



SCIENCE LIVE

VIRTUAL EDITION

# LANDSAT

A LEGACY OF SEEING

EARTH FROM SPACE

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00:00:21,109 --> 00:00:13,140

[Music]

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00:00:26,230 --> 00:00:24,070

hello and welcome to another episode of

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00:00:29,109 --> 00:00:26,240

nasa science live

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00:00:32,069 --> 00:00:29,119

i'm your host jacob richmond

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00:00:34,470 --> 00:00:32,079

this past monday september 27th the

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00:00:36,549 --> 00:00:34,480

landsat 9 satellite launched from

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00:00:37,910 --> 00:00:36,559

vandenberg space force base in

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00:00:40,709 --> 00:00:37,920

california

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it was the latest in a legendary legacy

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00:00:45,190 --> 00:00:43,040

of satellites that have been monitoring

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00:00:48,229 --> 00:00:45,200

and tracking changes across earth's

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00:00:50,470 --> 00:00:48,239

landscapes for nearly 50 years

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00:00:53,590 --> 00:00:50,480

the mission is a joint effort between

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00:00:56,549 --> 00:00:53,600

nasa and the u.s geological survey

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00:00:58,630 --> 00:00:56,559

and it has provided the longest running

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00:01:01,270 --> 00:00:58,640

satellite data record of our changing

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00:01:06,070 --> 00:01:03,430

landsat satellites allow us to measure

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00:01:08,950 --> 00:01:06,080

how the earth is changing over time

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00:01:09,990 --> 00:01:08,960

with landsat 9 joining landsat 8 in

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00:01:12,230 --> 00:01:10,000

space

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00:01:15,030 --> 00:01:12,240

they'll each be circling the globe every

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00:01:17,990 --> 00:01:15,040

99 minutes and together we'll collect

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00:01:19,429 --> 00:01:18,000

images of nearly the entire earth every

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00:01:21,670 --> 00:01:19,439

eight days

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00:01:23,749 --> 00:01:21,680

that constant source of high quality

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00:01:25,830 --> 00:01:23,759

data will help to answer the many

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00:01:26,870 --> 00:01:25,840

questions we have about earth's changing

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00:01:29,990 --> 00:01:26,880

climate

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00:01:31,590 --> 00:01:30,000

urban sprawl and even our very own food

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00:01:34,230 --> 00:01:31,600

supply

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landsat data is also free and open to

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00:01:37,590 --> 00:01:35,439

anyone

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00:01:39,990 --> 00:01:37,600

which means decision makers from around

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00:01:41,749 --> 00:01:40,000

the world can use it to better monitor

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land use changes

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00:01:47,109 --> 00:01:44,399

manage agricultural practices

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00:01:49,590 --> 00:01:47,119

allocate scarce water resources

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00:01:51,510 --> 00:01:49,600

respond to environmental disasters and

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00:01:53,270 --> 00:01:51,520

much more

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00:01:55,429 --> 00:01:53,280

and i'm very happy to tell you all that

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00:01:57,350 --> 00:01:55,439

we have some very accomplished earth

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00:01:59,510 --> 00:01:57,360

science researchers joining our show

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00:02:00,550 --> 00:01:59,520

today and they'll answer some of my

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00:02:02,069 --> 00:02:00,560

questions

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00:02:04,230 --> 00:02:02,079

and a little later we'll be taking

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00:02:05,030 --> 00:02:04,240

questions from our viewers as well

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00:02:07,030 --> 00:02:05,040

so

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00:02:08,469 --> 00:02:07,040

starting now you can submit your

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00:02:10,309 --> 00:02:08,479

questions using

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00:02:11,830 --> 00:02:10,319

landsat on social

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00:02:14,070 --> 00:02:11,840  
or just drop your question in the

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00:02:15,270 --> 00:02:14,080  
comment box wherever you're watching

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00:02:16,229 --> 00:02:15,280  
this

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00:02:18,390 --> 00:02:16,239  
first

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00:02:27,270 --> 00:02:18,400  
let's learn a little bit more about that

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00:02:32,309 --> 00:02:29,830  
[Music]

57  
00:02:34,470 --> 00:02:32,319  
the blue marble

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00:02:35,430 --> 00:02:34,480  
that was our first

