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00:00:34,389 --> 00:00:32,950  
hello everyone this is our mission

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00:00:38,069 --> 00:00:34,399  
briefing for

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00:00:40,950 --> 00:00:38,079  
jason 3 to be launched aboard a spacex

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00:00:42,869 --> 00:00:40,960  
falcon 9 rocket on sunday

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00:00:45,430 --> 00:00:42,879  
january 17th

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00:00:47,110 --> 00:00:45,440  
we're here now to talk some about the

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00:00:49,110 --> 00:00:47,120  
jason-3 mission

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00:00:49,910 --> 00:00:49,120  
and here to do that with us

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00:00:51,270 --> 00:00:49,920  
is

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00:00:54,310 --> 00:00:51,280  
laurie miller

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00:00:56,229 --> 00:00:54,320  
the jason-3 program scientist and chief

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00:00:59,830 --> 00:00:56,239  
of the noaa laboratory for satellite

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00:01:04,789 --> 00:01:02,389

josh willis the jason-3 project

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00:01:09,429 --> 00:01:04,799

scientist from nasa's jet propulsion

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00:01:17,830 --> 00:01:11,990

mark cohen associate director and chief

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00:01:21,910 --> 00:01:19,910

and sophie coutinho

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00:01:23,510 --> 00:01:21,920

chief of the altimetry and precise

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00:01:25,270 --> 00:01:23,520

positioning office

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00:01:27,910 --> 00:01:25,280

for canes

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00:01:29,190 --> 00:01:27,920

and we'll begin first with laurie miller

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00:01:30,390 --> 00:01:29,200

lori

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00:01:32,149 --> 00:01:30,400

thank you

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00:01:33,910 --> 00:01:32,159

good afternoon i'm glad that you can

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00:01:35,990 --> 00:01:33,920

make it to our briefing

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00:01:36,950 --> 00:01:36,000

this is an incredibly exciting moment

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00:01:39,830 --> 00:01:36,960

for us

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00:01:42,870 --> 00:01:39,840

after seven long years of preparation

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00:01:45,590 --> 00:01:42,880

we're just now about to launch jason-3

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00:01:46,630 --> 00:01:45,600

the latest in a series of u.s european

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00:01:49,429 --> 00:01:46,640

missions

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00:01:52,469 --> 00:01:49,439

designed expressly for monitoring sea

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00:01:54,389 --> 00:01:52,479

level rise one of the clearest symptoms

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00:01:57,510 --> 00:01:54,399

of global warming

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00:01:59,910 --> 00:01:57,520

but also to help noaa forecast

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00:02:02,550 --> 00:01:59,920

hurricanes and el ninos and other

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00:02:05,749 --> 00:02:02,560

extreme weather events

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00:02:08,389 --> 00:02:05,759

so regarding the climate problem

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00:02:09,669 --> 00:02:08,399

it's now generally understood that we've

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00:02:12,309 --> 00:02:09,679

entered into

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00:02:15,350 --> 00:02:12,319

a new era a new norm

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00:02:18,550 --> 00:02:15,360

marked by rapid and persistent changes

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00:02:21,750 --> 00:02:18,560

to the entire whole earth system

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00:02:23,990 --> 00:02:21,760

but what may not be widely understood is

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00:02:25,190 --> 00:02:24,000

the role of the ocean in this complex

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00:02:27,190 --> 00:02:25,200

process

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00:02:29,110 --> 00:02:27,200

and so here's a really incredibly

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00:02:31,030 --> 00:02:29,120

startling fact

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00:02:34,470 --> 00:02:31,040

more than 90 percent

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00:02:36,390 --> 00:02:34,480

of all of the heat now being trapped

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00:02:38,550 --> 00:02:36,400

in the earth system

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00:02:40,949 --> 00:02:38,560  
due to the greenhouse effect is actually

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00:02:43,509 --> 00:02:40,959  
going into the ocean

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00:02:45,830 --> 00:02:43,519  
this makes the ocean perhaps the biggest

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00:02:47,990 --> 00:02:45,840  
player in the climate change story but

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00:02:49,589 --> 00:02:48,000  
it also helps explain the importance of

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00:02:51,750 --> 00:02:49,599  
the jason mission

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00:02:55,110 --> 00:02:51,760  
because jason allows us to get the big

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00:02:57,509 --> 00:02:55,120  
picture in terms of sea level change

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00:02:59,670 --> 00:02:57,519  
in the years to come

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00:03:01,509 --> 00:02:59,680  
in terms of severe weather

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00:03:03,509 --> 00:03:01,519  
you don't have to look very far to find

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00:03:04,949 --> 00:03:03,519  
examples

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00:03:06,229 --> 00:03:04,959

heavy rainfall

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00:03:08,390 --> 00:03:06,239

flooding

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00:03:09,670 --> 00:03:08,400

tornadoes out of season

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00:03:11,750 --> 00:03:09,680

droughts

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00:03:13,350 --> 00:03:11,760

all of these may seem like separate

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00:03:15,430 --> 00:03:13,360

isolated events

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00:03:18,309 --> 00:03:15,440

but many if not all of these are

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00:03:20,470 --> 00:03:18,319

actually connected linked in a fashion

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00:03:22,630 --> 00:03:20,480

to changes in the ocean occurring half a

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00:03:25,110 --> 00:03:22,640

world away

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00:03:27,030 --> 00:03:25,120

the massive turbocharged el nino that's

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00:03:29,670 --> 00:03:27,040

currently battering the u.s

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00:03:31,270 --> 00:03:29,680

is perhaps one of the best examples

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00:03:33,910 --> 00:03:31,280

i have a video

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00:03:35,589 --> 00:03:33,920

that shows the conditions in the pacific

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00:03:38,070 --> 00:03:35,599

right now

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00:03:41,589 --> 00:03:38,080

and the video shows an area of high sea

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00:03:43,110 --> 00:03:41,599

level stretching from the west coast of

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00:03:46,630 --> 00:03:43,120

south america

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00:03:48,789 --> 00:03:46,640

practically all across the pacific ocean

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00:03:50,070 --> 00:03:48,799

this is the result of a drop off in the

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00:03:53,030 --> 00:03:50,080

trade winds

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00:03:56,149 --> 00:03:53,040

allowing a massive shift of water to

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00:03:57,670 --> 00:03:56,159

flow backward along the equator

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00:03:59,830 --> 00:03:57,680

this causes

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00:04:03,110 --> 00:03:59,840

a suppression of the upwelling in the

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00:04:05,830 --> 00:04:03,120

eastern pacific that normally keeps that

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00:04:08,710 --> 00:04:05,840

part of the world cool

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00:04:11,509 --> 00:04:08,720

but in this case it sets off a chain of

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00:04:14,229 --> 00:04:11,519

events that ultimately causes higher sea

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00:04:16,710 --> 00:04:14,239

surface temperatures and changes in the

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00:04:18,550 --> 00:04:16,720

in the weather patterns at mid latitudes

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00:04:21,749 --> 00:04:18,560

and in fact the severe weather that i

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00:04:24,230 --> 00:04:21,759

spoke to you a moment ago

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00:04:26,230 --> 00:04:24,240

noaa is using this information

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00:04:29,270 --> 00:04:26,240

of sea level information in its

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00:04:31,430 --> 00:04:29,280

forecasting models it assimilates the

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00:04:33,030 --> 00:04:31,440

