

## **Elon Musk**

CEO and Chief Designer,  
SpaceX, via Phone



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00:00:11,509 --> 00:00:08,790  
good afternoon and welcome to today's

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00:00:13,749 --> 00:00:11,519  
special spacex 3 post launch news

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00:00:16,230 --> 00:00:13,759  
conference after the launch of falcon 9

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00:00:18,950 --> 00:00:16,240  
and dragon we wanted to get together and

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00:00:20,870 --> 00:00:18,960  
and talk about how well the day went we

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00:00:23,109 --> 00:00:20,880  
are pleased today to be joined

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00:00:25,109 --> 00:00:23,119  
first by elon musk

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00:00:27,269 --> 00:00:25,119  
the chief executive officer and founder

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00:00:29,990 --> 00:00:27,279  
of spacex

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00:00:31,669 --> 00:00:30,000  
nasa's associate administrator for human

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00:00:35,190 --> 00:00:31,679  
exploration and operations mission

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00:00:39,270 --> 00:00:37,110  
and hans kunigsman

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00:00:40,470 --> 00:00:39,280

the spacex vice president of mission

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00:00:42,549 --> 00:00:40,480

assurance

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00:00:45,029 --> 00:00:42,559

and we'll begin with opening remarks

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00:00:45,990 --> 00:00:45,039

first we'll start in california with mr

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00:00:47,910 --> 00:00:46,000

musk

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00:00:48,869 --> 00:00:47,920

go ahead please

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00:00:50,549 --> 00:00:48,879

sure

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00:00:52,310 --> 00:00:50,559

so it looks like the

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00:00:54,069 --> 00:00:52,320

everything looks great as far as the

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00:00:55,430 --> 00:00:54,079

ascent phase of the mission

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00:00:58,229 --> 00:00:55,440

and uh

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00:01:00,389 --> 00:00:58,239

the so the rocket flight was um as

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00:01:02,389 --> 00:01:00,399

perfect as far as we could tell

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00:01:06,390 --> 00:01:02,399

and dragon deploy went well

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00:01:11,510 --> 00:01:08,870

we had some some slight uh

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00:01:13,590 --> 00:01:11,520

um initial challenges with with dragon

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00:01:14,870 --> 00:01:13,600

but with respect to enabling some of the

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00:01:17,190 --> 00:01:14,880

thruster quads but those have been

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00:01:19,030 --> 00:01:17,200

resolved so looks like everything's good

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00:01:21,510 --> 00:01:19,040

on on the dragon front

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00:01:23,749 --> 00:01:21,520

uh for

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00:01:25,910 --> 00:01:23,759

the rocket boost stage reentry

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00:01:26,950 --> 00:01:25,920

we have good data

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00:01:28,070 --> 00:01:26,960

down

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00:01:33,510 --> 00:01:28,080

to

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00:01:36,230 --> 00:01:33,520

mach 1.1 everything looks fine and we're

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00:01:38,390 --> 00:01:36,240

awaiting additional data to see how the

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00:01:40,789 --> 00:01:38,400

potential landing bone went but we have

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00:01:42,550 --> 00:01:40,799

a it was a very heavy sea state

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00:01:44,630 --> 00:01:42,560

condition so i would give i wouldn't

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00:01:45,990 --> 00:01:44,640

give high odds that the

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00:01:50,469 --> 00:01:46,000

rocket was able to splash down

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00:01:55,030 --> 00:01:53,270

okay um mr gerstenmaier

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00:01:57,350 --> 00:01:55,040

thanks mike again i'd like to

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00:01:59,590 --> 00:01:57,360

congratulate the spacex team on a

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00:02:01,350 --> 00:01:59,600

tremendous launch today

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00:02:03,350 --> 00:02:01,360

they did a lot of great work last night

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00:02:04,950 --> 00:02:03,360

getting ready to to get the rocket ready

51  
00:02:06,630 --> 00:02:04,960  
to go fly

52  
00:02:08,389 --> 00:02:06,640  
with the weather conditions it was kind

53  
00:02:10,469 --> 00:02:08,399  
of sporty for them to figure out exactly

54  
00:02:12,470 --> 00:02:10,479  
when the right time to load the vehicle

55  
00:02:14,630 --> 00:02:12,480  
and get it ready and keep options open

56  
00:02:16,949 --> 00:02:14,640  
and and they just did a tremendous job i

57  
00:02:18,790 --> 00:02:16,959  
would say the entire nasa payloads team

58  
00:02:20,470 --> 00:02:18,800  
as well as the spacex team did a

59  
00:02:22,070 --> 00:02:20,480  
tremendous job of getting ready to do

60  
00:02:23,670 --> 00:02:22,080  
the late load they did it early so then

61  
00:02:25,350 --> 00:02:23,680  
that allowed them the option of picking

62  
00:02:26,869 --> 00:02:25,360  
the right time to roll out with all the

63  
00:02:29,030 --> 00:02:26,879

phase two lightning warnings that were

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00:02:30,710 --> 00:02:29,040

coming and going throughout the night so

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00:02:31,990 --> 00:02:30,720

thanks to their efforts we got a launch

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00:02:33,509 --> 00:02:32,000

attempt today and the weather happened

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00:02:35,509 --> 00:02:33,519

to be good at lunch time and we got a

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00:02:37,750 --> 00:02:35,519

good launch so again congratulations to

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00:02:39,509 --> 00:02:37,760

the spacex team for showing that can-do

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00:02:41,750 --> 00:02:39,519

attitude and and going that extra mile

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00:02:43,750 --> 00:02:41,760

to really work hard to get things ready

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00:02:45,589 --> 00:02:43,760

on board space station we're ready uh

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00:02:47,509 --> 00:02:45,599

for the dragon arrival that the crew

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00:02:48,869 --> 00:02:47,519

actually reported and talked to mike a

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00:02:50,390 --> 00:02:48,879

little bit and said they actually got to

76  
00:02:52,150 --> 00:02:50,400  
see the launch so that's pretty exciting

77  
00:02:54,309 --> 00:02:52,160  
when our crew gets to see the launch out

78  
00:02:56,550 --> 00:02:54,319  
of florida so that was encouraging

79  
00:02:58,790 --> 00:02:56,560  
the multiplexer onboard space station

80  
00:03:00,869 --> 00:02:58,800  
the repairs of that spare device are

81  
00:03:02,630 --> 00:03:00,879  
ready so we're ready for the eva next or

82  
00:03:04,949 --> 00:03:02,640  
the eva next week to go change that

83  
00:03:06,869 --> 00:03:04,959  
external mdm so we're looking forward to

84  
00:03:08,390 --> 00:03:06,879  
all the research coming up on dragon

85  
00:03:10,149 --> 00:03:08,400  
tremendous things we got to see nice

86  
00:03:12,309 --> 00:03:10,159  
video of the two payloads in the trunk

87  
00:03:14,390 --> 00:03:12,319  
got to see the h dev and the

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00:03:15,830 --> 00:03:14,400

and the optical communication package in

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00:03:18,070 --> 00:03:15,840

the trunk it's pretty cool seeing those

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00:03:19,589 --> 00:03:18,080

on orbit seeing them in the trunk and

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00:03:20,949 --> 00:03:19,599

it'll be really exciting to see them on

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00:03:22,790 --> 00:03:20,959

station and actually operating and

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00:03:24,229 --> 00:03:22,800

bringing data back to us so i look

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00:03:25,830 --> 00:03:24,239

forward to all this research that's

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00:03:28,149 --> 00:03:25,840

going on in station the crews are doing

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00:03:29,750 --> 00:03:28,159

a great job things are going well and i

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00:03:31,670 --> 00:03:29,760

really want to congratulate the spacex

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00:03:33,589 --> 00:03:31,680

team for just a wonderful day today

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00:03:35,190 --> 00:03:33,599

getting ready and keeping our show open

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00:03:38,070 --> 00:03:35,200

options open they did really really

101  
00:03:40,390 --> 00:03:38,080  
great so thank you hans yeah um that

102  
00:03:42,869 --> 00:03:40,400  
both teams both here and at the cape and

103  
00:03:44,630 --> 00:03:42,879  
beckham hawthorne worked

104  
00:03:46,630 --> 00:03:44,640  
very hard over the last couple days to

105  
00:03:48,630 --> 00:03:46,640  
to get the vehicle ready and then last

106  
00:03:51,350 --> 00:03:48,640  
night of course we had uh we had to deal

107  
00:03:53,509 --> 00:03:51,360  
with weather mostly today um where there

108  
00:03:54,550 --> 00:03:53,519  
was our primary concern

109  
00:03:56,789 --> 00:03:54,560  
um

110  
00:03:58,149 --> 00:03:56,799  
everything worked very beautiful in the

111  
00:04:01,110 --> 00:03:58,159  
end uh

112  
00:04:03,030 --> 00:04:01,120  
we got we got a beautiful launch and uh

113  
00:04:05,509 --> 00:04:03,040

we got some some really pretty video

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00:04:07,350 --> 00:04:05,519

from from orbit it's uh it's really good

115

00:04:09,990 --> 00:04:07,360

day

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00:04:12,550 --> 00:04:10,000

okay thank you we'll take questions now

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00:04:14,070 --> 00:04:12,560

uh and uh because we have mr musk on the

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00:04:15,910 --> 00:04:14,080