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00:02:36,949 --> 00:02:35,440  
view

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00:02:39,190 --> 00:02:36,959  
of ourselves

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00:02:40,470 --> 00:02:39,200  
we really are the blue planet we're

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00:02:42,309 --> 00:02:40,480  
hanging out here in the middle of

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00:02:46,030 --> 00:02:42,319

nowhere

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00:02:48,830 --> 00:02:46,040

in fact apollo imagery was part of the

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00:02:52,390 --> 00:02:48,840

justification for putting together a

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satellite that would look at the earth

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00:02:57,509 --> 00:02:55,200

that satellite was the first landsat

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00:02:59,509 --> 00:02:57,519

the landsat mission now holds the title

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00:03:04,550 --> 00:02:59,519

for the longest continuous space-based

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00:03:09,750 --> 00:03:06,630

at least one landsat satellite has been

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00:03:13,190 --> 00:03:09,760

orbiting the earth since 1972 that's

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00:03:14,790 --> 00:03:13,200

nearly 50 years of steadfast observation

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00:03:16,949 --> 00:03:14,800

the program was born in the midst of

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00:03:20,309 --> 00:03:16,959

several historical flashpoints during a

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00:03:22,229 --> 00:03:20,319

time when the world was changing quickly

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00:03:24,550 --> 00:03:22,239

but the landsat story doesn't actually

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00:03:27,430 --> 00:03:24,560

start with nasa it starts with the

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00:03:29,670 --> 00:03:27,440

united states geological survey

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but let's pause for a second obviously

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there was a big push to make an earth

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

observing satellite but what exactly did

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00:03:37,670 --> 00:03:35,200

it need to do

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00:03:39,830 --> 00:03:37,680

landsat's entire job is to collect light

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visible light like this and non-visible

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light like this

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00:03:45,589 --> 00:03:43,360

after landsat captures the light it sees

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it can make two kinds of pictures true

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color images and false color images

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did you know your eyes can only detect

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red green and blue it sounds crazy but

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it's true in fact if you took a

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magnifying glass to the screen you're

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probably looking at right now you'd see

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a jumble of red green and blue dots mix

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00:04:03,589 --> 00:04:01,599

those colors together with different

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00:04:05,910 --> 00:04:03,599

intensities and your brain interprets

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00:04:08,149 --> 00:04:05,920

all the colors of the rainbow true color

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00:04:10,229 --> 00:04:08,159

images are made by combining red blue

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00:04:12,869 --> 00:04:10,239

and green light but what's even more

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00:04:15,190 --> 00:04:12,879

amazing landsat also captures infrared

101  
00:04:17,270 --> 00:04:15,200  
light beyond what we can see and that

102  
00:04:19,349 --> 00:04:17,280  
light can reveal some incredible things

103  
00:04:20,789 --> 00:04:19,359  
when you look at a false color image

104  
00:04:22,790 --> 00:04:20,799  
like the difference between types of

105  
00:04:24,629 --> 00:04:22,800  
plants how healthy those plants are

106  
00:04:27,189 --> 00:04:24,639  
healthy coral reefs and even dead coral

107  
00:04:30,390 --> 00:04:27,199  
reefs fire tracking ocean pollution the

108  
00:04:32,310 --> 00:04:30,400  
possibilities are nearly endless

109  
00:04:35,670 --> 00:04:32,320  
the true test came when landsat 1

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00:04:37,749 --> 00:04:35,680  
launched on july 23 1972

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00:04:40,070 --> 00:04:37,759  
but with this launch the united states

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00:04:42,390 --> 00:04:40,080  
and soon the world would step into a new

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00:04:44,150 --> 00:04:42,400

paradigm of earth observation

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never before seen snapshot of land

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resources in the environment would be

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key for critical decision making decades

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into the future

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we are now joined by nasa research

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00:05:05,110 --> 00:05:01,840

assistant nikki tooley nikki thank you

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00:05:06,870 --> 00:05:05,120

so much for being with us today

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00:05:09,350 --> 00:05:06,880

thank you thank you for having me and i

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00:05:10,710 --> 00:05:09,360

appreciate being here today

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00:05:13,670 --> 00:05:10,720

of course

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00:05:15,749 --> 00:05:13,680

so nikki as you may know i recently

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00:05:17,990 --> 00:05:15,759

heard your story and your background and

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00:05:19,909 --> 00:05:18,000  
how you got started in this research and

