satellite get in orbit and get it

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00:00:32,630 --> 00:00:29,599
checked out the goals mission is a

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00:00:34,630 --> 00:00:32,640

continuous mission and this is a spare

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00:00:36,709 --> 00:00:34,640

satellite so can you explain a little

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00:00:38,869 --> 00:00:36,719

bit more about that well since we're an

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00:00:40,630 --> 00:00:38,879

operational mission and everybody here

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00:00:42,389 --> 00:00:40,640

knows what the importance is of a

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00:00:44,069 --> 00:00:42,399

weather satellite everybody's seeing the

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00:00:46,709 --> 00:00:44,079

big hurricanes and how important it is

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00:00:48,950 --> 00:00:46,719

to have a satellite in orbit now the u.s

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00:00:51,189 --> 00:00:48,960

has two satellites in in orbit that

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00:00:52,790 --> 00:00:51,199

cover the united states but if one of

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00:00:54,310 --> 00:00:52,800

those were to fail

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00:00:56,630 --> 00:00:54,320

then we need to have another one ready

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00:00:58,310 --> 00:00:56,640

to go put it right in place and so we're

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00:00:59,910 --> 00:00:58,320

launching this satellite into a spare

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00:01:02,150 --> 00:00:59,920

slot and so when one of the others older

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00:01:04,229 --> 00:01:02,160

satellites runs out of fuel we replace

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00:01:06,230 --> 00:01:04,239

it with the gozo satellite what are some

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00:01:08,149 --> 00:01:06,240

of the factors that could cause delay

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00:01:09,910 --> 00:01:08,159

for the gold's oil launch

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00:01:11,990 --> 00:01:09,920

well when you build a satellite and you

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00:01:13,990 --> 00:01:12,000

build a launch vehicle there are

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00:01:16,230 --> 00:01:14,000

millions literally millions of parts and

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00:01:18,310 --> 00:01:16,240

pieces that make up those satellites and

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00:01:20,230 --> 00:01:18,320

those launch vehicles and on the day of

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00:01:22,070 --> 00:01:20,240

launch there could be any kind of

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00:01:23,510 --> 00:01:22,080

technical problem that could come up so

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00:01:25,590 --> 00:01:23,520

all those things need to be assessed to

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00:01:26,550 --> 00:01:25,600

make sure that we actually achieve orbit

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00:01:28,469 --> 00:01:26,560

the other things that we have to be

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00:01:30,710 --> 00:01:28,479

concerned about is weather

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00:01:32,710 --> 00:01:30,720

okay we have any time of the day here

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00:01:34,870 --> 00:01:32,720

there could be thunderstorms and if that

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00:01:36,069 --> 00:01:34,880

large winds or lightning and things like

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00:01:37,429 --> 00:01:36,079

that is not something type of

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00:01:39,910 --> 00:01:37,439

environment that we want to actually

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00:01:41,190 --> 00:01:39,920

launch into so we would stand down and

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00:01:42,069 --> 00:01:41,200

wait for that and that could cause a

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00:01:43,990 --> 00:01:42,079

delay

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00:01:46,870 --> 00:01:44,000
and what does the forecast look like for

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00:01:48,870 --> 00:01:46,880
the gozo alone well unfortunately we're

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00:01:51,270 --> 00:01:48,880
calling for thunderstorms but we're

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00:01:53,350 --> 00:01:51,280
hoping we have an hour window with that

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00:01:54,950 --> 00:01:53,360
hour window we'll find an opportunity to

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00:01:56,870 --> 00:01:54,960
launch this satellite and get it up

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00:01:59,350 --> 00:01:56,880
there in orbit so if you were to tell

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00:02:00,789 --> 00:01:59,360
someone why this mission is so important

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00:02:02,950 --> 00:02:00,799
what would you say

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00:02:04,709 --> 00:02:02,960
i would say you already know it

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00:02:06,789 --> 00:02:04,719
okay every night when you go home you

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00:02:08,790 --> 00:02:06,799
turn on the tv and you look at the

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00:02:10,150 --> 00:02:08,800

weather channel you're seeing the data

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00:02:12,309 --> 00:02:10,160

that's coming from these weather

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00:02:14,949 --> 00:02:12,319

satellites that we launched and so it

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00:02:16,710 --> 00:02:14,959

impacts your everyday life it must be

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00:02:19,190 --> 00:02:16,720

really exciting time for you how do you

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00:02:21,030 --> 00:02:19,200

feel about it so close to long it's

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00:02:22,710 --> 00:02:21,040

great let me tell you we spent years and

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00:02:25,190 --> 00:02:22,720

years on this mission building these

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00:02:26,390 --> 00:02:25,200

satellites testing it developing it

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00:02:28,869 --> 00:02:26,400

and to see it all come here in a

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00:02:31,589 --> 00:02:28,879

culmination into this major event

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00:02:34,869 --> 00:02:31,599

it's very satisfying why is it that

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00:02:36,949 --> 00:02:34,879

you're picking cape canaveral for gozo

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00:02:38,949 --> 00:02:36,959
cape canaveral makes the most sense for

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00:02:41,110 --> 00:02:38,959
goes because this is where the majority

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00:02:42,949 --> 00:02:41,120
of the launch vehicles are so launching

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00:02:44,630 --> 00:02:42,959
from this cape canaveral air force

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00:02:46,630 --> 00:02:44,640
station actually provides us an

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00:02:48,309 --> 00:02:46,640
advantage in a savings and propellant

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00:02:50,630 --> 00:02:48,319
that would actually take in cost to get

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00:02:52,390 --> 00:02:50,640
the spacecraft to orbit so we take

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00:02:53,990 --> 00:02:52,400
advantage of that

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00:02:56,390 --> 00:02:54,000
thank you andre

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00:02:59,270 --> 00:02:56,400
so it looks like the gold's mission is

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00:03:01,270 --> 00:02:59,280
critical for predicting severe weather

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00:03:03,910 --> 00:03:01,280

for more information about the mission

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00:03:06,710 --> 00:03:03,920

for some cool animations and video visit

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00:03:09,589 --> 00:03:06,720

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00:03:10,390 --> 00:03:09,599

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