json information into its seasonal

101  
00:04:35,189 --> 00:04:33,040  
forecast model

102  
00:04:37,909 --> 00:04:35,199  
and is able to predict el ninos

103  
00:04:40,070 --> 00:04:37,919  
sometimes with remarkable accuracy many

104  
00:04:42,150 --> 00:04:40,080  
months in advance

105  
00:04:43,590 --> 00:04:42,160  
noaa is also using this information to

106  
00:04:46,150 --> 00:04:43,600  
help forecast

107  
00:04:47,830 --> 00:04:46,160  
other types of features like hurricane

108  
00:04:50,310 --> 00:04:47,840  
intensity

109  
00:04:52,950 --> 00:04:50,320  
and track oil spills

110  
00:04:55,189 --> 00:04:52,960  
and develop high seas wave warnings

111  
00:04:58,469 --> 00:04:55,199  
but i think you get the big picture

112  
00:05:01,350 --> 00:04:58,479  
json information is incredibly useful

113  
00:05:04,230 --> 00:05:01,360

especially to noaa because it allows us

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00:05:06,950 --> 00:05:04,240

to not only track the sea level change

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00:05:08,070 --> 00:05:06,960

that is impacting our coastal features

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00:05:10,310 --> 00:05:08,080

right now

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00:05:11,430 --> 00:05:10,320

but also to help forecast extreme

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00:05:13,749 --> 00:05:11,440

weather

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00:05:16,390 --> 00:05:13,759

so let's get on with it let's light that

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00:05:17,909 --> 00:05:16,400

rocket and launch jason-3

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00:05:20,710 --> 00:05:17,919

thank you lori

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00:05:22,390 --> 00:05:20,720

and next to josh willis the jason-3

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00:05:24,710 --> 00:05:22,400

project scientist from nasa's jet

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00:05:27,350 --> 00:05:24,720

propulsion laboratory josh

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00:05:30,469 --> 00:05:27,360

thanks george uh i'm extremely excited

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00:05:33,830 --> 00:05:30,479  
to be here uh this is uh the culmination

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00:05:37,830 --> 00:05:33,840  
of a long process for me i started uh

128  
00:05:39,830 --> 00:05:37,840  
using data from the predecessor to json3

129  
00:05:42,430 --> 00:05:39,840  
and before that jason won and before

130  
00:05:45,510 --> 00:05:42,440  
that topex poseidon launched in

131  
00:05:47,590 --> 00:05:45,520  
1992. i like to say that topex is the

132  
00:05:49,510 --> 00:05:47,600  
satellite that got me my phd so i

133  
00:05:50,230 --> 00:05:49,520  
wouldn't be sitting here if it wasn't

134  
00:05:53,029 --> 00:05:50,240  
for

135  
00:05:54,310 --> 00:05:53,039  
the really amazing capabilities of these

136  
00:05:58,390 --> 00:05:54,320  
satellites

137  
00:05:59,990 --> 00:05:58,400  
technological feat

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00:06:02,550 --> 00:06:00,000

despite the fact that you might have

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00:06:04,550 --> 00:06:02,560

heard that jason 3 is very much like its

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00:06:06,950 --> 00:06:04,560

predecessor jason ii

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00:06:08,550 --> 00:06:06,960

this is a good thing in fact because

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00:06:11,029 --> 00:06:08,560

what we're trying to do as laurie

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00:06:14,150 --> 00:06:11,039

alluded to is build a record of the

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00:06:18,230 --> 00:06:14,160

climate so we would really like our

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00:06:20,629 --> 00:06:18,240

missions to have continuity and to be

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00:06:22,710 --> 00:06:20,639

very similar from one to the next

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00:06:24,790 --> 00:06:22,720

and jason iii much like its predecessor

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00:06:26,230 --> 00:06:24,800

jason ii will be able to measure the

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00:06:29,909 --> 00:06:26,240

height of the ocean

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00:06:31,990 --> 00:06:29,919

in an area that's about six miles across

151  
00:06:34,469 --> 00:06:32,000  
from 800 miles up

152  
00:06:35,749 --> 00:06:34,479  
with an accuracy of about one inch so

153  
00:06:38,309 --> 00:06:35,759  
about the

154  
00:06:40,309 --> 00:06:38,319  
width of a quarter so uh it's really

155  
00:06:43,350 --> 00:06:40,319  
quite an amazing feat and

156  
00:06:44,469 --> 00:06:43,360  
if you average the data from

157  
00:06:46,870 --> 00:06:44,479  
one of these

158  
00:06:49,189 --> 00:06:46,880  
cycles of the jason-3 or jason ii

159  
00:06:51,589 --> 00:06:49,199  
missions you can actually get an

160  
00:06:53,189 --> 00:06:51,599  
accuracy for the levels of the ocean as

161  
00:06:55,589 --> 00:06:53,199  
a whole

162  
00:06:57,029 --> 00:06:55,599  
to within better than half a centimeter

163  
00:06:58,950 --> 00:06:57,039

so really small

164

00:07:01,990 --> 00:06:58,960

so we can really see

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00:07:03,749 --> 00:07:02,000

the rise of the global oceans and also

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00:07:05,589 --> 00:07:03,759

as laurie mentioned this is one of the

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00:07:07,830 --> 00:07:05,599

most important

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00:07:09,909 --> 00:07:07,840

yardsticks we have for human-caused

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00:07:11,830 --> 00:07:09,919

climate change with all the extra heat

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00:07:14,550 --> 00:07:11,840

that's being absorbed by the ocean the

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00:07:16,550 --> 00:07:14,560

waters are expanding and of course

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00:07:18,309 --> 00:07:16,560

they're collecting the extra

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00:07:20,150 --> 00:07:18,319

runoff from melting glaciers and ice

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00:07:23,029 --> 00:07:20,160

sheets which are also

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00:07:25,830 --> 00:07:23,039

reacting to the warming climate so these

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00:07:29,350 --> 00:07:25,840

two things together cause global sea

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00:07:32,710 --> 00:07:29,360

levels to rise and in fact that global

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00:07:34,790 --> 00:07:32,720

rise is really our most powerful tool

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00:07:37,110 --> 00:07:34,800

for measuring human-caused climate

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00:07:39,350 --> 00:07:37,120

change but these missions were not

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00:07:41,029 --> 00:07:39,360

really designed originally to measure

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00:07:43,430 --> 00:07:41,039

climate change although that's now one

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00:07:45,670 --> 00:07:43,440

of their primary functions originally

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00:07:48,469 --> 00:07:45,680

they were designed to measure currents

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00:07:50,869 --> 00:07:48,479

that incredibly high accuracy of

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00:07:53,270 --> 00:07:50,879

measurements of the height of the ocean

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00:07:55,430 --> 00:07:53,280

tells you about where the currents are

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00:07:57,110 --> 00:07:55,440

and how fast they're going

189

00:08:00,309 --> 00:07:57,120

whenever there's a large current in the

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00:08:01,670 --> 00:08:00,319

ocean it literally tilts the sea surface

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00:08:03,110 --> 00:08:01,680

and the satellites were designed to

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00:08:03,990 --> 00:08:03,120

measure that tilt

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00:08:04,950 --> 00:08:04,000

now

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00:08:07,589 --> 00:08:04,960

the

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00:08:10,390 --> 00:08:07,599

higher sea level is also often a result

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00:08:13,670 --> 00:08:10,400

of warmer water warmer water literally

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00:08:15,589 --> 00:08:13,680

stands higher than colder water and this

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00:08:17,909 --> 00:08:15,599

is a large part of the signal that we

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00:08:20,309 --> 00:08:17,919

expect jason to measure

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00:08:22,550 --> 00:08:20,319

and in fact this is incredibly important

201  
00:08:25,430 --> 00:08:22,560  
for things like el nino

202  
00:08:28,790 --> 00:08:25,440  
i have a short video of a loop

203  
00:08:31,110 --> 00:08:28,800  
showing the el nino of this year

204  
00:08:33,750 --> 00:08:31,120  
compared with the last really large el

205  
00:08:36,550 --> 00:08:33,760  
nino event in 1997.