127  
00:05:22,070 --> 00:05:19,919  
so i definitely need you to tell our

128  
00:05:23,670 --> 00:05:22,080  
viewers about that so if you could

129  
00:05:25,110 --> 00:05:23,680  
give us a little bit of that background

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00:05:27,510 --> 00:05:25,120  
and specifically

131  
00:05:30,710 --> 00:05:27,520  
how landsat was involved in a very

132  
00:05:32,390 --> 00:05:30,720  
memorable moment of your life

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00:05:34,310 --> 00:05:32,400  
sure thank you so

134  
00:05:36,070 --> 00:05:34,320  
uh the story that you just heard that

135  
00:05:38,629 --> 00:05:36,080  
was shared with you was

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00:05:40,870 --> 00:05:38,639  
as a result of the usgs human dimensions

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00:05:42,469 --> 00:05:40,880  
and ladies of landsat collaboration and

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00:05:45,029 --> 00:05:42,479

in that story you heard that i'm a

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member of the navajo nation which is one

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of over 500 native american tribes

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located in the united states and in that

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story it further shares some background

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of who i am and where i come from and

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one of the things you'll learn is that

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one of the first homes that i grew up in

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didn't have running water and so we had

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00:06:04,629 --> 00:06:02,240

to haul water from local watering points

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to support our livelihood and i believe

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that it is from that point that i began

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00:06:11,909 --> 00:06:09,600

to get a interest in water science and

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00:06:14,230 --> 00:06:11,919  
so growing up i was surrounded in this

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00:06:16,070 --> 00:06:14,240  
area by family and we spoke a particular

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00:06:17,990 --> 00:06:16,080  
language which was the the navajo

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00:06:20,390 --> 00:06:18,000  
language and so when i went to college

155  
00:06:22,150 --> 00:06:20,400  
in the pursuit of an academic career

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00:06:24,469 --> 00:06:22,160  
that is one thing that came as a huge

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00:06:26,150 --> 00:06:24,479  
shock was culture shock being leaving a

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00:06:28,629 --> 00:06:26,160  
landscape that i knew and the people

159  
00:06:30,790 --> 00:06:28,639  
that i knew and was surrounded by and so

160  
00:06:32,710 --> 00:06:30,800  
luckily for me when i took a remote

161  
00:06:34,950 --> 00:06:32,720  
sensing class i learned about landsat

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00:06:37,029 --> 00:06:34,960  
and what the data produce

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00:06:39,029 --> 00:06:37,039

provides and so that comes in the in the

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area of earth observation satellite

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imagery and so within that way i used

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landsat to remind me of home to be able

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00:06:46,710 --> 00:06:44,479

to

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00:06:48,870 --> 00:06:46,720

look at the the landscape that i grew up

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00:06:51,510 --> 00:06:48,880

on and to not feel so homesick and to

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00:06:53,350 --> 00:06:51,520

feel a way of having a connection to

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00:06:55,909 --> 00:06:53,360

home and in many ways working with the

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nasa weyodi set project and the current

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role that i'm in i feel that that again

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has brought me away back home again and

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00:07:04,870 --> 00:07:02,960

in reality landsat helps us have that

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00:07:08,390 --> 00:07:04,880

relation to home as we all live on

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planet earth and earth is our home

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i think that the truth so you mentioned

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a couple of terms

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i've been hearing a lot of those terms

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lately uh here working in nasa earth

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science especially during the summer

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months when we've had

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heat waves and droughts so you you

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mentioned way o

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and you also mentioned d set i know you

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know a lot about both of those but our

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audience may not uh very important terms

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those are so can you please explain what

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those mean and then please you know

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specifically just how has the navajo

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nation drought project helped that

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community where you grew up

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yeah so at the time i joined the team i

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helped i joined the team to help in

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00:07:48,710 --> 00:07:46,879

these capacity building efforts to look

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at dsat which is the drought severity

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evaluation tool which at the time was

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funded by nasa wayo the western water

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applications office and so this project

201  
00:07:59,350 --> 00:07:57,360  
was co-developed with the desert

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research institute in the navajo nation

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department of water resources so dset