phone we want to make sure that you make

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00:04:18,150 --> 00:04:15,920

sure that you address to whom your

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00:04:19,909 --> 00:04:18,160

question goes please state your name and

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00:04:22,790 --> 00:04:19,919

affiliation and wait for the microphone

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00:04:24,629 --> 00:04:22,800

and let's start with marcia dunn

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00:04:26,950 --> 00:04:24,639

marcia done associated press probably

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00:04:28,870 --> 00:04:26,960

for mr musk

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00:04:30,550 --> 00:04:28,880

sort of a light question um i'm

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00:04:32,629 --> 00:04:30,560

wondering i know spacex has the

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00:04:34,550 --> 00:04:32,639

tradition of putting uh surprises and

128

00:04:36,230 --> 00:04:34,560

gifts on board i'm wondering if there's

129

00:04:38,310 --> 00:04:36,240

anything in the way of chocolate easter

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00:04:40,830 --> 00:04:38,320

eggs bunnies anything like that given

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00:04:43,270 --> 00:04:40,840

that you'll be arriving on easter

132

00:04:45,430 --> 00:04:43,280

morning um

133

00:04:47,110 --> 00:04:45,440

i i you know i

134

00:04:48,950 --> 00:04:47,120

don't know of anything joe hunts do we

135

00:04:52,790 --> 00:04:48,960

have anything on on the

136

00:04:59,110 --> 00:04:56,230

nasa's uh our customer here so i mean we

137

00:05:01,909 --> 00:04:59,120

deferred it to nasa you know as to what

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00:05:05,350 --> 00:05:01,919

cargo has manifested um

139

00:05:09,590 --> 00:05:05,360

so um yeah i i don't think we

140

00:05:12,790 --> 00:05:10,870

and i yeah know of anything it's a

141

00:05:16,469 --> 00:05:12,800

surprise and it'll be a surprise for all

142

00:05:18,710 --> 00:05:17,590

um

143

00:05:20,550 --> 00:05:18,720

we're we're a little too late in the

144

00:05:22,230 --> 00:05:20,560

launch so it won't i have not been

145

00:05:23,909 --> 00:05:22,240

briefed of anything uniquely that it's

146

00:05:25,590 --> 00:05:23,919

flying it but i wouldn't be surprised if

147

00:05:27,189 --> 00:05:25,600

there isn't something there but i don't

148

00:05:28,950 --> 00:05:27,199

know the details of what the teams may

149

00:05:30,790 --> 00:05:28,960

have loaded yeah

150

00:05:32,870 --> 00:05:30,800

we i know the scientific cargo i don't

151

00:05:34,550 --> 00:05:32,880

know the other person so i'm sorry

152

00:05:36,310 --> 00:05:34,560

nothing from spacex that you know of

153

00:05:39,029 --> 00:05:36,320

hans okay fine

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00:05:41,590 --> 00:05:39,039

irene thanks um irene klotz uh with

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00:05:43,110 --> 00:05:41,600

reuters for um ilan um when you said

156

00:05:44,310 --> 00:05:43,120

that uh you give high odds that the

157

00:05:46,790 --> 00:05:44,320

rocket was able to splash down

158

00:05:49,029 --> 00:05:46,800

successfully do you mean in one piece

159

00:05:51,590 --> 00:05:49,039

no sorry i i wasn't speaking clearly i

160

00:05:53,189 --> 00:05:51,600

said i wouldn't give high odds so

161

00:05:55,350 --> 00:05:53,199

um the

162

00:05:57,110 --> 00:05:55,360

i i mean i

163

00:06:00,230 --> 00:05:57,120

that the sea state is quite heavy i mean

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00:06:02,150 --> 00:06:00,240

i heard reports of 15 to 20 foot uh wave

165

00:06:04,070 --> 00:06:02,160

height so it's really pretty pretty

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00:06:05,430 --> 00:06:04,080

crazy out there in fact the boats

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00:06:08,710 --> 00:06:05,440

weren't even able to get

168

00:06:10,309 --> 00:06:08,720

particularly close because of of the

169

00:06:11,990 --> 00:06:10,319

heavy seas

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00:06:14,070 --> 00:06:12,000

so

171

00:06:16,790 --> 00:06:14,080

i think it's going to be it's unlikely

172

00:06:21,670 --> 00:06:16,800

that the rocket was able to

173

00:06:24,230 --> 00:06:21,680

splash down successfully but i think um

174

00:06:27,510 --> 00:06:24,240

we'll still get good data uh

175

00:06:28,950 --> 00:06:27,520

from uh the the plane telemetry

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00:06:31,909 --> 00:06:28,960

and we should get that pretty soon as

177

00:06:33,430 --> 00:06:31,919

soon as we are able to

178

00:06:35,830 --> 00:06:33,440

look at that data we'll be able to

179

00:06:37,590 --> 00:06:35,840

provide some more information

180

00:06:40,469 --> 00:06:37,600

but i would consider it a success in the

181

00:06:43,990 --> 00:06:40,479

sense that we were able to control the

182

00:06:46,710 --> 00:06:44,000

boost stage to a zero zero roll rate

183

00:06:49,749 --> 00:06:46,720

which is previously what has destroyed

184

00:06:50,710 --> 00:06:49,759

the stages is an uncontrolled a role

185

00:06:52,870 --> 00:06:50,720

where the

186

00:06:54,230 --> 00:06:52,880

uh on-board uh nitrogen thrusters

187

00:06:56,390 --> 00:06:54,240

weren't able to

188

00:06:59,510 --> 00:06:56,400

overcome the aerodynamic torque and so

189

00:07:01,510 --> 00:06:59,520

sort of spun up um and this time with

190

00:07:03,510 --> 00:07:01,520

with more powerful thrusters

191

00:07:06,150 --> 00:07:03,520

and more um

192

00:07:07,830 --> 00:07:06,160

nitrogen propellant we were able to

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00:07:10,629 --> 00:07:07,840

to null the roll rate so that's that's a

194

00:07:11,990 --> 00:07:10,639

good a bit of good news there

195

00:07:13,589 --> 00:07:12,000

and of course we

196

00:07:15,670 --> 00:07:13,599

were able to show that

197

00:07:18,070 --> 00:07:15,680

on ascent that the legs

198

00:07:20,550 --> 00:07:18,080

don't have any negative impact and that

199

00:07:22,790 --> 00:07:20,560

we're able to come back through

200

00:07:23,909 --> 00:07:22,800

uh through hypersonic velocity not we

201  
00:07:25,430 --> 00:07:23,919  
don't yet have the data through

202  
00:07:27,510 --> 00:07:25,440  
transonic but

203  
00:07:30,469 --> 00:07:27,520  
we have it through the the max

204  
00:07:31,830 --> 00:07:30,479  
dynamic um

205  
00:07:34,309 --> 00:07:31,840  
you know max dynamic four is coming

206  
00:07:35,830 --> 00:07:34,319  
through the mac what's called max q we

207  
00:07:37,670 --> 00:07:35,840  
have the information of the rocket

208  
00:07:38,950 --> 00:07:37,680  
making it through max q okay

209  
00:07:43,510 --> 00:07:38,960  
um

210  
00:07:45,830 --> 00:07:43,520  
to to find that out and it'll be

211  
00:07:48,070 --> 00:07:45,840  
awesome if as far as it gets that that

212  
00:07:49,430 --> 00:07:48,080  
that data will be able to use and

213  
00:07:51,350 --> 00:07:49,440

uh

214

00:07:52,550 --> 00:07:51,360

flow back into into the

215

00:07:55,029 --> 00:07:52,560

next flight

216

00:07:57,350 --> 00:07:55,039

with an increased probability of a

217

00:07:58,390 --> 00:07:57,360

successful recovery

218

00:08:00,710 --> 00:07:58,400

so we're going to have to probably

219

00:08:02,309 --> 00:08:00,720

iterate our way our way there i think i

220

00:08:03,670 --> 00:08:02,319

should mention whether one of the sort

221

00:08:05,749 --> 00:08:03,680

of side point is

222

00:08:08,469 --> 00:08:05,759

that we did we did a

223

00:08:11,189 --> 00:08:08,479

longer coast and restart of the upper

224

00:08:12,710 --> 00:08:11,199

stage so this is a very sort of optional

225

00:08:15,270 --> 00:08:12,720

thing

226

00:08:18,550 --> 00:08:15,280

just to see what our propelled

227

00:08:21,110 --> 00:08:18,560

residuals were and what the

228

00:08:23,749 --> 00:08:21,120

environments would be on the stage

229

00:08:25,670 --> 00:08:23,759

you know during a

230

00:08:27,670 --> 00:08:25,680

depletion shutdown

231

00:08:28,790 --> 00:08:27,680

and the upper stage coasted for about 35

232

00:08:31,670 --> 00:08:28,800

minutes

233

00:08:33,029 --> 00:08:31,680

and then restarted for a few seconds

234

00:08:35,750 --> 00:08:33,039

and went to

235

00:08:39,190 --> 00:08:35,760

to essentially zero liquid oxygen level

236

00:08:41,350 --> 00:08:39,200

with about 0.15 percent of propellant

237

00:08:42,949 --> 00:08:41,360

mass and fuel remaining which is very

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00:08:45,269 --> 00:08:42,959