206  
00:08:38,870 --> 00:08:36,560  
and if you watch the 1997 one play out

207  
00:08:41,750 --> 00:08:38,880  
on the left hand side the reds and

208  
00:08:44,149 --> 00:08:41,760  
whites designate high sea levels

209  
00:08:46,070 --> 00:08:44,159  
and in the eastern pacific near the

210  
00:08:47,190 --> 00:08:46,080  
coast of south america you have high sea

211  
00:08:49,509 --> 00:08:47,200  
levels

212  
00:08:50,870 --> 00:08:49,519  
that are almost a foot higher than

213  
00:08:53,190 --> 00:08:50,880

normal

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00:08:55,670 --> 00:08:53,200

this year we see a very similar

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00:08:59,030 --> 00:08:55,680

evolution of this el nino and that's

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00:08:59,910 --> 00:08:59,040

important because the 1997 event

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00:09:02,550 --> 00:08:59,920

brought

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00:09:04,710 --> 00:09:02,560

about twice the average rainfall for

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00:09:07,829 --> 00:09:04,720

california and twice the average

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00:09:09,829 --> 00:09:07,839

snowpack for california as a normal year

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00:09:11,670 --> 00:09:09,839

so uh

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00:09:13,829 --> 00:09:11,680

the jason missions are an incredibly

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00:09:16,630 --> 00:09:13,839

powerful tool not just for measuring

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00:09:18,550 --> 00:09:16,640

global climate change but also for

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00:09:22,389 --> 00:09:18,560

watching the evolution of these things

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00:09:23,190 --> 00:09:22,399

like uh the so-called godzilla el nino

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00:09:25,430 --> 00:09:23,200

and

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00:09:28,389 --> 00:09:25,440

without them we would really be turning

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00:09:29,750 --> 00:09:28,399

a blind eye toward our oceans and our

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00:09:31,990 --> 00:09:29,760

climate

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00:09:34,550 --> 00:09:32,000

thanks thank you josh

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00:09:36,870 --> 00:09:34,560

now to mark cohen the associate director

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00:09:38,790 --> 00:09:36,880

and chief of low earth orbit programs

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00:09:41,110 --> 00:09:38,800

for you met sat mark

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00:09:42,949 --> 00:09:41,120

thank you george

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00:09:45,670 --> 00:09:42,959

good afternoon

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00:09:48,790 --> 00:09:45,680

i'm very very glad to be here and

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00:09:51,829 --> 00:09:48,800

just coming to the to the launch

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00:09:54,389 --> 00:09:51,839

which of this adventure which uh

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00:09:55,269 --> 00:09:54,399

uh involved all partners across the

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00:09:57,030 --> 00:09:55,279

world

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00:09:59,670 --> 00:09:57,040

uh noah nasa

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kness you met sat and also all the

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industry

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as you know you might start as the

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objective to with its partners to

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00:10:10,389 --> 00:10:08,000

deliver integrity detail in particular

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to the marine community

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00:10:16,630 --> 00:10:13,440

and operational oceanography like

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00:10:18,389 --> 00:10:16,640

the operational meteorology is about

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00:10:21,030 --> 00:10:18,399

delivering relevant

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00:10:24,310 --> 00:10:21,040

and reliable information services to

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00:10:26,550 --> 00:10:24,320

both citizens and decision makers

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00:10:28,630 --> 00:10:26,560

so today we are already in new mexico

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00:10:30,949 --> 00:10:28,640

together with our partners we are

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00:10:33,910 --> 00:10:30,959

contributing to the development of

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00:10:36,389 --> 00:10:33,920

operational oceanography through several

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00:10:39,430 --> 00:10:36,399

missions uh json ii

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00:10:40,150 --> 00:10:39,440

also our mandatory programs like metop

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00:10:42,389 --> 00:10:40,160

and

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00:10:43,829 --> 00:10:42,399

meteosat which we also do in the

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00:10:47,030 --> 00:10:43,839

collaboration with

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00:10:48,310 --> 00:10:47,040

with with the us and also from other

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00:10:50,389 --> 00:10:48,320

missions from

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00:10:52,949 --> 00:10:50,399

from the international partners

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00:10:54,150 --> 00:10:52,959

products are extracted in our facilities

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00:10:56,710 --> 00:10:54,160

but also

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00:10:58,949 --> 00:10:56,720

a bit everywhere in in europe

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00:11:02,550 --> 00:10:58,959

and they are distributed via a system

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00:11:05,990 --> 00:11:02,560

called umadcast and also are available

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00:11:09,190 --> 00:11:06,000

through an earth observation portal

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00:11:11,430 --> 00:11:09,200

in the future json3 will be

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00:11:12,829 --> 00:11:11,440

the reference for across calibration

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00:11:16,150 --> 00:11:12,839

with other

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00:11:18,870 --> 00:11:16,160

oceans ultimate 3 mission and in

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00:11:21,350 --> 00:11:18,880

particular the json 2 but also the the

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00:11:23,190 --> 00:11:21,360

sentinel-3 which will come up

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00:11:25,269 --> 00:11:23,200

soon

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00:11:28,550 --> 00:11:25,279

in in 2016.

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00:11:29,350 --> 00:11:28,560

um um will provide this

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00:11:31,110 --> 00:11:29,360

this

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00:11:33,269 --> 00:11:31,120

product with its partners which can be

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00:11:35,269 --> 00:11:33,279

ingested in the ocean models

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00:11:37,430 --> 00:11:35,279

and we we will

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00:11:38,470 --> 00:11:37,440

