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Astronauts named to the first commercial crew flights ...

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Using Earth science data to benefit society

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and California wildfires seen from space ... a few of the stories to tell you about – This

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Week at NASA!

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The next astronauts to launch from American soil were announced on Aug. 3 at our Johnson

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Space Center in Houston, with assignments for the first flight tests and missions on

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American-made, commercial spacecraft flying to and from the International Space Station.

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Our Eric Boe and Nicole Mann will join Boeing astronaut Chris Ferguson on the first test

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of the company's CST-100 Starliner.

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Meanwhile, our Doug Hurley and Bob Behnken are scheduled to fly aboard the SpaceX Crew

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Dragon.

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00:00:48,280 --> 00:00:52,800  
Spaceflight veterans Suni Williams and Mike Hopkins, and first time fliers Victor Glover

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and Josh Cassada were named to fly on later missions on the commercial spacecraft.

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Our administrator, Jim Bridenstine, was on hand for the event.

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“For the first time since 2011 we are on the brink of launching American astronauts,

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on American rockets, from American soil ... (applause).”

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For more details on the commercial crew astronauts, spacecraft and missions, go to [nasa.gov/commercialcrew](https://nasa.gov/commercialcrew).

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00:01:22,119 --> 00:01:27,659  
Administrator Bridenstine also got a first-hand look at some future spaceflight hardware and

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participated in a media roundtable with Johnson Center Director Mark Geyer, during the visit

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to Houston.

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Earlier in the week, he visited our Langley Research Center, in Hampton, Virginia where

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he met with employees and saw the work being  
done in Langley's hangar, the National Transonic

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Facility wind tunnel, the Structures and Materials  
Lab and the new Katherine G. Johnson Computational

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Research Facility.

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"So, great project ..."

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On Aug. 1 at our headquarters, young research  
professionals discussed results of more than

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20 projects that used NASA Earth satellite  
data to address real-world issues, from flooding

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in New Orleans to coffee cultivation in Guatemala  
to wildfires in Alaska.

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The talks and poster sessions were part of  
the annual Earth Science Applications Showcase

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hosted by a national NASA program designed  
to extend research results to local communities.

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Multiple wildfires burning in California – many  
of them threatening life and property – were

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seen from space.

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This natural-color satellite image captured on July 29 by our Aqua satellite shows areas

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actively burning at the time – outlined in red – and the smoke that could be seen

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shrouding the state and sweeping as far eastward as Salt Lake City.

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That's what's up this week @NASA ...