close to our target so

239

00:08:48,310 --> 00:08:45,279

that that's helpful for us to

240

00:08:52,230 --> 00:08:49,829

essentially to reduce the uncertainty

241

00:08:54,389 --> 00:08:52,240

associated with propellant residuals

242

00:08:56,790 --> 00:08:54,399

and thus improve the the mission

243

00:08:59,509 --> 00:08:56,800

performance margin calculation on on

244

00:09:00,790 --> 00:08:59,519

future missions

245

00:09:05,750 --> 00:09:00,800

rob

246

00:09:08,630 --> 00:09:05,760

i guess for elon um you mentioned uh

247

00:09:10,790 --> 00:09:08,640

having some challenges with the quads

248

00:09:12,550 --> 00:09:10,800

um can you go into a little more detail

249

00:09:16,310 --> 00:09:12,560

and i think you have a burn coming up

250

00:09:17,590 --> 00:09:16,320

pretty soon will you be doing that burn

251  
00:09:19,910 --> 00:09:17,600  
um well i mean right now i'm on the

252  
00:09:21,750 --> 00:09:19,920  
phone so uh i

253  
00:09:23,110 --> 00:09:21,760  
when i left about

254  
00:09:24,310 --> 00:09:23,120  
15 minutes ago everything was looking

255  
00:09:25,750 --> 00:09:24,320  
good

256  
00:09:28,230 --> 00:09:25,760  
and

257  
00:09:29,829 --> 00:09:28,240  
there was um

258  
00:09:30,710 --> 00:09:29,839  
an isolation valve

259  
00:09:33,670 --> 00:09:30,720  
that

260  
00:09:35,750 --> 00:09:33,680  
feeds two of the

261  
00:09:36,710 --> 00:09:35,760  
thruster

262  
00:09:39,110 --> 00:09:36,720  
and

263  
00:09:41,509 --> 00:09:39,120

that that valve was was not responding

264

00:09:43,030 --> 00:09:41,519

so we went to the

265

00:09:44,230 --> 00:09:43,040

the backup valve and that that one

266

00:09:46,150 --> 00:09:44,240

worked fine

267

00:09:47,430 --> 00:09:46,160

so

268

00:09:49,910 --> 00:09:47,440

when i left

269

00:09:52,230 --> 00:09:49,920

everything was looking good for

270

00:09:53,350 --> 00:09:52,240

you know all thrusters enabled on on the

271

00:09:54,710 --> 00:09:53,360

vehicle

272

00:09:56,470 --> 00:09:54,720

so

273

00:10:00,710 --> 00:09:56,480

as far as i know the we're on track to

274

00:10:05,430 --> 00:10:02,790

hi elon this is stephen clark with space

275

00:10:07,430 --> 00:10:05,440

flight now just a question looking ahead

276  
00:10:08,710 --> 00:10:07,440  
for the rest of the year with the

277  
00:10:10,069 --> 00:10:08,720  
trouble getting

278  
00:10:12,790 --> 00:10:10,079  
this rocket off

279  
00:10:14,310 --> 00:10:12,800  
over the last few weeks

280  
00:10:15,269 --> 00:10:14,320  
does this affect how many launches you

281  
00:10:17,269 --> 00:10:15,279  
planned for the rest of the year i

282  
00:10:18,550 --> 00:10:17,279  
believe it was 10 total

283  
00:10:20,470 --> 00:10:18,560  
before this

284  
00:10:24,790 --> 00:10:20,480  
and

285  
00:10:26,150 --> 00:10:24,800  
the the thruster pod issue is it related

286  
00:10:31,269 --> 00:10:26,160  
at all to the

287  
00:10:34,230 --> 00:10:32,389  
uh

288  
00:10:36,949 --> 00:10:34,240

so i mean i think we think we can

289

00:10:38,310 --> 00:10:36,959

probably still do 10 but um it's

290

00:10:40,069 --> 00:10:38,320

probably it's a bit too early to tell if

291

00:10:41,190 --> 00:10:40,079

all 10 will occur this year

292

00:10:44,550 --> 00:10:41,200

um

293

00:10:48,310 --> 00:10:44,560

the uh the the the main constraint is

294

00:10:49,190 --> 00:10:48,320

actually on vehicle production uh which

295

00:10:50,069 --> 00:10:49,200

uh

296

00:10:54,150 --> 00:10:50,079

and

297

00:10:56,150 --> 00:10:54,160

particular part which is an injector

298

00:10:58,069 --> 00:10:56,160

casting

299

00:11:01,509 --> 00:10:58,079

and we we think we've resolved that

300

00:11:02,630 --> 00:11:01,519

particular issue which should unlock

301  
00:11:03,990 --> 00:11:02,640  
the

302  
00:11:05,110 --> 00:11:04,000  
you know quite a high rate of boost

303  
00:11:06,470 --> 00:11:05,120  
production

304  
00:11:08,790 --> 00:11:06,480  
um

305  
00:11:09,829 --> 00:11:08,800  
and uh yeah so bottom line is that i

306  
00:11:11,269 --> 00:11:09,839  
think

307  
00:11:13,509 --> 00:11:11,279  
we will

308  
00:11:14,470 --> 00:11:13,519  
do 10 or something very close to 10 this

309  
00:11:16,630 --> 00:11:14,480  
year

310  
00:11:18,710 --> 00:11:16,640  
uh you searched obviously it's a launch

311  
00:11:21,509 --> 00:11:18,720  
month um slightly better than launch

312  
00:11:21,519 --> 00:11:25,190  
and then

313  
00:11:29,990 --> 00:11:26,710

we don't get know enough to say whether

314

00:11:31,350 --> 00:11:30,000

there's any commonality between this

315

00:11:33,590 --> 00:11:31,360

uh

316

00:11:35,030 --> 00:11:33,600

this particular valve and the

317

00:11:37,990 --> 00:11:35,040

valve issue and the one that occurred

318

00:11:41,590 --> 00:11:40,310

i don't think it's the same but you know

319

00:11:42,630 --> 00:11:41,600

it's always

320

00:11:51,430 --> 00:11:42,640

i

321

00:11:52,470 --> 00:11:51,440

same but we don't yet know

322

00:11:53,750 --> 00:11:52,480

okay we're going to take one more

323

00:11:55,269 --> 00:11:53,760

question here before we go to the

324

00:11:58,470 --> 00:11:55,279

telephone bridge and then we'll come

325

00:12:01,590 --> 00:11:58,480

back for uh follow-up questions bill uh

326

00:12:03,190 --> 00:12:01,600

bill harwich cbs news for mr musk um

327

00:12:05,110 --> 00:12:03,200

technical stuff aside i'm just wondering

328

00:12:06,389 --> 00:12:05,120

how you're feeling this is the third crs

329

00:12:08,069 --> 00:12:06,399

mission it's off the ground to a good

330

00:12:09,190 --> 00:12:08,079

start you've got a pretty good string

331

00:12:10,949 --> 00:12:09,200

going what are your what are your

332

00:12:12,389 --> 00:12:10,959

personal thoughts is uh

333

00:12:15,269 --> 00:12:12,399

i realize the mission's not over but i

334

00:12:17,829 --> 00:12:15,279

mean at this point anyway thanks

335

00:12:20,550 --> 00:12:17,839

um i'm feeling pretty excited and this

336

00:12:22,870 --> 00:12:20,560

is a happy day um i mean most important

337

00:12:24,389 --> 00:12:22,880

of all uh is that

338

00:12:26,629 --> 00:12:24,399

you know that

339

00:12:27,509 --> 00:12:26,639

we did a good job for nasa i mean

340

00:12:30,389 --> 00:12:27,519

the

341

00:12:31,350 --> 00:12:30,399

number one thing do we do a job for our

342

00:12:33,670 --> 00:12:31,360

customer

343

00:12:34,870 --> 00:12:33,680

so you know that's you know everything

344

00:12:36,629 --> 00:12:34,880

else is like

345

00:12:38,470 --> 00:12:36,639

secondary to that so

346

00:12:39,829 --> 00:12:38,480

i'm just glad we're able to

347

00:12:41,590 --> 00:12:39,839

to you know

348

00:12:43,670 --> 00:12:41,600

do the job of a contract for or at least

349

00:12:45,670 --> 00:12:43,680

thus far we're doing it

350

00:12:47,750 --> 00:12:45,680

maybe it hasn't get docked with the

351  
00:12:49,990 --> 00:12:47,760  
space station but um

352  
00:12:53,030 --> 00:12:50,000  
number one i'm super happy that we have

353  
00:12:53,910 --> 00:12:53,040  
made good progress so far in

354  
00:12:56,790 --> 00:12:53,920  
you know

355  
00:12:58,069 --> 00:12:56,800  
for for our nasa customers so

356  
00:12:59,750 --> 00:12:58,079  
and then

357  
00:13:01,910 --> 00:12:59,760  
on top of that i'm also excited that we

358  
00:13:03,030 --> 00:13:01,920  
got

359  
00:13:04,949 --> 00:13:03,040  
good data

360  
00:13:06,949 --> 00:13:04,959  
through

361  
00:13:09,509 --> 00:13:06,959  
max dynamic pressure the

362  
00:13:11,110 --> 00:13:09,519  
of of the re-entry of the boost stage

363  
00:13:13,030 --> 00:13:11,120

and even though we probably won't get

364

00:13:15,350 --> 00:13:13,040

the stage back i think we're really

365

00:13:18,629 --> 00:13:15,360

starting to put the connect the dots of

366

00:13:20,310 --> 00:13:18,639

what's needed uh when you combine the

367

00:13:21,670 --> 00:13:20,320

takeover overlanding yesterday of the

368

00:13:24,470 --> 00:13:21,680

flight design

369

00:13:25,269 --> 00:13:24,480

uh landing legs um

370

00:13:27,509 --> 00:13:25,279

and

371

00:13:30,470 --> 00:13:27,519

the greater progress

372

00:13:34,949 --> 00:13:32,389

on this flight today

373

00:13:37,509 --> 00:13:34,959

i mean there's just only a few more dots

374

00:13:38,790 --> 00:13:37,519

that needs to be there to have it all

375

00:13:40,790 --> 00:13:38,800

all work

376

00:13:42,310 --> 00:13:40,800

um and i think that