in our strategy we plan to enhance this

286

00:11:41,190 --> 00:11:38,480

service

287

00:11:43,030 --> 00:11:41,200

towards the the years 17 with further

288

00:11:45,350 --> 00:11:43,040

sentinel-3

289

00:11:48,150 --> 00:11:45,360  
satellites and later on with the

290

00:11:49,910 --> 00:11:48,160  
follow-on of json-3 which is the json cs

291

00:11:52,790 --> 00:11:49,920  
and I6

292

00:11:55,590 --> 00:11:52,800  
so um the the um

293

00:11:58,629 --> 00:11:55,600  
you met that is very excited in

294

00:12:00,389 --> 00:11:58,639  
having this satellite launched

295

00:12:03,350 --> 00:12:00,399  
because it's part of a long-term

296

00:12:05,430 --> 00:12:03,360  
strategy of having these precise ocean

297

00:12:07,910 --> 00:12:05,440  
ultimate tree missions over a long

298

00:12:10,870 --> 00:12:07,920  
period of time and json3 is a very

299

00:12:13,350 --> 00:12:10,880  
important element to complement the

300

00:12:16,230 --> 00:12:13,360  
json-2 and to prepare for the future

301

00:12:18,310 --> 00:12:16,240

thank you george thank you mark

302

00:12:20,310 --> 00:12:18,320

now for comments from sophie kooten faye

303

00:12:23,350 --> 00:12:20,320

the chief of the altimetry and precise

304

00:12:24,790 --> 00:12:23,360

positioning office for canes sophie

305

00:12:25,670 --> 00:12:24,800

thank you george

306

00:12:28,389 --> 00:12:25,680

so

307

00:12:30,870 --> 00:12:28,399

in this adventure agnes

308

00:12:33,750 --> 00:12:30,880

has taken the role of

309

00:12:36,310 --> 00:12:33,760

coordinating the the system with a

310

00:12:39,030 --> 00:12:36,320

partner and developing the satellite

311

00:12:40,790 --> 00:12:39,040

with telesalinia space the french

312

00:12:44,389 --> 00:12:40,800

industry

313

00:12:45,509 --> 00:12:44,399

which was our prime contractor

314

00:12:47,190 --> 00:12:45,519

so

315

00:12:49,910 --> 00:12:47,200

this is a long

316

00:12:53,190 --> 00:12:49,920

product line because we also developed

317

00:12:54,069 --> 00:12:53,200

jason one and json2

318

00:12:56,629 --> 00:12:54,079

now

319

00:12:58,389 --> 00:12:56,639

we are going to to

320

00:13:00,710 --> 00:12:58,399

they handle the operation of the

321

00:13:02,310 --> 00:13:00,720

satellites when it will be separated

322

00:13:07,590 --> 00:13:02,320

from the launcher

323

00:13:09,750 --> 00:13:07,600

so a few days after this separation

324

00:13:12,710 --> 00:13:09,760

the satellite will be ready for

325

00:13:14,710 --> 00:13:12,720

operation but it has to

326  
00:13:17,190 --> 00:13:14,720  
reach the orbit

327  
00:13:19,269 --> 00:13:17,200  
of json 2 it will take

328  
00:13:20,389 --> 00:13:19,279  
17 days

329  
00:13:22,069 --> 00:13:20,399  
then we will

330  
00:13:24,949 --> 00:13:22,079  
fly

331  
00:13:27,990 --> 00:13:24,959  
between one minute and 10 minutes behind

332  
00:13:29,750 --> 00:13:28,000  
the json-2 satellite depending on the

333  
00:13:32,629 --> 00:13:29,760  
dispersion at

334  
00:13:35,670 --> 00:13:32,639  
the injection of the satellite

335  
00:13:39,110 --> 00:13:35,680  
and then we will uh intercalibrate the

336  
00:13:41,750 --> 00:13:39,120  
data between json2 and json3

337  
00:13:44,069 --> 00:13:41,760  
as josh said it's very important because

338  
00:13:46,710 --> 00:13:44,079

it's an high accuracy mission it's very

339

00:13:49,910 --> 00:13:46,720

important to intercalibrate

340

00:13:52,389 --> 00:13:49,920

all the instrument and and the product

341

00:13:55,509 --> 00:13:52,399

and then six months later we will move

342

00:13:58,389 --> 00:13:55,519

the json-2 satellite in on an interleave

343

00:13:59,910 --> 00:13:58,399

orbit so that we have a better coverage

344

00:14:02,389 --> 00:13:59,920

of the ocean

345

00:14:03,430 --> 00:14:02,399

i think that's it for me thank you

346

00:14:05,670 --> 00:14:03,440

sophie

347

00:14:08,150 --> 00:14:05,680

we'll take questions now and we'll begin

348

00:14:10,550 --> 00:14:08,160

here with the questions here

349

00:14:12,629 --> 00:14:10,560

in the in the audience and then we'll

350

00:14:15,030 --> 00:14:12,639

take questions on the phone and then we

351

00:14:17,030 --> 00:14:15,040

also have a way to take questions for

352

00:14:18,790 --> 00:14:17,040

our social media friends

353

00:14:21,910 --> 00:14:18,800

if they go to

354

00:14:24,310 --> 00:14:21,920

ask nasa they'll be able to send us

355

00:14:25,509 --> 00:14:24,320

questions as well which our panelists

356

00:14:27,350 --> 00:14:25,519

will answer

357

00:14:28,790 --> 00:14:27,360

so we'll start please wait for the

358

00:14:30,870 --> 00:14:28,800

microphone to come to you and give your

359

00:14:33,110 --> 00:14:30,880

name and affiliation if you would and

360

00:14:35,590 --> 00:14:33,120

we'll start right here in the front

361

00:14:37,590 --> 00:14:35,600

hi stephen clark from space flight now a

362

00:14:39,430 --> 00:14:37,600

couple of questions one maybe for lori

363

00:14:41,509 --> 00:14:39,440

or mark

364

00:14:44,870 --> 00:14:41,519

can you give some examples of how

365

00:14:46,310 --> 00:14:44,880

uh ocean ocean ocean data from the json

366