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00:08:06,629 --> 00:08:04,560  
uses remote sensing remote sensing that

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00:08:08,790 --> 00:08:06,639  
is modeled within situ data that is all

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00:08:10,950 --> 00:08:08,800  
combined into this one web interface

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00:08:12,950 --> 00:08:10,960  
that you see here on the screen that was

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00:08:15,110 --> 00:08:12,960  
really designed to be user friendly to

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00:08:17,110 --> 00:08:15,120  
meet the unique challenges of water

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00:08:19,430 --> 00:08:17,120  
management on the navajo nation so what

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00:08:22,070 --> 00:08:19,440  
does that all mean what dsa does is it

212  
00:08:24,550 --> 00:08:22,080  
uses satellite imagery to tell a story

213  
00:08:26,469 --> 00:08:24,560

through the light of the landscape and

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00:08:28,790 --> 00:08:26,479

so landsat is one of these satellite

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databases that is used to with other

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00:08:32,790 --> 00:08:31,039

data that is collected and verified the

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department of water resources has

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contributed some ground-based data to

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where we can look at these interactions

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between the data we see coming from the

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satellites and the data we see coming

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from the ground

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to be able to use these drought

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monitoring efforts looking at

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precipitation looking at snow ultimately

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00:08:51,829 --> 00:08:50,480  
looking at the impact of drought on the

227  
00:08:53,910 --> 00:08:51,839  
landscapes through these drought

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00:08:55,110 --> 00:08:53,920  
conditions to further analyze crop

229  
00:08:56,630 --> 00:08:55,120  
analysis

230  
00:08:58,710 --> 00:08:56,640  
surface water

231  
00:08:59,990 --> 00:08:58,720  
and also to be able to look at the

232  
00:09:02,230 --> 00:09:00,000  
snowpack

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00:09:06,070 --> 00:09:02,240  
state so overall looking at the impact

234  
00:09:10,790 --> 00:09:08,630  
imagine crops and i know you probably

235  
00:09:13,110 --> 00:09:10,800  
know more than most this this phrase

236  
00:09:13,910 --> 00:09:13,120  
water is life right and

237  
00:09:16,710 --> 00:09:13,920  
and

238  
00:09:18,550 --> 00:09:16,720

obviously on that list of what we need

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00:09:19,829 --> 00:09:18,560

to survive is food and there's a very

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00:09:21,590 --> 00:09:19,839

you know

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00:09:22,550 --> 00:09:21,600

direct correlation and relationship

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between

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water supply food supply what can you

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tell us about how landsat and other nasa

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satellites

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are involved in monitoring that food

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supply

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sure i totally agree with you in that

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00:09:40,389 --> 00:09:38,640

statement water is life in my language

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00:09:42,150 --> 00:09:40,399

and in thousands of other ways we can

251  
00:09:44,070 --> 00:09:42,160  
definitely translate that statement

252  
00:09:45,910 --> 00:09:44,080  
because it is true that across the globe

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00:09:48,470 --> 00:09:45,920  
the importance of water and food will

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00:09:50,470 --> 00:09:48,480  
remain a constant uh issue of great

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00:09:52,070 --> 00:09:50,480  
importance that we're all familiar with

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00:09:53,829 --> 00:09:52,080  
i just shared with you some ways that

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00:09:55,750 --> 00:09:53,839  
satellite data is being used in a

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00:09:58,150 --> 00:09:55,760  
particular way to look at the impacts of

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00:09:59,990 --> 00:09:58,160  
the water cycle we need water to grow

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vegetation and oftentimes that

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vegetation is to grow food when our

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water resources are impacted that

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00:10:08,710 --> 00:10:06,079

impacts our food production which can

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ultimately impact food security drought

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is one of those major events to continue

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to monitor earth is a big place however

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00:10:17,509 --> 00:10:15,440

we need to understand that as one planet

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we're all connected so how does nasa

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satellite data help us to track and

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monitor our our food and what we drink