377

00:13:44,389 --> 00:13:42,320

that that i think it's i think we've got

378

00:13:46,310 --> 00:13:44,399

a decent chance of bringing a stage back

379

00:13:48,150 --> 00:13:46,320

this year which is which would be

380

00:13:49,910 --> 00:13:48,160

wonderful

381

00:13:53,269 --> 00:13:49,920

because i think what we've done thus far

382

00:13:54,629 --> 00:13:53,279

is is evolutionary

383

00:13:56,150 --> 00:13:54,639

evolutionary improvements but but that

384

00:13:58,790 --> 00:13:56,160

holds the potential for something more

385

00:14:01,990 --> 00:14:00,069

all right let's go to the telephone

386

00:14:04,310 --> 00:14:02,000

bridge and start off with alan boyle

387

00:14:06,069 --> 00:14:04,320

alan

388

00:14:07,189 --> 00:14:06,079

hi i guess this would be for elon or

389

00:14:09,030 --> 00:14:07,199

hans

390

00:14:11,590 --> 00:14:09,040

some people had remarked about a dark

391

00:14:13,670 --> 00:14:11,600

plume that that rose up along the side

392

00:14:14,949 --> 00:14:13,680

of the rocket

393

00:14:17,430 --> 00:14:14,959

during launch

394

00:14:21,829 --> 00:14:17,440

was that any concern uh what was going

395

00:14:24,710 --> 00:14:22,870

yeah

396

00:14:26,230 --> 00:14:24,720

i i mean i know what happened but hans

397

00:14:28,230 --> 00:14:26,240

you weren't doing anything i i actually

398

00:14:29,829 --> 00:14:28,240

don't know either i i think i heard

399

00:14:31,189 --> 00:14:29,839

people say that but i don't know what

400

00:14:32,790 --> 00:14:31,199

the root cause is at this point in time

401  
00:14:33,670 --> 00:14:32,800  
it could have been water

402  
00:14:35,990 --> 00:14:33,680  
um

403  
00:14:38,790 --> 00:14:36,000  
yeah that's uh so i i i thought that

404  
00:14:41,189 --> 00:14:38,800  
question might be asked so i um looked

405  
00:14:41,990 --> 00:14:41,199  
into it and and uh

406  
00:14:46,629 --> 00:14:42,000  
we

407  
00:14:48,790 --> 00:14:46,639  
all around the pad um and

408  
00:14:52,550 --> 00:14:48,800  
we essentially what happens is we splash

409  
00:14:55,829 --> 00:14:54,870  
so a little embarrassing but

410  
00:14:58,949 --> 00:14:55,839  
no harm

411  
00:15:02,230 --> 00:15:00,150  
okay uh

412  
00:15:04,949 --> 00:15:02,240  
still on the phone uh dan leone from

413  
00:15:06,150 --> 00:15:04,959

space news dan

414

00:15:08,870 --> 00:15:06,160

hi everybody thanks for having the

415

00:15:10,870 --> 00:15:08,880

conference call um i guess one for nasa

416

00:15:12,550 --> 00:15:10,880

and one for spacex can we just get a

417

00:15:15,509 --> 00:15:12,560

sanity check about when rendezvous and

418

00:15:16,389 --> 00:15:15,519

proxima proc operations are supposed to

419

00:15:18,710 --> 00:15:16,399

start

420

00:15:19,670 --> 00:15:18,720

from nasa and sort of a big picture

421

00:15:22,870 --> 00:15:19,680

question

422

00:15:24,790 --> 00:15:22,880

on reusability uh how far down the road

423

00:15:27,670 --> 00:15:24,800

as far as you know doing some back of

424

00:15:29,590 --> 00:15:27,680

the napkin calculations have you gotten

425

00:15:31,670 --> 00:15:29,600

to see whether

426

00:15:33,990 --> 00:15:31,680

the cheapest way to increase launch

427

00:15:37,509 --> 00:15:34,000

rates and have inexpensive launches is

428

00:15:39,509 --> 00:15:37,519

really to fly a stages back refurb them

429

00:15:40,790 --> 00:15:39,519

refuel them and send them back up versus

430

00:15:41,910 --> 00:15:40,800

you know maybe just trying to make a

431

00:15:43,910 --> 00:15:41,920

dent

432

00:15:46,389 --> 00:15:43,920

in the manufacturing side or something

433

00:15:48,150 --> 00:15:46,399

like this

434

00:15:49,990 --> 00:15:48,160

i'll start off with the rendezvous

435

00:15:51,670 --> 00:15:50,000

question basically

436

00:15:53,430 --> 00:15:51,680

the burn got delayed a little bit the

437

00:15:55,189 --> 00:15:53,440

burn actually wasn't required but it

438

00:15:57,030 --> 00:15:55,199

won't affect the overall rendezvous

439

00:15:58,470 --> 00:15:57,040

sequence it'll still be on sunday pretty

440

00:16:00,150 --> 00:15:58,480

much as it's planned there may be a

441

00:16:01,430 --> 00:16:00,160

couple minutes of movement but not very

442

00:16:03,269 --> 00:16:01,440

much it's really set on lighting

443

00:16:05,590 --> 00:16:03,279

conditions so all the rendezvous stuff

444

00:16:07,269 --> 00:16:05,600

that we had planned will be pretty much

445

00:16:08,629 --> 00:16:07,279

as it's been published pre-flight this

446

00:16:15,350 --> 00:16:08,639

is just some minor changes and you'll

447

00:16:19,350 --> 00:16:17,269

so uh george to answer the question of

448

00:16:21,189 --> 00:16:19,360

like what is roof reflect likely to do

449

00:16:23,749 --> 00:16:21,199

um is that

450

00:16:25,749 --> 00:16:23,759

which

451

00:16:27,110 --> 00:16:25,759

just let me to give it context for

452

00:16:29,990 --> 00:16:27,120

example parts of the shuttle were

453

00:16:31,590 --> 00:16:30,000

reusable and the shuttle was impressive

454

00:16:32,870 --> 00:16:31,600

although i don't think anyone would

455

00:16:34,870 --> 00:16:32,880

argue that it was particularly

456

00:16:37,030 --> 00:16:34,880

inexpensive

457

00:16:38,790 --> 00:16:37,040

uh true uh so

458

00:16:40,949 --> 00:16:38,800

there is a um

459

00:16:43,350 --> 00:16:40,959

a step beyond simply reusing something

460

00:16:45,189 --> 00:16:43,360

that is important uh what's or some

461

00:16:46,949 --> 00:16:45,199

conditions on reuse in order to make the

462

00:16:49,269 --> 00:16:46,959

reuse um

463

00:16:52,069 --> 00:16:49,279

have a a big effect on the space

464

00:16:54,550 --> 00:16:52,079

industry which is that the reuse must be

465

00:16:55,430 --> 00:16:54,560

both rapid and complete

466

00:16:57,509 --> 00:16:55,440

um

467

00:16:59,269 --> 00:16:57,519

like an aircraft or a car or something

468

00:17:01,030 --> 00:16:59,279

like that

469

00:17:02,629 --> 00:17:01,040

if you have to disassemble and

470

00:17:04,870 --> 00:17:02,639

reassemble a car and change a bunch of

471

00:17:06,309 --> 00:17:04,880

parts in between driving it would make

472

00:17:07,590 --> 00:17:06,319

it quite expensive

473

00:17:09,990 --> 00:17:07,600

um

474

00:17:13,590 --> 00:17:11,750

we don't it's true that we don't just

475

00:17:16,470 --> 00:17:13,600

have to recover it we have to show that

476

00:17:19,669 --> 00:17:16,480

it can be reflowed

477

00:17:21,189 --> 00:17:19,679

quickly and and easily with i said

478

00:17:22,470 --> 00:17:21,199

but the only change with the only thing

479

00:17:25,189 --> 00:17:22,480

changing being

480

00:17:27,669 --> 00:17:25,199

um reloading propellant um and another

481

00:17:29,190 --> 00:17:27,679

expensive you know

482

00:17:32,549 --> 00:17:29,200

basically

483

00:17:33,990 --> 00:17:32,559

the equivalent of refueling so

484

00:17:35,830 --> 00:17:34,000

um

485

00:17:37,830 --> 00:17:35,840

now the vehicle is is sort of designed

486

00:17:39,029 --> 00:17:37,840

for that um

487

00:17:40,710 --> 00:17:39,039

you know the unfortunate thing with the

488

00:17:42,549 --> 00:17:40,720

shuttle was that the the original design

489

00:17:44,390 --> 00:17:42,559

for the shuttle was

490

00:17:45,750 --> 00:17:44,400

um like

491

00:17:47,590 --> 00:17:45,760

well well sort of

492

00:17:49,590 --> 00:17:47,600

fairly well suited for

493

00:17:51,590 --> 00:17:49,600

a good reuse but then

494

00:17:54,390 --> 00:17:51,600

the requirements changed and made it

495

00:17:56,470 --> 00:17:54,400

very difficult to to reuse uh

496

00:17:58,230 --> 00:17:56,480

efficiently

497

00:18:00,070 --> 00:17:58,240

and

498

00:18:01,430 --> 00:18:00,080

you know so as long as we were able to

499

00:18:03,110 --> 00:18:01,440

hold to

500

00:18:04,549 --> 00:18:03,120

our our requirements i think we will be

501  
00:18:07,190 --> 00:18:04,559  
able to achieve the

502  
00:18:08,789 --> 00:18:07,200  
rapid and and essentially complete reuse

503  
00:18:11,430 --> 00:18:08,799  
um

504  
00:18:13,270 --> 00:18:11,440  
and uh so what i'm hoping will occur is

505  
00:18:14,870 --> 00:18:13,280  
and i'm feeling a little bit more

506  
00:18:18,310 --> 00:18:14,880  
optimistic about it is that this year at

507  
00:18:19,830 --> 00:18:18,320  
least we will recover the rocket booster

508  
00:18:22,470 --> 00:18:19,840  
i'm not sure we'll be able to re-fly it

509  