00:14:49,110 --> 00:14:46,320

series of satellites is used

367

00:14:51,590 --> 00:14:49,120

operationally what sort of applications

368

00:14:53,750 --> 00:14:51,600

are there you know forecasting and are

369

00:14:55,910 --> 00:14:53,760

there also commercial applications for

370

00:14:57,189 --> 00:14:55,920

maritime shipping and things like that

371

00:14:58,870 --> 00:14:57,199

and um

372

00:15:00,710 --> 00:14:58,880

also just a

373

00:15:03,590 --> 00:15:00,720

question on when you plan to launch the

374

00:15:05,350 --> 00:15:03,600

first js jason cs satellite as a

375

00:15:06,710 --> 00:15:05,360

follow-up thanks

376

00:15:07,590 --> 00:15:06,720

did you take the

377

00:15:09,670 --> 00:15:07,600

question

378

00:15:11,990 --> 00:15:09,680

yeah i'll i'll talk briefly and then

379

00:15:14,470 --> 00:15:12,000

pass it to mark

380

00:15:17,030 --> 00:15:14,480

i think one of the

381

00:15:19,670 --> 00:15:17,040

simplest and clearest examples of the

382

00:15:21,590 --> 00:15:19,680

application of the json data

383

00:15:22,790 --> 00:15:21,600

to marine

384

00:15:25,829 --> 00:15:22,800

operations

385

00:15:27,430 --> 00:15:25,839

is in terms of being able to detect

386

00:15:28,389 --> 00:15:27,440

significant wave heights high wave

387

00:15:31,269 --> 00:15:28,399

heights

388

00:15:32,949 --> 00:15:31,279

this is a sort of a bonus measurement

389

00:15:35,350 --> 00:15:32,959

it's not the sea level measurement but

390

00:15:37,189 --> 00:15:35,360

it's another measurement that the radar

391

00:15:40,710 --> 00:15:37,199

system is able to make

392

00:15:43,189 --> 00:15:40,720

and noaa uses this information by

393

00:15:46,069 --> 00:15:43,199

supplementing what the models produce in

394

00:15:48,629 --> 00:15:46,079

terms of the wave fields the forecasters

395

00:15:51,030 --> 00:15:48,639

actually overlay the satellite data on

396

00:15:53,110 --> 00:15:51,040

top of the model fields and are able to

397

00:15:54,870 --> 00:15:53,120

verify in real time

398

00:15:56,150 --> 00:15:54,880

what the models are showing

399

00:15:58,470 --> 00:15:56,160

and so

400

00:16:01,030 --> 00:15:58,480

this is a critically important part of

401  
00:16:02,470 --> 00:16:01,040  
the national weather services

402  
00:16:05,829 --> 00:16:02,480  
service to

403  
00:16:07,829 --> 00:16:05,839  
mariners and also to coastal areas that

404  
00:16:08,949 --> 00:16:07,839  
need to know what what conditions are

405  
00:16:12,470 --> 00:16:08,959  
about to

406  
00:16:15,030 --> 00:16:12,480  
become hazardous in terms of of

407  
00:16:18,150 --> 00:16:15,040  
marine operations

408  
00:16:20,710 --> 00:16:18,160  
the applications to

409  
00:16:22,629 --> 00:16:20,720  
that josh was referring to in terms of

410  
00:16:25,749 --> 00:16:22,639  
monitoring currents

411  
00:16:27,030 --> 00:16:25,759  
is another area which is

412  
00:16:29,189 --> 00:16:27,040  
widely used

413  
00:16:31,350 --> 00:16:29,199

perhaps not as widely

414

00:16:33,430 --> 00:16:31,360

recognized

415

00:16:36,230 --> 00:16:33,440

we are able to essentially determine the

416

00:16:38,389 --> 00:16:36,240

currents much like meteorologists are

417

00:16:40,550 --> 00:16:38,399

able to determine the wind patterns in

418

00:16:42,470 --> 00:16:40,560

the atmosphere the altimeter data

419

00:16:43,749 --> 00:16:42,480

provides us with the same sort of

420

00:16:46,150 --> 00:16:43,759

information

421

00:16:49,350 --> 00:16:46,160

so we put the data into the numerical

422

00:16:52,470 --> 00:16:49,360

models and outcomes essentially a

423

00:16:54,710 --> 00:16:52,480

gridded field of currents that can be

424

00:16:56,389 --> 00:16:54,720

used then for

425

00:16:58,870 --> 00:16:56,399

understanding

426  
00:17:00,470 --> 00:16:58,880

for example

427  
00:17:07,590 --> 00:17:00,480

the

428  
00:17:10,390 --> 00:17:07,600  
going to exceed a certain threshold

429  
00:17:11,829 --> 00:17:10,400  
value because then it poses a hazard to

430  
00:17:13,829 --> 00:17:11,839  
their operation

431  
00:17:16,870 --> 00:17:13,839  
and that information can come out of the

432  
00:17:19,110 --> 00:17:16,880  
models being fed by the altimeter data

433  
00:17:21,669 --> 00:17:19,120  
so we can give them essentially

434  
00:17:23,350 --> 00:17:21,679  
hour-by-hour updates that tell them when

435  
00:17:26,549 --> 00:17:23,360  
it's dangerous to operate and when it

436  
00:17:28,870 --> 00:17:26,559  
isn't so those are two examples of what

437  
00:17:30,870 --> 00:17:28,880  
i would call near real-time or real-time

438  
00:17:33,430 --> 00:17:30,880

operations and then there are a lot of

439

00:17:35,669 --> 00:17:33,440

others but i i think

440

00:17:37,669 --> 00:17:35,679

mark should take it from there

441

00:17:41,190 --> 00:17:37,679

yes i maybe i can

442

00:17:43,669 --> 00:17:41,200

i can compliment on the json cs

443

00:17:46,630 --> 00:17:43,679

question so we are going to launch now

444

00:17:49,710 --> 00:17:46,640

the json3 which has a design lifetime of

445

00:17:51,270 --> 00:17:49,720

five years which leads us to uh

446

00:17:54,470 --> 00:17:51,280

2021.

