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NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida took another step forward in its transformation

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into a 21st Century multi-user spaceport.

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The landscape of the center's Launch Pad 39B area has changed.

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A new Small Class Vehicle Launch Pad, designated 39C,

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has been created in the southeast area of the pad B perimeter.

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NASA marked the completion of the new pad with a ribbon cutting ceremony on July 17.

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CABANA: "As America's premier spaceport, we're always looking for new and innovative ways

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to meet America's launch needs,

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and one area that was missing was small class payloads.

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So using 21st Century funds, we built Pad 39C."

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The new pad is designed to attract smaller aerospace companies

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and enable them to develop and launch their vehicles from Kennedy Space Center.

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COLLOREDO: "The small class market is here. It's essentially like a new market.

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The key here is this is really what a commercial launch site for a small class launcher

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needs to look like. It's lean, it's mean, it's clean."

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The Ground Systems Development and Operations Program oversaw the project