00:18:23,909 --> 00:18:22,480  
this year but i i think um re-flying it

510  
00:18:26,710 --> 00:18:23,919  
next year is

511  
00:18:27,830 --> 00:18:26,720  
is um is likely if we recover it this

512  
00:18:28,950 --> 00:18:27,840  
year

513  
00:18:31,430 --> 00:18:28,960

and

514

00:18:32,870 --> 00:18:31,440

then you know that that'll

515

00:18:35,669 --> 00:18:32,880

complete the picture at least as far as

516

00:18:37,590 --> 00:18:35,679

the boost stage is concerned

517

00:18:41,990 --> 00:18:37,600

okay our next question is from michael

518

00:18:46,390 --> 00:18:43,909

hi there a question for elon i'm

519

00:18:47,350 --> 00:18:46,400

wondering how far down range

520

00:18:50,150 --> 00:18:47,360

the

521

00:18:52,230 --> 00:18:50,160

field was maybe off and

522

00:18:55,430 --> 00:18:52,240

how far downrange from the cape on

523

00:18:59,669 --> 00:18:57,029

uh sorry but it was a bit hard to hear i

524

00:19:01,510 --> 00:18:59,679

think you said how far down range

525

00:19:05,669 --> 00:19:01,520

um

526

00:19:07,110 --> 00:19:05,679

i think it's uh

527

00:19:09,510 --> 00:19:07,120

it's about four or 500 kilometers

528

00:19:11,830 --> 00:19:09,520

downrange um

529

00:19:13,029 --> 00:19:11,840

away from the cape essentially um

530

00:19:15,270 --> 00:19:13,039

and then

531

00:19:20,789 --> 00:19:15,280

the nearest shore is uh

532

00:19:25,750 --> 00:19:22,549

and that's at main engine cut-off or

533

00:19:27,350 --> 00:19:25,760

re-entry or both that's where that's

534

00:19:32,390 --> 00:19:27,360

sort of the normal

535

00:19:35,110 --> 00:19:33,830

which it was headed for i should mention

536

00:19:36,950 --> 00:19:35,120

that it was

537

00:19:43,990 --> 00:19:36,960

headed quite precisely for the the

538

00:19:57,029 --> 00:19:46,070

okay the next question is from rand

539

00:20:00,390 --> 00:19:58,310

because hopefully we'll have the

540

00:20:02,230 --> 00:20:00,400

aircraft telemetry that i'd like to look

541

00:20:06,230 --> 00:20:02,240

at so i'll just be on for another two

542

00:20:10,470 --> 00:20:07,350

okay um

543

00:20:13,029 --> 00:20:10,480

let's try miriam cramer miriam

544

00:20:15,669 --> 00:20:13,039

hey um yeah miriam famer with space.com

545

00:20:18,549 --> 00:20:15,679

uh so i have one question for spacex and

546

00:20:21,750 --> 00:20:18,559

another for nasa um and i'm wondering

547

00:20:24,230 --> 00:20:21,760

uh for elon i think were the multiple

548

00:20:26,870 --> 00:20:24,240

delays um challenging i mean was this

549

00:20:28,390 --> 00:20:26,880

kind of a test uh for the team just

550

00:20:31,110 --> 00:20:28,400

having to push it back and push it back

551  
00:20:33,990 --> 00:20:31,120  
and push it back um and then i'm for for

552  
00:20:36,230 --> 00:20:34,000  
nasa i'm curious does this mean um that

553  
00:20:40,070 --> 00:20:36,240  
the orbital launch is officially put off

554  
00:20:43,909 --> 00:20:42,710  
well i mean from the spacex we

555  
00:20:45,270 --> 00:20:43,919  
yeah

556  
00:20:48,470 --> 00:20:45,280  
there was there were a fair bit of new

557  
00:20:50,549 --> 00:20:48,480  
things with this rocket and with the

558  
00:20:52,470 --> 00:20:50,559  
dragon avionics this was actually quite

559  
00:20:54,310 --> 00:20:52,480  
a substantial revision of dragon

560  
00:20:55,990 --> 00:20:54,320  
avionics for example and a new software

561  
00:20:57,270 --> 00:20:56,000  
that accompanied it and of course the

562  
00:20:58,870 --> 00:20:57,280  
rocket had the

563  
00:21:01,029 --> 00:20:58,880

landing legs

564

00:21:03,510 --> 00:21:01,039

and improved nitrogen thrusters and a

565

00:21:05,669 --> 00:21:03,520

few other things so

566

00:21:07,430 --> 00:21:05,679

uh it was definitely just definitely not

567

00:21:09,830 --> 00:21:07,440

our you know in the future we want to

568

00:21:10,789 --> 00:21:09,840

try to get to

569

00:21:12,789 --> 00:21:10,799

launching

570

00:21:13,909 --> 00:21:12,799

exactly on time without any delays

571

00:21:14,950 --> 00:21:13,919

um

572

00:21:20,070 --> 00:21:14,960

and

573

00:21:21,190 --> 00:21:20,080

having delays that's not our aspiration

574

00:21:23,350 --> 00:21:21,200

but i think the team

575

00:21:24,789 --> 00:21:23,360

did do a great job of responding to the

576  
00:21:26,549 --> 00:21:24,799  
various issues

577  
00:21:28,710 --> 00:21:26,559  
and i'm certainly very proud of what

578  
00:21:30,630 --> 00:21:28,720  
they've done

579  
00:21:32,390 --> 00:21:30,640  
yeah i think another thing to consider

580  
00:21:33,990 --> 00:21:32,400  
is space station is a pretty tough thing

581  
00:21:35,909 --> 00:21:34,000  
to do the rendezvous with when we look

582  
00:21:37,510 --> 00:21:35,919  
at all the constraints because we had

583  
00:21:39,270 --> 00:21:37,520  
you know progress flights coming up

584  
00:21:41,590 --> 00:21:39,280  
we've got some eva

585  
00:21:43,110 --> 00:21:41,600  
activities coming up pretty quickly

586  
00:21:45,190 --> 00:21:43,120  
we've got the

587  
00:21:47,270 --> 00:21:45,200  
soyuz landing and soyuz launch cycle

588  
00:21:49,029 --> 00:21:47,280

coming up so and then we have to watch

589

00:21:51,029 --> 00:21:49,039

the dragon landing and the dragon

590

00:21:52,710 --> 00:21:51,039

landing has to be again set by orbital

591

00:21:54,710 --> 00:21:52,720

mechanics and where space station is and

592

00:21:56,149 --> 00:21:54,720

when you undock and where you put the

593

00:21:58,470 --> 00:21:56,159

dragon with respect to the coast of

594

00:21:59,830 --> 00:21:58,480

california that's another constraint so

595

00:22:01,990 --> 00:21:59,840

you put all those together and that

596

00:22:03,590 --> 00:22:02,000

makes space station flights even tougher

597

00:22:05,590 --> 00:22:03,600

from a manifesting standpoint so it's

598

00:22:06,870 --> 00:22:05,600

not only the hardware and the weather

599

00:22:08,149 --> 00:22:06,880

and the normal things with the rocket

600

00:22:10,470 --> 00:22:08,159

but then you've got all these unique

601  
00:22:12,870 --> 00:22:10,480  
phasing things that that play in and

602  
00:22:15,029 --> 00:22:12,880  
that makes it a pretty tough scenario to

603  
00:22:17,029 --> 00:22:15,039  
get a good launch

604  
00:22:18,789 --> 00:22:17,039  
together and make it work so the team

605  
00:22:20,390 --> 00:22:18,799  
again working last night to protect

606  
00:22:21,830 --> 00:22:20,400  
today's option was tremendously

607  
00:22:24,950 --> 00:22:21,840  
important to us that that really worked

608  
00:22:26,789 --> 00:22:24,960  
out well to your question about orbital

609  
00:22:28,149 --> 00:22:26,799  
because i'm superstitious we'll probably

610  
00:22:30,390 --> 00:22:28,159  
continue to ask orbital to keep

611  
00:22:32,070 --> 00:22:30,400  
preparing for may 6 until we get dragon

612  
00:22:34,310 --> 00:22:32,080  
safely

613  
00:22:35,750 --> 00:22:34,320

attached to station and birth but once

614

00:22:37,669 --> 00:22:35,760

dragon becomes

615

00:22:39,750 --> 00:22:37,679

safely attached and birthed on sunday

616

00:22:41,350 --> 00:22:39,760

then we'll release the orbital team but

617

00:22:42,950 --> 00:22:41,360

i think until then we'll ask orbital

618

00:22:44,710 --> 00:22:42,960

still protect till may and then after

619

00:22:46,149 --> 00:22:44,720

that that birthing occurs we'll then

620

00:22:49,029 --> 00:22:46,159

release the orbital team and let them

621

00:22:50,710 --> 00:22:49,039

move into the june time frame

622

00:22:54,230 --> 00:22:50,720

our next question on the phone is from

623

00:23:00,950 --> 00:22:54,240

joseph abbott

624

00:23:02,789 --> 00:23:00,960

first i was going to ask if you have a

625

00:23:04,149 --> 00:23:02,799

date set now for the orbcom launch

626

00:23:06,149 --> 00:23:04,159

coming up

627

00:23:09,029 --> 00:23:06,159

and i was going to als i was also

628

00:23:11,590 --> 00:23:09,039

wanting to know if you could tell me

629

00:23:14,390 --> 00:23:11,600

how many more tests on the f9 or

630

00:23:16,310 --> 00:23:14,400

development vehicle at mcgregor before

631

00:23:18,630 --> 00:23:16,320

it moves on to spaceport america and new

632

00:23:19,990 --> 00:23:18,640

mexico

633

00:23:21,190 --> 00:23:20,000

for elon

634

00:23:22,230 --> 00:23:21,200

sure i'll

635

00:23:23,830 --> 00:23:22,240

answer that question then i'm gonna have

636

00:23:25,270 --> 00:23:23,840

to jump for the call

637