447

00:17:56,150 --> 00:17:54,480

the current plan is to launch in 2020

448

00:17:58,789 --> 00:17:56,160

the sentinel 6

449

00:18:01,350 --> 00:17:58,799

json cs which is a copernicus

450

00:18:02,950 --> 00:18:01,360

mission at that point in time and to

451  
00:18:05,430 --> 00:18:02,960  
have an overlap of

452  
00:18:07,430 --> 00:18:05,440  
nine months to one year with the json-3

453  
00:18:10,710 --> 00:18:07,440  
in order to do intel calibration because

454  
00:18:13,190 --> 00:18:10,720  
it's a new new satellite so we need more

455  
00:18:15,750 --> 00:18:13,200  
more time to do inter calibration and

456  
00:18:18,950 --> 00:18:15,760  
then to take it from there and again

457  
00:18:21,510 --> 00:18:18,960  
the operations of json3 and of

458  
00:18:23,990 --> 00:18:21,520  
sentinel-6 are under in europe are under

459  
00:18:26,549 --> 00:18:24,000  
the copernicus program which is financed

460  
00:18:28,789 --> 00:18:26,559  
and funded by the european commission

461  
00:18:33,190 --> 00:18:28,799  
thank you

462  
00:18:39,430 --> 00:18:35,830  
hiya phillips loss nasa spaceflight.com

463  
00:18:41,590 --> 00:18:39,440

um i think this is for sophie um

464

00:18:42,470 --> 00:18:41,600

post uh separation from the the launch

465

00:18:44,950 --> 00:18:42,480

vehicle

466

00:18:47,110 --> 00:18:44,960

uh you talked about it two days uh

467

00:18:49,510 --> 00:18:47,120

you'll be ready for operations after

468

00:18:53,990 --> 00:18:49,520

separation and you have 17 days to get

469

00:18:56,549 --> 00:18:55,029

in what

470

00:18:58,230 --> 00:18:56,559

sequence are you going to be doing the

471

00:19:00,070 --> 00:18:58,240

the deployments

472

00:19:01,350 --> 00:19:00,080

um is that going to be in that initial

473

00:19:03,190 --> 00:19:01,360

two-day period where you're going to be

474

00:19:04,070 --> 00:19:03,200

deploying the solar arrays

475

00:19:06,310 --> 00:19:04,080

and then

476  
00:19:08,390 --> 00:19:06,320  
as you move towards the target orbit are

477  
00:19:11,430 --> 00:19:08,400  
you going to be doing any

478  
00:19:13,350 --> 00:19:11,440  
taking any test uh data doing any uh

479  
00:19:15,190 --> 00:19:13,360  
altimetry just to test that the

480  
00:19:19,270 --> 00:19:15,200  
instruments are working

481  
00:19:23,190 --> 00:19:19,280  
yes in fact we we switch on the the

482  
00:19:25,590 --> 00:19:23,200  
full payload during the three first days

483  
00:19:27,110 --> 00:19:25,600  
and then we start to

484  
00:19:29,350 --> 00:19:27,120  
to measure

485  
00:19:30,390 --> 00:19:29,360  
the the distance between the satellites

486  
00:19:31,350 --> 00:19:30,400  
and the

487  
00:19:34,150 --> 00:19:31,360  
water

488  
00:19:37,990 --> 00:19:34,160

but it's not on a regular

489

00:19:40,789 --> 00:19:38,000

track so it's not useful for scientists

490

00:19:46,470 --> 00:19:40,799

but it's useful for us to calibrate the

491

00:19:52,630 --> 00:19:48,630

hi good afternoon matt kamlet cbs los

492

00:19:54,230 --> 00:19:52,640

angeles um for mr miller one of the more

493

00:19:55,350 --> 00:19:54,240

visible phenomenons we've been seeing

494

00:19:57,350 --> 00:19:55,360

especially along the coastline in

495

00:19:59,750 --> 00:19:57,360

southern california has been the

496

00:20:03,190 --> 00:19:59,760

unprecedented number of sea lion pups

497

00:20:05,669 --> 00:20:03,200

washing on shore um the implication and

498

00:20:06,470 --> 00:20:05,679

all the fingers pointed mostly at uh

499

00:20:08,310 --> 00:20:06,480

the

500

00:20:09,590 --> 00:20:08,320

change in temperature of

501  
00:20:11,270 --> 00:20:09,600  
the ocean

502  
00:20:12,710 --> 00:20:11,280  
do you expect this

503  
00:20:17,990 --> 00:20:12,720  
mission to shed any light on this

504  
00:20:23,510 --> 00:20:20,549  
well i think it will shed light on how

505  
00:20:24,549 --> 00:20:23,520  
this particular el nino event will decay

506  
00:20:27,270 --> 00:20:24,559  
we're near

507  
00:20:28,230 --> 00:20:27,280  
or probably close to the maximum and

508  
00:20:31,590 --> 00:20:28,240  
we're

509  
00:20:33,990 --> 00:20:31,600  
anticipating based on noaa's forecasts

510  
00:20:35,270 --> 00:20:34,000  
that it will decay slowly over the

511  
00:20:36,310 --> 00:20:35,280  
coming months

512  
00:20:37,990 --> 00:20:36,320  
so

513  
00:20:40,789 --> 00:20:38,000

in that sense i think that there's going

514

00:20:43,350 --> 00:20:40,799

to be a slow abatement or decline

515

00:20:45,990 --> 00:20:43,360

in the kinds of of

516

00:20:48,230 --> 00:20:46,000

phenomenon that you're talking about but

517

00:20:50,870 --> 00:20:48,240

but there's another problem that's a

518

00:20:52,390 --> 00:20:50,880

more general problem and that is relates

519

00:20:53,590 --> 00:20:52,400

to the fact that we're heating up the

520

00:20:56,070 --> 00:20:53,600

oceans

521

00:20:58,470 --> 00:20:56,080

and this is actually causing

522

00:20:59,590 --> 00:20:58,480

real dislocations in a lot of the

523

00:21:01,510 --> 00:20:59,600

fisheries

524

00:21:03,510 --> 00:21:01,520

so for example

525

00:21:05,990 --> 00:21:03,520

fish schools that used to be

526  
00:21:07,430 --> 00:21:06,000  
in one location are now moving northward

527  
00:21:10,230 --> 00:21:07,440  
because they can't

528  
00:21:12,950 --> 00:21:10,240  
stand the higher temperature water

529  
00:21:15,110 --> 00:21:12,960  
and and this is causing a ripple effect

530  
00:21:17,110 --> 00:21:15,120  
in ecosystems so

531  
00:21:19,750 --> 00:21:17,120  
the sea lion pups that you're talking

532  
00:21:20,710 --> 00:21:19,760  
about are partly suffering because of

533  
00:21:23,110 --> 00:21:20,720  
this

534  
00:21:26,149 --> 00:21:23,120  
but they're just one manifestation in

535  
00:21:28,870 --> 00:21:26,159  
fact there's just a gigantic amount of

536  
00:21:31,590 --> 00:21:28,880  
dislocation going on in terms of the

537  
00:21:33,510 --> 00:21:31,600  
world fisheries and that's going to be a

538  
00:21:35,190 --> 00:21:33,520

consequence that

539

00:21:37,110 --> 00:21:35,200

it's happening right now but it's going

540

00:21:39,590 --> 00:21:37,120

to get more severe in considering how

541

00:21:41,350 --> 00:21:39,600

much of the human population depends on

542

00:21:43,510 --> 00:21:41,360

protein from the ocean

543

00:21:45,029 --> 00:21:43,520

i can see this becoming a problem in the

544

00:21:47,590 --> 00:21:45,039

very near future

545

00:21:49,669 --> 00:21:47,600

if i if i could just add to that

546

00:21:51,750 --> 00:21:49,679

very quickly you really have three

547

00:21:53,830 --> 00:21:51,760

things going on in the oceans right now

548

00:21:55,510 --> 00:21:53,840

off the coast of california

549

00:21:57,510 --> 00:21:55,520

you have global warming which has been

550

00:21:59,909 --> 00:21:57,520

going on for about 18 years since the

551

00:22:02,230 --> 00:21:59,919

last really large el nino

552

00:22:05,350 --> 00:22:02,240

you have the el nino which is unfolding

553

00:22:07,510 --> 00:22:05,360

right now and the third potential one is

554

00:22:09,430 --> 00:22:07,520

a switch in what's called the pacific

555

00:22:10,950 --> 00:22:09,440

decadal oscillation

556

00:22:13,669 --> 00:22:10,960

you can kind of think of that as el

557

00:22:16,310 --> 00:22:13,679

nino's bigger slower moving brother

558

00:22:19,270 --> 00:22:16,320

it takes about 20 years or so to switch

559

00:22:22,310 --> 00:22:19,280

from a cold phase to a warm phase and

560

00:22:25,190 --> 00:22:22,320

for about the last 18 years or so we've

561

00:22:27,590 --> 00:22:25,200

been in a phase that has brought

562

00:22:30,870 --> 00:22:27,600

cooler than average waters

563

00:22:33,190 --> 00:22:30,880

to the eastern pacific off of our coast

564

00:22:34,950 --> 00:22:33,200

here in california and there's some

565

00:22:36,070 --> 00:22:34,960

evidence that this could also be

566

00:22:38,549 --> 00:22:36,080

switching

567

00:22:42,070 --> 00:22:38,559

in conjunction with this large el nino

568

00:22:43,750 --> 00:22:42,080

so um all signs point to uh really warm

569

00:22:44,950 --> 00:22:43,760

water off the coast of california right

570

00:22:46,470 --> 00:22:44,960

now and it could be that we're getting

571

00:22:49,990 --> 00:22:46,480

hit with all three of these things at

572

00:22:56,470 --> 00:22:51,830

any further questions here in the

573

00:23:00,230 --> 00:22:58,789

i was wondering if stephen clark from

574

00:23:01,909 --> 00:23:00,240

space flight now again i was wondering

575

00:23:02,870 --> 00:23:01,919

if one of you

576

00:23:04,950 --> 00:23:02,880

can

577

00:23:07,190 --> 00:23:04,960

clarify what happens with the jason-2

578

00:23:10,070 --> 00:23:07,200

satellite after jason jason three's

579

00:23:11,110 --> 00:23:10,080

launch uh does jason two keep uh

580

00:23:13,350 --> 00:23:11,120

operating

581

00:23:15,669 --> 00:23:13,360

in tandem uh

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00:23:21,029 --> 00:23:15,679

