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[John Sonntag] Well today was a fairly challenging flight. We did our Peninsula 23 mission

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as we call it. It was challenging because we knew ahead of time the weather forecast was

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on the marginal side for many of the sites. It was marginal because we knew that the southern

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part of the survey line was pretty well covered in clouds. And we have very good forecast models

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to tell us that. And it's a mission we probably would not have flown early

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in the campaign, we would have waited on a more ideal day. But since we're running out of time

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to get this mission in, we thought that we just might not get a better day than today and we gave it a try.

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We saw a number of glaciers, starting out with Hektor glacier in the far north of the peninsula. Drygalski

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glacier, which is of a lot of scientific interest these days. Flask glacier

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and the Flemming glacier and a couple of other more minor glaciers

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on down the peninsula. A lot of those are fairly important glaciers because they used

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to flow into the old Larsen B ice shelf, which as disintegrated.

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about eight years ago. So there's been a lot of scientific interest in

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the continuing evolution of those glaciers and how they responded to that event.