00:23:29,190 --> 00:23:25,280

um

638

00:23:31,510 --> 00:23:29,200

so let's see so for the ovcom launch is

639

00:23:33,350 --> 00:23:31,520

expected to to happen in the next four

640

00:23:34,950 --> 00:23:33,360

to six weeks um

641

00:23:37,029 --> 00:23:34,960

and uh you know

642

00:23:38,950 --> 00:23:37,039

we want to obviously make sure we review

643

00:23:40,230 --> 00:23:38,960

carefully the data from this launch

644

00:23:41,909 --> 00:23:40,240

because although i mean everything went

645

00:23:43,269 --> 00:23:41,919

fine but we always review the data to

646

00:23:45,430 --> 00:23:43,279

see if there were any

647

00:23:47,909 --> 00:23:45,440

near-miss issues that need to be looked

648

00:23:49,269 --> 00:23:47,919

into and corrected

649

00:23:51,190 --> 00:23:49,279

we don't know of anything yet but we

650

00:23:54,710 --> 00:23:51,200

want to make sure of that and

651  
00:23:56,070 --> 00:23:54,720  
then uh regarding the f9r um

652  
00:23:57,110 --> 00:23:56,080  
we're going to have

653  
00:23:58,549 --> 00:23:57,120  
uh

654  
00:24:01,590 --> 00:23:58,559  
really

655  
00:24:04,870 --> 00:24:01,600  
we're going to keep doing tests um at a

656  
00:24:07,750 --> 00:24:04,880  
mcgregor test site near waco

657  
00:24:09,029 --> 00:24:07,760  
with the f9r stage this so what we have

658  
00:24:14,470 --> 00:24:09,039  
at uh

659  
00:24:19,350 --> 00:24:16,630  
what's called fnr dev1 which is sort of

660  
00:24:21,190 --> 00:24:19,360  
developing unit one there's dev2

661  
00:24:23,350 --> 00:24:21,200  
um and

662  
00:24:25,110 --> 00:24:23,360  
so one of those will be at uh

663  
00:24:28,549 --> 00:24:25,120

mcgregor one of them will be at uh

664

00:24:31,190 --> 00:24:28,559

spaceport america in new mexico

665

00:24:33,510 --> 00:24:31,200

and so so anything we can test at a

666

00:24:36,149 --> 00:24:33,520

relatively low altitude

667

00:24:37,669 --> 00:24:36,159

so below around ten thousand feet uh

668

00:24:41,269 --> 00:24:37,679

we'll continue to do

669

00:24:43,510 --> 00:24:41,279

um in uh in mcgregor uh and and then the

670

00:24:46,630 --> 00:24:43,520

the high altitude stuff where it's going

671

00:24:48,149 --> 00:24:46,640

extra atmospheric and um you know going

672

00:24:50,390 --> 00:24:48,159

going to sort of

673

00:24:51,190 --> 00:24:50,400

300 000 feet plus and that kind of thing

674

00:24:52,870 --> 00:24:51,200

will

675

00:24:55,750 --> 00:24:52,880

um we'll be doing in mexico because we

676  
00:24:57,510 --> 00:24:55,760  
just need a much bigger clear area

677  
00:24:59,190 --> 00:24:57,520  
um but i would expect those those tests

678  
00:25:01,110 --> 00:24:59,200  
to be we will continue refining the

679  
00:25:02,310 --> 00:25:01,120  
technology over time

680  
00:25:03,669 --> 00:25:02,320  
because

681  
00:25:04,789 --> 00:25:03,679  
we had further question that was asked

682  
00:25:06,630 --> 00:25:04,799  
earlier

683  
00:25:08,470 --> 00:25:06,640  
you know reusability

684  
00:25:12,230 --> 00:25:08,480  
only matters to the degree that to agree

685  
00:25:13,510 --> 00:25:12,240  
that it's rapid and complete

686  
00:25:15,269 --> 00:25:13,520  
otherwise

687  
00:25:17,029 --> 00:25:15,279  
it's sort of reusability but you don't

688  
00:25:18,230 --> 00:25:17,039

you don't get the equivalent economic

689

00:25:20,470 --> 00:25:18,240

benefit that

690

00:25:22,230 --> 00:25:20,480

that has uh you know huge

691

00:25:24,230 --> 00:25:22,240

huge potential to to open up space

692

00:25:26,789 --> 00:25:24,240

flight

693

00:25:28,390 --> 00:25:26,799

all right thanks for the question

694

00:25:30,390 --> 00:25:28,400

all right mr bus thank you for being

695

00:25:33,110 --> 00:25:30,400

with us uh we'll try one more

696

00:25:34,630 --> 00:25:33,120

time for rand simberg on the telephone

697

00:25:37,190 --> 00:25:34,640

rand are you there

698

00:25:41,430 --> 00:25:39,590

go ahead with your question please

699

00:25:46,070 --> 00:25:41,440

yeah if elon's still available because

700

00:25:49,269 --> 00:25:47,269

i'm assuming that you're going to try

701

00:25:52,789 --> 00:25:49,279

another water landing uh you're not

702

00:25:54,149 --> 00:25:52,799

going to attempt land uh on on any on

703

00:25:55,990 --> 00:25:54,159

the next one i don't get this question

704

00:25:57,510 --> 00:25:56,000

did you get enough data to give you

705

00:25:58,549 --> 00:25:57,520

confidence that you can fly back to land

706

00:25:59,750 --> 00:25:58,559

or you're going to try it in the water

707

00:26:01,590 --> 00:25:59,760

again and

708

00:26:03,430 --> 00:26:01,600

how much of a setback is it that you

709

00:26:04,789 --> 00:26:03,440

still haven't actually recovered a stage

710

00:26:07,110 --> 00:26:04,799

to see how much wear you're actually

711

00:26:08,310 --> 00:26:07,120

getting on it

712

00:26:10,070 --> 00:26:08,320

unfortunately

713

00:26:11,190 --> 00:26:10,080

he had to hang up i don't know hans if

714

00:26:13,430 --> 00:26:11,200

you would be able to address the

715

00:26:16,390 --> 00:26:13,440

question or not i i can hear i think um

716

00:26:18,070 --> 00:26:16,400

that the next vehicle is going to try a

717

00:26:21,750 --> 00:26:18,080

water landing again

718

00:26:24,950 --> 00:26:21,760

um and honestly i think the data are

719

00:26:25,990 --> 00:26:24,960

at this point in time really what we're

720

00:26:27,190 --> 00:26:26,000

after

721

00:26:29,190 --> 00:26:27,200

um

722

00:26:30,870 --> 00:26:29,200

and and that gives us the the clues to

723

00:26:33,669 --> 00:26:30,880

to make the uh

724

00:26:35,510 --> 00:26:33,679

uh any changes or like

725

00:26:37,510 --> 00:26:35,520

allows us to to continue this

726

00:26:39,510 --> 00:26:37,520

development so i i would say

727

00:26:41,190 --> 00:26:39,520

um we didn't

728

00:26:43,350 --> 00:26:41,200

as i said earlier you know we didn't

729

00:26:45,510 --> 00:26:43,360

really expect those the stages to to

730

00:26:48,149 --> 00:26:45,520

come back you know or we had you know

731

00:26:50,830 --> 00:26:48,159

some hope of course but um overall i

732

00:26:53,430 --> 00:26:50,840

think the data is uh much more important

733

00:26:54,390 --> 00:26:53,440

here okay we're back in the room uh

734

00:26:58,789 --> 00:26:54,400

jason

735

00:27:01,110 --> 00:26:58,799

this question goes to hans and i have

736

00:27:02,630 --> 00:27:01,120

another one um

737

00:27:04,070 --> 00:27:02,640

while it's true you didn't get the

738

00:27:05,750 --> 00:27:04,080

landing you might have wanted did you

739

00:27:07,430 --> 00:27:05,760

see anything in the telemetry data that

740

00:27:09,590 --> 00:27:07,440

said okay we're on the right track here

741

00:27:11,110 --> 00:27:09,600

or perhaps maybe something that made you

742

00:27:13,029 --> 00:27:11,120

want to rethink something else sunlight

743

00:27:14,870 --> 00:27:13,039

could you talk a bit about that so from

744

00:27:16,710 --> 00:27:14,880

what i saw basically in the in the

745

00:27:17,830 --> 00:27:16,720

control room and uh and then on the

746

00:27:20,070 --> 00:27:17,840

video

747

00:27:21,990 --> 00:27:20,080

it looked uh it looked great it looked

748

00:27:24,549 --> 00:27:22,000

uh like it's doing what it's supposed to

749

00:27:25,909 --> 00:27:24,559

do um however there's data on top of

750

00:27:27,430 --> 00:27:25,919

that that that i haven't seen yet

751

00:27:30,070 --> 00:27:27,440

they're either on the boat or on the

752

00:27:31,669 --> 00:27:30,080

airplane and we need to we need those

753

00:27:33,669 --> 00:27:31,679

data to come back first and then put

754

00:27:35,430 --> 00:27:33,679

them together and see if you can get the

755

00:27:37,990 --> 00:27:35,440

uh the full picture basically from

756

00:27:40,950 --> 00:27:38,000

liftoff to to uh reentry and and

757

00:27:41,990 --> 00:27:40,960

possibly as far as possible into landing

758

00:27:43,430 --> 00:27:42,000

so

759

00:27:45,269 --> 00:27:43,440

and this was kind of off topic from the

760

00:27:46,630 --> 00:27:45,279

day but the other day uh gwen shotwell

761

00:27:48,710 --> 00:27:46,640

was here and the announcement was made

762

00:27:50,789 --> 00:27:48,720

that lc39a would be used for falcon

763

00:27:52,070 --> 00:27:50,799

heavy and that we expect to see the

764

00:27:53,590 --> 00:27:52,080

first launch in the first quarter of

765

00:27:55,110 --> 00:27:53,600

2015.