what's the plan for jason two basically

583

00:23:28,549 --> 00:23:25,590

um so today we the plan is to move as i

584

00:23:30,310 --> 00:23:28,559

said to move it to the interlift orbit

585

00:23:31,430 --> 00:23:30,320

after six months

586

00:23:32,630 --> 00:23:31,440

then

587

00:23:35,909 --> 00:23:32,640

we have

588

00:23:38,390 --> 00:23:35,919

an approved program for two more years

589

00:23:39,830 --> 00:23:38,400

of operations

590

00:23:42,470 --> 00:23:39,840

and then

591

00:23:44,310 --> 00:23:42,480

probably as we did for jason one we will

592

00:23:46,390 --> 00:23:44,320

decide to

593

00:23:49,669 --> 00:23:46,400

decrease the orbit

594

00:23:52,310 --> 00:23:49,679

for the end of life because we won't let

595

00:23:54,470 --> 00:23:52,320

him die on the orbit which is the

596

00:23:58,070 --> 00:23:54,480

working orbit for the

597

00:23:59,990 --> 00:23:58,080

for the following satellites

598

00:24:01,190 --> 00:24:00,000

if i could just add something to that as

599

00:24:04,070 --> 00:24:01,200

well

600

00:24:06,789 --> 00:24:04,080

in the case of jason one there was also

601  
00:24:10,230 --> 00:24:06,799  
a very strong scientific pull to

602  
00:24:13,190 --> 00:24:10,240  
continue to use the jason-1 mission

603  
00:24:15,430 --> 00:24:13,200  
after moving it out of the primary orbit

604  
00:24:17,110 --> 00:24:15,440  
it served as the interleaved satellite

605  
00:24:19,269 --> 00:24:17,120  
for a

606  
00:24:22,470 --> 00:24:19,279  
few years as well

607  
00:24:24,230 --> 00:24:22,480  
as jason ii will will

608  
00:24:26,390 --> 00:24:24,240  
in the next few years

609  
00:24:29,269 --> 00:24:26,400  
and after that it was moved to an orbit

610  
00:24:32,470 --> 00:24:29,279  
which had a very uh long repeat period

611  
00:24:34,310 --> 00:24:32,480  
and very closely spaced ground tracks

612  
00:24:35,590 --> 00:24:34,320  
and this is very useful for helping

613  
00:24:37,830 --> 00:24:35,600

determine

614

00:24:41,269 --> 00:24:37,840

the marine gravity field

615

00:24:43,909 --> 00:24:41,279

and that helps us in turn figure out the

616

00:24:46,070 --> 00:24:43,919

shape of the sea floor so we've used

617

00:24:49,510 --> 00:24:46,080

data from the jason-1 end-of-life

618

00:24:51,190 --> 00:24:49,520

mission to help map out things like

619

00:24:52,950 --> 00:24:51,200

underwater mountains

620

00:24:56,390 --> 00:24:52,960

trenches and the general shape of the

621

00:24:58,390 --> 00:24:56,400

sea floor and we hope in its very last

622

00:25:00,789 --> 00:24:58,400

days that jason ii will be able to

623

00:25:03,269 --> 00:25:00,799

provide us with a similar

624

00:25:07,029 --> 00:25:03,279

improvement in the the marine gravity

625

00:25:11,510 --> 00:25:09,510

any further questions here

626  
00:25:13,750 --> 00:25:11,520  
at vanderberg

627  
00:25:15,510 --> 00:25:13,760  
you have a follow-up go right ahead

628  
00:25:17,750 --> 00:25:15,520  
uh for mark

629  
00:25:19,669 --> 00:25:17,760  
um can you comment briefly just on how

630  
00:25:21,830 --> 00:25:19,679  
this mission has become such an

631  
00:25:24,149 --> 00:25:21,840  
international effort there's so many

632  
00:25:25,510 --> 00:25:24,159  
uh international agencies involved on

633  
00:25:26,710 --> 00:25:25,520  
this can you just comment on that

634  
00:25:27,510 --> 00:25:26,720  
quickly

635  
00:25:30,390 --> 00:25:27,520  
yeah

636  
00:25:32,950 --> 00:25:30,400  
i i think it's a

637  
00:25:34,230 --> 00:25:32,960  
it's a transition from development

638  
00:25:39,190 --> 00:25:34,240

programs

639

00:25:41,430 --> 00:25:39,200

at the beginning

640

00:25:43,990 --> 00:25:41,440

the development agencies started to do

641

00:25:45,269 --> 00:25:44,000

the work of developing

642

00:25:48,070 --> 00:25:45,279

systems

643

00:25:50,070 --> 00:25:48,080

then a demonstration was made that it

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00:25:51,269 --> 00:25:50,080

could have an operational

645

00:25:52,149 --> 00:25:51,279

interest

646

00:25:54,149 --> 00:25:52,159

then

647

00:25:55,750 --> 00:25:54,159

for instance you might start

648

00:25:57,269 --> 00:25:55,760

stepped into

649

00:25:59,830 --> 00:25:57,279

jason ii

650

00:26:03,110 --> 00:25:59,840

and then increased again its role in

651  
00:26:04,870 --> 00:26:03,120  
json3 and this happened also

652  
00:26:07,430 --> 00:26:04,880  
on the other side of the atlantic and

653  
00:26:09,990 --> 00:26:07,440  
and this came in this way and then the

654  
00:26:12,870 --> 00:26:10,000  
sustainability of the of the program so

655  
00:26:14,070 --> 00:26:12,880  
the the long-term aspect meant in europe

656  
00:26:17,750 --> 00:26:14,080  
that

657  
00:26:21,029 --> 00:26:17,760  
this was necessary to include it in a in

658  
00:26:23,830 --> 00:26:21,039  
a wider frame which was the copernicus

659  
00:26:27,669 --> 00:26:23,840  
program and enhanced the

660  
00:26:31,029 --> 00:26:28,470  
actually

661  
00:26:33,269 --> 00:26:31,039  
if i could add one thing to that as well

662  
00:26:35,190 --> 00:26:33,279  
these missions of course were always

663  
00:26:37,190 --> 00:26:35,200

international collaborations all the way

664

00:26:40,230 --> 00:26:37,200

back to topex poseidon which was a

665

00:26:42,549 --> 00:26:40,240

collaboration between nasa and canes so

666

00:26:44,789 --> 00:26:42,559

there's always been a strong spirit of

667

00:26:47,750 --> 00:26:44,799

international collaboration and in fact

668

00:26:50,710 --> 00:26:47,760

we have a science team that's uh

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00:26:53,190 --> 00:26:50,720

two to four hundred people strong

670

00:26:55,750 --> 00:26:53,200

and uh they come from all over the world

671

00:26:57,830 --> 00:26:55,760

so um it's uh always had very strong

672

00:27:01,590 --> 00:26:57,840

international roots i would say

673

00:27:05,990 --> 00:27:04,149

if i could add just one thing further uh

674

00:27:07,990 --> 00:27:06,000

you would think that having a program

675

00:27:10,710 --> 00:27:08,000

that had four different agencies in it

676

00:27:13,110 --> 00:27:10,720

would be a prescription for disaster in

677

00:27:15,590 --> 00:27:13,120

fact it's been incredibly successful

678

00:27:18,789 --> 00:27:15,600

because we've worked together so well

679

00:27:21,110 --> 00:27:18,799

and interestingly for jason cs

680

00:27:22,789 --> 00:27:21,120

isa the european space agency is joining

681

00:27:24,470 --> 00:27:22,799

so we're actually going to have five

682

00:27:27,110 --> 00:27:24,480

agencies involved

683

00:27:29,909 --> 00:27:27,120

and and i look forward to that because i

684

00:27:33,669 --> 00:27:29,919

think that that's just going to be again

685

00:27:37,590 --> 00:27:35,350

we're going to take some social media

686

00:27:40,070 --> 00:27:37,600

questions now and social media if you do

687

00:27:42,710 --> 00:27:40,080

have questions you can use

688

00:27:44,630 --> 00:27:42,720

ask nasa to send your question

689

00:27:46,710 --> 00:27:44,640

and right now we're going to go to steve

690

00:27:50,149 --> 00:27:46,720

cole who's been monitoring the social

691

00:27:52,310 --> 00:27:50,159

media sites twitter and tell us i think

692

00:27:54,149 --> 00:27:52,320

he has two or three okay we have a few

693

00:27:56,630 --> 00:27:54,159

questions our first question is what

694

00:27:57,269 --> 00:27:56,640

improvements have been made from jason

695

00:28:04,070 --> 00:27:57,279

ii

696

00:28:08,950 --> 00:28:07,110

well i can say a few things about that

697

00:28:11,750 --> 00:28:08,960

well i think one of the things to

698

00:28:12,789 --> 00:28:11,760

remember about jason 3 is that

699

00:28:15,110 --> 00:28:12,799

it's

700

00:28:18,230 --> 00:28:15,120

almost identical to jason ii

701  
00:28:19,510 --> 00:28:18,240  
the improvements are really very small

702  
00:28:21,190 --> 00:28:19,520  
and

703  
00:28:22,870 --> 00:28:21,200  
there are a couple of things in the

704  
00:28:24,389 --> 00:28:22,880  
operation like

705  
00:28:27,590 --> 00:28:24,399  
we're going to be doing a calibration

706  
00:28:30,630 --> 00:28:27,600  
maneuver which will allow us to

707  
00:28:32,630 --> 00:28:30,640  
get a much better long-term record of

708  
00:28:34,630 --> 00:28:32,640  
global sea level rise with with a

709  
00:28:36,549 --> 00:28:34,640  
slightly better accuracy

710  
00:28:39,430 --> 00:28:36,559  
but as you know

711  
00:28:42,230 --> 00:28:39,440  
climate scientists and

712  
00:28:43,830 --> 00:28:42,240  
monitors of the climate we really like

713  
00:28:45,029 --> 00:28:43,840

our missions to be as similar as

714

00:28:47,350 --> 00:28:45,039

possible

715

00:28:49,110 --> 00:28:47,360

because we want them to build a

716

00:28:51,669 --> 00:28:49,120

long-term

717

00:28:53,669 --> 00:28:51,679

concrete record that's unbroken and

718

00:28:55,350 --> 00:28:53,679

provide a you know we want our missions

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00:28:58,870 --> 00:28:55,360