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00:10:25,030 --> 00:10:23,519

so just think about the last time you

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00:10:27,509 --> 00:10:25,040

went to the grocery store and you seen

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00:10:29,509 --> 00:10:27,519

that beautiful display of produce and

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00:10:31,990 --> 00:10:29,519

often times the water is missing there

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00:10:34,150 --> 00:10:32,000

do we ever give a moment to think about

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00:10:36,790 --> 00:10:34,160

what it took to get that piece of fruit

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00:10:38,870 --> 00:10:36,800

or vegetable to our hands to enjoy it if

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00:10:40,470 --> 00:10:38,880

not that's okay but millions of others

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00:10:42,230 --> 00:10:40,480

in different ways have thought about

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00:10:44,870 --> 00:10:42,240

that question in different ways to use

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00:10:47,269 --> 00:10:44,880

satellite data to be able to monitor

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00:10:49,990 --> 00:10:47,279

that to ensure that we have that food or

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00:10:51,190 --> 00:10:50,000

that bottle of water available to us to

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00:10:53,110 --> 00:10:51,200

to consume

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00:10:55,910 --> 00:10:53,120

and so that's what satellite data helps

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00:10:58,389 --> 00:10:55,920

us to do the satellite data continuously

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00:10:59,829 --> 00:10:58,399

collects these images to tell the story

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00:11:01,430 --> 00:10:59,839

that we're interested in what's

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00:11:03,350 --> 00:11:01,440

happening on the landscape what's

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00:11:05,350 --> 00:11:03,360

impacting our crops and what are the

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00:11:07,829 --> 00:11:05,360

state that the production of crops are

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00:11:10,150 --> 00:11:07,839

in satellite data for example can help

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00:11:12,790 --> 00:11:10,160

us to understand soil moisture which is

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00:11:15,190 --> 00:11:12,800

a really big area of how much water is

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00:11:17,829 --> 00:11:15,200

in the soil and how might that

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00:11:20,630 --> 00:11:17,839

impact the crop production satellite

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00:11:21,910 --> 00:11:20,640

data also helps us to look at irrigation

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00:11:24,389 --> 00:11:21,920

crop yield

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00:11:26,949 --> 00:11:24,399

crop production productivity and many

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00:11:29,190 --> 00:11:26,959

other soil and crop characteristics that

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00:11:30,870 --> 00:11:29,200

go into getting that seed that is

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00:11:33,750 --> 00:11:30,880

planted in the earth to food on our

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00:11:37,269 --> 00:11:35,509

thank you i mean normally when that

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00:11:39,750 --> 00:11:37,279

mister comes out of the produce aisle my

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00:11:42,389 --> 00:11:39,760

first reaction is to get out of the way

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00:11:44,389 --> 00:11:42,399

but now i have a totally different

307

00:11:46,630 --> 00:11:44,399

thought that we'll all take with me

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00:11:48,150 --> 00:11:46,640

every time i'm in the grocery store

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00:11:49,670 --> 00:11:48,160

thank you for that and thank you for

310

00:11:51,990 --> 00:11:49,680

joining us nikki

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00:11:53,269 --> 00:11:52,000

um we will be back with you nikki a

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00:11:55,750 --> 00:11:53,279

little bit later to answer some of our

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00:11:58,150 --> 00:11:55,760

viewer questions and again get those in

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00:11:59,910 --> 00:11:58,160

right now if you want to using

315

00:12:02,150 --> 00:11:59,920

landsat

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00:12:03,670 --> 00:12:02,160

and as we can see the data we receive

317

00:12:05,910 --> 00:12:03,680

from landsat and lots of other

318

00:12:07,269 --> 00:12:05,920

satellites really are important to our

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00:12:10,069 --> 00:12:07,279

everyday lives

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00:12:11,430 --> 00:12:10,079

even down to how we source our food so

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00:12:13,670 --> 00:12:11,440

with that in mind

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00:12:17,430 --> 00:12:13,680

how about we head right to the kitchen

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00:12:19,590 --> 00:12:17,440

and see how nasa data is being served up

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00:12:21,990 --> 00:12:19,600

my name is jocelyn argeta i'm your host

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00:12:24,069 --> 00:12:22,000

kathleen gaida and this is snack time

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00:12:26,230 --> 00:12:24,079

with nasa so we can send a rubber to

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00:12:28,470 --> 00:12:26,240

mars but now the question is can we make

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00:12:30,949 --> 00:12:28,480

a tasty dip and this is my dog buoy and

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00:12:33,190 --> 00:12:30,959

we both really love cheese i will eat a

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00:12:34,710 --> 00:12:33,200

space potato in my lifetime i promise

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00:12:37,590 --> 00:12:34,720

you that because

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00:12:39,500 --> 00:12:37,600

it's my first time and i'm not

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00:12:41,350 --> 00:12:39,510

not sure how it's gonna taste

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00:12:42,949 --> 00:12:41,360