766

00:27:57,269 --> 00:27:55,120

my question goes that perhaps this has

767

00:27:58,630 --> 00:27:57,279

already been answered but up until then

768

00:27:59,590 --> 00:27:58,640

i believe the understanding was the

769

00:28:01,590 --> 00:27:59,600

first launch would occur out of

770

00:28:02,950 --> 00:28:01,600

vandenberg is that now change to where

771

00:28:05,269 --> 00:28:02,960

the first launch will take place in

772

00:28:08,630 --> 00:28:05,279

kennedy instead of vandenberg

773

00:28:12,789 --> 00:28:10,710

okay james

774

00:28:14,549 --> 00:28:12,799

uh james dean florida today hanzon so i

775

00:28:16,389 --> 00:28:14,559

just want to clarify a couple of details

776

00:28:18,470 --> 00:28:16,399

the uh the boats i understand weren't

777

00:28:21,110 --> 00:28:18,480

able to get close uh

778

00:28:23,269 --> 00:28:21,120

so far today but you are still trying to

779

00:28:24,470 --> 00:28:23,279

get out there and and find the booster

780

00:28:26,149 --> 00:28:24,480

or is there no point in doing that

781

00:28:28,389 --> 00:28:26,159

anymore it depends on the c-state and

782

00:28:29,990 --> 00:28:28,399

and and i i heard that the c-state is

783

00:28:32,230 --> 00:28:30,000

really um it's really pretty rough right

784

00:28:34,149 --> 00:28:32,240

now i'm pretty sure if they think it's

785

00:28:36,549 --> 00:28:34,159

safe then they will um you know move

786

00:28:38,149 --> 00:28:36,559

towards the stage and uh and take a look

787

00:28:39,590 --> 00:28:38,159

um also i don't know what the airplane

788

00:28:41,669 --> 00:28:39,600

saw um

789

00:28:43,510 --> 00:28:41,679

those those those

790

00:28:45,430 --> 00:28:43,520

data and news basically come back in a

791

00:28:46,230 --> 00:28:45,440

couple hours

792

00:28:48,549 --> 00:28:46,240

and the

793

00:28:49,990 --> 00:28:48,559

the source of the telemetry that you're

794

00:28:51,909 --> 00:28:50,000

talking about getting back is that the

795

00:28:53,350 --> 00:28:51,919

nasa aircraft or where is that coming

796

00:28:54,470 --> 00:28:53,360

from no this is a

797

00:28:57,269 --> 00:28:54,480

spacex

798

00:29:00,470 --> 00:28:59,190

just curious of the detail what what was

799

00:29:01,909 --> 00:29:00,480

flying up there because nasa was also

800

00:29:03,669 --> 00:29:01,919

tracking it uh cursed as well uh i'm

801  
00:29:06,149 --> 00:29:03,679  
just curious what was up there tracking

802  
00:29:07,909 --> 00:29:06,159  
yeah we were gonna have a p3 go fly and

803  
00:29:09,830 --> 00:29:07,919  
our intent was to take a look at the

804  
00:29:11,430 --> 00:29:09,840  
supersonic thruster firings that would

805  
00:29:13,510 --> 00:29:11,440  
occur and we wanted the data because

806  
00:29:15,510 --> 00:29:13,520  
that's applicable to mars entry descent

807  
00:29:17,269 --> 00:29:15,520  
landing we were unable to fly the

808  
00:29:19,990 --> 00:29:17,279  
aircraft because of icing conditions so

809  
00:29:22,070 --> 00:29:20,000  
we did not fly our p3 aircraft so it was

810  
00:29:24,710 --> 00:29:22,080  
a spacex aircraft that that captured

811  
00:29:26,070 --> 00:29:24,720  
telemetry that hans is talking about so

812  
00:29:27,830 --> 00:29:26,080  
we didn't get a chance to fly our

813  
00:29:28,870 --> 00:29:27,840

aircraft okay

814

00:29:31,750 --> 00:29:28,880

and and

815

00:29:33,190 --> 00:29:31,760

data so far did it show uh

816

00:29:34,950 --> 00:29:33,200

or would it have shown if the landing

817

00:29:36,310 --> 00:29:34,960

lags did deploy or is that something

818

00:29:38,230 --> 00:29:36,320

that would come later

819

00:29:40,230 --> 00:29:38,240

that that's typically so the data we

820

00:29:41,590 --> 00:29:40,240

have right now at this arrow basically

821

00:29:44,310 --> 00:29:41,600

is the data that we got here from

822

00:29:46,230 --> 00:29:44,320

telford from from the range and and the

823

00:29:47,830 --> 00:29:46,240

range loses it goes over the horizon

824

00:29:51,590 --> 00:29:47,840

basically for the range

825

00:29:56,870 --> 00:29:52,549

bill

826

00:29:58,789 --> 00:29:56,880

can you clarify for me the the

827

00:30:00,549 --> 00:29:58,799

provisioning situation on station in the

828

00:30:01,909 --> 00:30:00,559

skip cycle and how all that plays out i

829

00:30:04,230 --> 00:30:01,919

was confused the other day when mr

830

00:30:05,830 --> 00:30:04,240

suffered any was talking to us about

831

00:30:07,669 --> 00:30:05,840

where your marks are out there for

832

00:30:08,789 --> 00:30:07,679

getting stuff up

833

00:30:11,430 --> 00:30:08,799

yeah i think

834

00:30:14,470 --> 00:30:11,440

the way we if we take no consumables

835

00:30:17,430 --> 00:30:14,480

resupply for a period of time um

836

00:30:19,990 --> 00:30:17,440

it i think we run into a skip cycle

837

00:30:21,669 --> 00:30:20,000

number which is like 45 days before we

838

00:30:23,029 --> 00:30:21,679

run out of critical consumables and i

839

00:30:25,029 --> 00:30:23,039

think food is one of the things that

840

00:30:26,950 --> 00:30:25,039

comes in roughly in the july time frame

841

00:30:29,029 --> 00:30:26,960

july august of this summer

842

00:30:30,789 --> 00:30:29,039

when we get spacex on board that'll push

843

00:30:32,310 --> 00:30:30,799

that date into the fall when we get

844

00:30:36,789 --> 00:30:32,320

orbital on board it'll even push it

845

00:30:41,029 --> 00:30:38,950

yeah it starts so then that's kind of

846

00:30:42,389 --> 00:30:41,039

the way we do that is we want to prepare

847

00:30:43,909 --> 00:30:42,399

if we have to bring the crew on because

848

00:30:45,430 --> 00:30:43,919

we're running out of supplies right

849

00:30:47,190 --> 00:30:45,440

that's the beginning of the clock that

850

00:30:48,950 --> 00:30:47,200

says we start preparing so we actually

851

00:30:51,909 --> 00:30:48,960

draw a line

852

00:30:53,750 --> 00:30:51,919

it's like the low uh low fuel light on

853

00:30:55,510 --> 00:30:53,760

your car right you still got quite a

854

00:30:57,029 --> 00:30:55,520

waste to drive but it's a warning that

855

00:30:59,509 --> 00:30:57,039

you are and that's and that's the july

856

00:31:02,950 --> 00:31:01,669

hi jared hayworth i'm a guest of nasa

857

00:31:04,389 --> 00:31:02,960

social and i'm a photographer with

858

00:31:06,149 --> 00:31:04,399

wehadtoday.com

859

00:31:08,230 --> 00:31:06,159

this is a question for hans looking down

860

00:31:09,590 --> 00:31:08,240

the road a little bit to the reusable

861

00:31:11,110 --> 00:31:09,600

first stage once the landing legs have

862

00:31:13,590 --> 00:31:11,120

been proven you're ready to start

863

00:31:14,630 --> 00:31:13,600

landing on the on land again

864