to tell us about changes in the ocean

720

00:29:00,630 --> 00:28:58,880

and not changes in technology so in fact

721

00:29:02,149 --> 00:29:00,640

although there are some very small

722

00:29:05,750 --> 00:29:02,159

improvements in modifications the

723

00:29:07,909 --> 00:29:05,760

satellites are almost identical

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00:29:11,190 --> 00:29:07,919

okay our next question uh could json-3

725

00:29:13,830 --> 00:29:11,200

data be used to predict or detect rogue

726

00:29:17,909 --> 00:29:13,840

waves and help provide a quicker warning

727

00:29:21,350 --> 00:29:20,310

that's a sampling problem which these

728

00:29:24,389 --> 00:29:21,360

satellites

729

00:29:26,630 --> 00:29:24,399

are not terribly well adapted to

730

00:29:29,510 --> 00:29:26,640

because they don't sample frequently

731

00:29:32,070 --> 00:29:29,520

enough over the entire ocean to detect

732

00:29:33,669 --> 00:29:32,080

what could be a very highly specific

733

00:29:35,990 --> 00:29:33,679

wave however

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00:29:39,830 --> 00:29:36,000

i i should actually mention that we've

735

00:29:41,669 --> 00:29:39,840

been able to detect tsunamis

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00:29:44,389 --> 00:29:41,679

almost coincidentally

737

00:29:46,389 --> 00:29:44,399

but we've actually the the big indian

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00:29:49,269 --> 00:29:46,399

tsunami was detected

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00:29:51,110 --> 00:29:49,279

by our group in noaa and

740

00:29:53,990 --> 00:29:51,120

we were able to provide that information

741

00:29:56,389 --> 00:29:54,000

to modelers so there are situations

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00:29:58,789 --> 00:29:56,399

where we can detect individual waves but

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00:30:01,510 --> 00:29:58,799

i i wouldn't call it a primary focus of

744

00:30:05,909 --> 00:30:04,070

will jason3 be part of the a train of

745

00:30:10,710 --> 00:30:05,919

earth observing satellites or does it

746

00:30:16,710 --> 00:30:14,070

well jason 3 has its own special orbit

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00:30:19,590 --> 00:30:16,720

that was very carefully chosen in fact

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00:30:21,029 --> 00:30:19,600

to help us better understand and predict

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00:30:23,350 --> 00:30:21,039

the tides

750

00:30:25,909 --> 00:30:23,360

because one of the major reasons that

751

00:30:28,950 --> 00:30:25,919

the sea levels go up and down

752

00:30:29,990 --> 00:30:28,960

is the pull of the gravity from the sun

753

00:30:31,909 --> 00:30:30,000

and the moon

754

00:30:33,909 --> 00:30:31,919

this is very regular and very well

755

00:30:36,789 --> 00:30:33,919

predicted but it wasn't well measured

756

00:30:39,990 --> 00:30:36,799

everywhere everywhere before satellites

757

00:30:42,310 --> 00:30:40,000

like topex poseidon were able to help us

758

00:30:44,389 --> 00:30:42,320

better understand the tides so in fact

759

00:30:47,430 --> 00:30:44,399

our orbit comes from a

760

00:30:49,110 --> 00:30:47,440

historical choice that was started with

761

00:30:51,350 --> 00:30:49,120

topex poseidon

762

00:30:53,350 --> 00:30:51,360

and much like our desire to keep our

763

00:30:54,230 --> 00:30:53,360

satellites very similar from one to the

764

00:30:56,230 --> 00:30:54,240

next

765

00:30:58,070 --> 00:30:56,240

we also wanted our orbits to be very

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00:30:59,669 --> 00:30:58,080

similar from one to the next to help

767

00:31:01,509 --> 00:30:59,679

ensure that we're really measuring

768

00:31:04,149 --> 00:31:01,519

changes in the climate over the long

769

00:31:07,269 --> 00:31:04,159

term and not changes in our satellites

770

00:31:11,590 --> 00:31:08,389

let me

771

00:31:13,990 --> 00:31:11,600

just add something to what josh said

772

00:31:16,789 --> 00:31:14,000

in terms of being able to to maintain

773

00:31:19,350 --> 00:31:16,799

continuity of the record we're actually

774

00:31:22,310 --> 00:31:19,360

flying the two satellites together

775

00:31:23,590 --> 00:31:22,320

the jason ii and jason iii satellites

776

00:31:26,470 --> 00:31:23,600

for about

777

00:31:30,070 --> 00:31:26,480

one minute apart for six months

778

00:31:32,549 --> 00:31:30,080

and and this is exactly to measure the

779

00:31:35,590 --> 00:31:32,559

exact same location in the ocean

780

00:31:38,630 --> 00:31:35,600

with with practically no time difference

781

00:31:40,549 --> 00:31:38,640

so if we chose a different orbit

782

00:31:41,990 --> 00:31:40,559

for each satellite we wouldn't be able

783

00:31:43,590 --> 00:31:42,000

to do that kind of lengthy

784

00:31:46,470 --> 00:31:43,600

intercomparison

785

00:31:48,470 --> 00:31:46,480

and and in a sense we'd be putting a new

786

00:31:51,590 --> 00:31:48,480

satellite up in

787

00:31:52,950 --> 00:31:51,600

in in a sense uh creating the potential

788

00:31:53,750 --> 00:31:52,960

for problems

789

00:31:56,630 --> 00:31:53,760

so

790

00:31:58,870 --> 00:31:56,640

the new or the orbit is a critical

791

00:32:01,669 --> 00:31:58,880

factor in in maintaining the continuity

792

00:32:03,590 --> 00:32:01,679

of the record

793

00:32:05,830 --> 00:32:03,600

all right we'll come back here we get

794

00:32:08,230 --> 00:32:05,840

any further questions in the audience

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00:32:11,110 --> 00:32:10,310

all right and oh i'll have a follow-up

796

00:32:12,789 --> 00:32:11,120

good

797

00:32:14,710 --> 00:32:12,799

hi my name is

798

00:32:17,269 --> 00:32:14,720

my name is willis jacobson i'm with the

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00:32:19,350 --> 00:32:17,279

lombok record in santa maria times uh

800

00:32:21,750 --> 00:32:19,360

can or will you guys

801  
00:32:23,350 --> 00:32:21,760  
care to comment on the launch vehicle

802  
00:32:24,710 --> 00:32:23,360  
and

803  
00:32:26,710 --> 00:32:24,720  
any attempts to

804  
00:32:29,269 --> 00:32:26,720  
land this rocket and possibly change you

805  
00:32:31,110 --> 00:32:29,279  
know future launches

806  
00:32:32,549 --> 00:32:31,120  
that's actually going to be covered in

807  
00:32:34,870 --> 00:32:32,559  
our next briefing when we get to the

808  
00:32:36,950 --> 00:32:34,880  
pre-launch news conference those folks

809  
00:32:39,509 --> 00:32:36,960  
are on our second panel and can go into

810  
00:32:41,430 --> 00:32:39,519  
more detail about that with you

811  
00:32:43,430 --> 00:32:41,440  
i i will say though that we're excited

812  
00:32:46,389 --> 00:32:43,440  
to get a ride to space

813  
00:32:48,870 --> 00:32:46,399

and we hope spacex breaks a leg

814

00:32:52,070 --> 00:32:48,880

but not literally a leg just in the

815

00:32:56,149 --> 00:32:53,430

all right that will conclude this

816

00:32:58,630 --> 00:32:56,159

briefing and our next briefing will

817

00:32:59,909 --> 00:32:58,640

start in about 10 minutes

818

00:33:02,230 --> 00:32:59,919

which will be the pre-launch news

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00:33:05,590 --> 00:33:02,240

conference and we'll discuss the

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00:33:09,190 --> 00:33:05,600

launch coming up the spacex falcon 9