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00:12:45,190 --> 00:12:42,959

so bad

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00:12:47,509 --> 00:12:45,200

did you know that nasa plays a big part

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00:12:50,150 --> 00:12:47,519

in the food you eat we use data from

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00:12:53,910 --> 00:12:50,160

space to monitor agriculture and track

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00:12:56,490 --> 00:12:53,920

food security so coincidentally we have

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00:13:00,790 --> 00:12:56,500

some of the crops that we keep an eye on

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00:13:05,030 --> 00:13:03,030

you tell us a little bit about why nasa

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00:13:06,870 --> 00:13:05,040

studied agriculture in the first place

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00:13:08,870 --> 00:13:06,880

when we're known more for space

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00:13:10,790 --> 00:13:08,880

exploration than cooking

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00:13:13,910 --> 00:13:10,800

as we all know

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00:13:15,829 --> 00:13:13,920

our planet earth is also a planet and so

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00:13:17,590 --> 00:13:15,839

nasa has satellites that are pointing

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00:13:19,509 --> 00:13:17,600

out into space but it also has a lot of

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00:13:21,110 --> 00:13:19,519

earth observing satellites pointing air

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00:13:22,870 --> 00:13:21,120

down at earth and of course that's

351  
00:13:24,710 --> 00:13:22,880  
really critical because we live here and

352  
00:13:26,629 --> 00:13:24,720  
that's important for us to track and

353  
00:13:28,470 --> 00:13:26,639  
understand how we're changing our planet

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00:13:31,190 --> 00:13:28,480  
how our planet is responding and in

355  
00:13:33,269 --> 00:13:31,200  
particular um tracking agriculture which

356  
00:13:35,750 --> 00:13:33,279  
is what we're concerned with here food

357  
00:13:38,150 --> 00:13:35,760  
security and agriculture are one of the

358  
00:13:40,790 --> 00:13:38,160  
biggest challenges we face in in this

359  
00:13:42,710 --> 00:13:40,800  
century and nasa's satellite data since

360  
00:13:44,389 --> 00:13:42,720  
actually going back to early days of

361  
00:13:45,990 --> 00:13:44,399  
satellite monitoring there has always

362  
00:13:48,230 --> 00:13:46,000  
been a large focus on agriculture

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00:13:50,710 --> 00:13:48,240

agriculture covers a huge part of our

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00:13:52,870 --> 00:13:50,720

land system and what that does is that

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00:13:55,509 --> 00:13:52,880

helps us to get an accurate and a timely

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00:13:57,990 --> 00:13:55,519

understanding of potential shortfalls or

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00:13:59,269 --> 00:13:58,000

surplus of crops and fruit production

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00:14:01,590 --> 00:13:59,279

around the world

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00:14:03,269 --> 00:14:01,600

so i have edamame in front of me and

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00:14:05,030 --> 00:14:03,279

what i believe to be the most underrated

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00:14:05,760 --> 00:14:05,040

part of a cheese board which are carrots

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00:14:07,509 --> 00:14:05,770

and olives

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00:14:09,590 --> 00:14:07,519

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00:14:10,710 --> 00:14:09,600

yeah those are pretty uh water intensive

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00:14:12,230 --> 00:14:10,720

crops

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00:14:13,910 --> 00:14:12,240

and they're grown in the central valley

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00:14:16,069 --> 00:14:13,920

which is some place where where proper

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00:14:17,910 --> 00:14:16,079

water management is really critical i

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00:14:20,550 --> 00:14:17,920

see you have some grapes there too

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00:14:22,710 --> 00:14:20,560

speaking of grapes nasa has an ongoing

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00:14:24,629 --> 00:14:22,720

project with the us department of

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00:14:26,550 --> 00:14:24,639

agriculture and vietnamese in california

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00:14:29,670 --> 00:14:26,560

called great backs where we're using

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00:14:32,230 --> 00:14:29,680

data from landsat satellite along with

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00:14:34,069 --> 00:14:32,240