00:31:16,230 --> 00:31:14,640

where are you going to actually set

865

00:31:17,430 --> 00:31:16,240

these stages down this particularly

866

00:31:19,830 --> 00:31:17,440

thinking about something like a falcon

867

00:31:22,310 --> 00:31:19,840

heavy reusable where you have you know

868

00:31:23,190 --> 00:31:22,320

up to three stages coming back home

869

00:31:24,549 --> 00:31:23,200

that's going to be a particular

870

00:31:26,710 --> 00:31:24,559

challenge that's true um we're looking

871

00:31:28,710 --> 00:31:26,720

right now at landing sites um

872

00:31:30,710 --> 00:31:28,720

we we had a couple

873

00:31:32,149 --> 00:31:30,720

but we need we need to still evaluate

874

00:31:33,909 --> 00:31:32,159

exactly what's the best landing site

875

00:31:35,590 --> 00:31:33,919

here at the cape or yeah at the cape

876

00:31:36,870 --> 00:31:35,600

basically

877

00:31:38,389 --> 00:31:36,880

sorry you are still thinking somewhere

878

00:31:41,269 --> 00:31:38,399

here along the east coast somewhere on

879

00:31:42,549 --> 00:31:41,279

the florida coastline perhaps okay

880

00:31:44,630 --> 00:31:42,559

okay i think we'll take one more

881

00:31:46,549 --> 00:31:44,640

question and wrap it up go ahead please

882

00:31:48,549 --> 00:31:46,559

i am ian clought from the nasa social

883

00:31:50,470 --> 00:31:48,559

group and airlinereporter.com the

884

00:31:51,990 --> 00:31:50,480

question for spacex actually related to

885

00:31:55,190 --> 00:31:52,000

jared's question when you're bringing

886

00:31:56,950 --> 00:31:55,200

stages back have plans been started on

887

00:31:58,950 --> 00:31:56,960

how much airspace and ground area will

888

00:32:00,870 --> 00:31:58,960

have to be cleared for these tests and

889

00:32:01,909 --> 00:32:00,880

then how much will that come down when

890

00:32:04,389 --> 00:32:01,919

it gets too

891

00:32:07,110 --> 00:32:04,399

operational right so that's basically a

892

00:32:08,950 --> 00:32:07,120

question to to arrange safety um we

893

00:32:11,509 --> 00:32:08,960

we're basically um providing data for

894

00:32:13,430 --> 00:32:11,519

the analysis and then range safety will

895

00:32:14,870 --> 00:32:13,440

tell us how much space we need

896

00:32:16,070 --> 00:32:14,880

we believe it's about the same as what

897

00:32:18,470 --> 00:32:16,080

you need for

898

00:32:20,710 --> 00:32:18,480

a rocket going out

899

00:32:22,149 --> 00:32:20,720

coming back is a particular challenge

900

00:32:23,350 --> 00:32:22,159

but at the same time this stage is

901  
00:32:25,750 --> 00:32:23,360

pretty empty

902  
00:32:29,669 --> 00:32:25,760

so it's a safe state

903  
00:32:31,830 --> 00:32:29,679

safe stage to come back basically

904  
00:32:33,350 --> 00:32:31,840

okay uh do uh do you have any closing

905  
00:32:34,789 --> 00:32:33,360

remarks

906  
00:32:36,789 --> 00:32:34,799

again i would just say again

907  
00:32:38,710 --> 00:32:36,799

congratulations to spacex on just a

908  
00:32:39,909 --> 00:32:38,720

wonderful day today and tremendous

909  
00:32:41,750 --> 00:32:39,919

preparation

910  
00:32:44,950 --> 00:32:41,760

it's also fun for me to be down here in

911  
00:32:47,110 --> 00:32:44,960

florida i got to go over and see orion

912  
00:32:48,950 --> 00:32:47,120

get in testing over in the onc building

913  
00:32:50,870 --> 00:32:48,960

they did their first sine wave sweep of

914

00:32:52,710 --> 00:32:50,880

the multi-vibration test of the orion

915

00:32:55,029 --> 00:32:52,720

capsule and they just completed all

916

00:32:57,190 --> 00:32:55,039

their avionics testing and power up so

917

00:32:58,710 --> 00:32:57,200

it's pretty exciting to see that vehicle

918

00:33:00,470 --> 00:32:58,720

come together that first beyond low

919

00:33:02,070 --> 00:33:00,480

earth orbit vehicle over in the onc

920

00:33:03,509 --> 00:33:02,080

building and if you get a chance you

921

00:33:05,430 --> 00:33:03,519

need to go over and see the vehicle as

922

00:33:06,710 --> 00:33:05,440

it goes through these next couple stages

923

00:33:08,789 --> 00:33:06,720

over the next couple months getting

924

00:33:10,549 --> 00:33:08,799

ready for the december launch so heat

925

00:33:11,990 --> 00:33:10,559

shield addition and putting it on top of

926

00:33:13,509 --> 00:33:12,000

the service module and looking at a

927

00:33:15,669 --> 00:33:13,519

launch abort system it's a pretty

928

00:33:17,190 --> 00:33:15,679

amazing spacecraft and it's fun for me

929

00:33:19,190 --> 00:33:17,200

as an engineer to get a chance to go see

930

00:33:22,070 --> 00:33:19,200

hardware again and get out of washington

931

00:33:23,750 --> 00:33:22,080

so this is an ultimately great visit for

932

00:33:25,430 --> 00:33:23,760

me down here i got to see our hardware

933

00:33:28,149 --> 00:33:25,440

beyond low earth orbit and i got to see

934

00:33:29,750 --> 00:33:28,159

a launch so it's a double win and a

935

00:33:32,149 --> 00:33:29,760

great weekend and a great start to the

936

00:33:34,870 --> 00:33:32,159

easter holiday so thanks to the ksc team

937

00:33:37,110 --> 00:33:34,880

again in the spacex team thank you

938

00:33:39,029 --> 00:33:37,120

yeah and and for me i'm i'm really happy

939

00:33:40,389 --> 00:33:39,039

that dragon is

940

00:33:42,149 --> 00:33:40,399

safe in orbit and

941

00:33:44,230 --> 00:33:42,159

on its way to the station

942

00:33:47,110 --> 00:33:44,240

i'm really looking forward to

943

00:33:50,389 --> 00:33:47,120

birthing at the station and uh and again

944

00:33:51,269 --> 00:33:50,399

also a great easter weekend

945

00:33:54,310 --> 00:33:51,279

all right

946

00:33:56,389 --> 00:33:54,320

uh thank you hans um the next uh plan

947

00:33:59,509 --> 00:33:56,399

televised event for spacex 3 is the

948

00:34:01,269 --> 00:33:59,519

grapple on sunday morning at about 7 14

949

00:34:04,230 --> 00:34:01,279

a.m with nasa television coverage

950

00:34:05,669 --> 00:34:04,240

beginning at 5 45 a.m between now and

951  
00:34:07,509 --> 00:34:05,679  
then you can keep track of all the

952  
00:34:12,149 --> 00:34:07,519  
activities that are happening by going

953  
00:34:17,510 --> 00:34:14,710  
spacex and we'll conclude with a replay

954  
00:34:33,669 --> 00:34:17,520  
of today's falcon 9 and dragon launch

955  
00:34:33,679 --> 00:34:38,310  
one

956  
00:34:42,550 --> 00:34:41,430  
and liftoff of the falcon 9 rocket and

957  
00:34:45,669 --> 00:34:42,560  
dragon

958  
00:34:47,669 --> 00:34:45,679  
spacex 3 is underway

959  
00:34:50,310 --> 00:34:47,679  
an american commercial spacecraft

960  
00:34:52,550 --> 00:34:50,320  
launching from u.s soil makes a special

961  
00:34:56,790 --> 00:34:52,560  
delivery of new science and technology