multiple other uh space and ground-based

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00:14:36,389 --> 00:14:34,079

observation sources and advanced

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00:14:38,230 --> 00:14:36,399

computer models to help to schedule

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00:14:40,069 --> 00:14:38,240

irrigation for these vineyards and

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00:14:41,990 --> 00:14:40,079

therefore preserve

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00:14:44,230 --> 00:14:42,000

the precious resource water it's really

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00:14:46,230 --> 00:14:44,240

precious in california well it seems to

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00:14:47,430 --> 00:14:46,240

me that instruments onboard the iss are

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00:14:49,189 --> 00:14:47,440

pretty crucial when it comes to

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00:14:50,790 --> 00:14:49,199

monitoring our human cause climate

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00:14:54,389 --> 00:14:50,800

change

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00:14:56,310 --> 00:14:54,399

yes and the really great thing about

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00:14:58,550 --> 00:14:56,320

ecostress is that it complements these

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00:15:01,110 --> 00:14:58,560

other instruments and other satellites

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00:15:03,829 --> 00:15:01,120

like landsat to create a continuous

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00:15:06,150 --> 00:15:03,839

long-term record of the earth's system

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00:15:07,670 --> 00:15:06,160  
and right now nasa is working on future

402  
00:15:09,910 --> 00:15:07,680  
missions that will build on these

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00:15:11,990 --> 00:15:09,920  
records to provide climate scientists a

404  
00:15:14,230 --> 00:15:12,000  
holistic view of the earth and this

405  
00:15:16,310 --> 00:15:14,240  
provides us really unique insights to

406  
00:15:18,710 --> 00:15:16,320  
how vegetation and forest around the

407  
00:15:25,590 --> 00:15:18,720  
world are reacting to environmental and

408  
00:15:31,110 --> 00:15:28,150  
keeping an eye on our food sources is

409  
00:15:32,870 --> 00:15:31,120  
just one of the many applications of

410  
00:15:34,470 --> 00:15:32,880  
landsat data

411  
00:15:36,150 --> 00:15:34,480  
there's another big one that we've all

412  
00:15:38,230 --> 00:15:36,160  
heard about especially in the summertime

413  
00:15:40,870 --> 00:15:38,240

months as well and that is helping

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00:15:43,189 --> 00:15:40,880

scientists monitor wildfires and their

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00:15:45,990 --> 00:15:43,199

effects across our planet

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00:15:47,749 --> 00:15:46,000

to tackle that topic i'll now welcome in

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00:15:49,910 --> 00:15:47,759

dr liz hoy

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00:15:52,550 --> 00:15:49,920

a senior scientist at nasa's goddard

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00:15:54,550 --> 00:15:52,560

space flight center liz thank you so

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00:15:57,430 --> 00:15:54,560

much for being on the show

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00:15:59,749 --> 00:15:57,440

thanks for having me

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00:16:02,710 --> 00:15:59,759

our pleasure and first just like i did

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00:16:04,870 --> 00:16:02,720

with nikki i'm told you have a memorable

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00:16:07,269 --> 00:16:04,880

moment from early in your career that

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00:16:09,189 --> 00:16:07,279

involves fires and landsat could you

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00:16:10,949 --> 00:16:09,199

share that with us

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00:16:12,949 --> 00:16:10,959

yeah well nikki's story was incredible

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00:16:15,110 --> 00:16:12,959

to hear and i so appreciate that she

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00:16:17,590 --> 00:16:15,120

shared it with us i started using

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00:16:19,910 --> 00:16:17,600

landsat imagery to look at forest fires

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00:16:21,749 --> 00:16:19,920

back as an undergraduate in college and

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00:16:24,069 --> 00:16:21,759

then as a graduate student i actually

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00:16:26,150 --> 00:16:24,079

got to go to alaska and there are these

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00:16:28,790 --> 00:16:26,160

cold northern forests there that can

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00:16:31,269 --> 00:16:28,800

really burn during wildfires and i would

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00:16:33,030 --> 00:16:31,279

dig in in the soil and try to understand

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00:16:35,670 --> 00:16:33,040

how much carbon is released from these

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00:16:37,590 --> 00:16:35,680

fires and then as a phd student i

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00:16:40,389 --> 00:16:37,600

actually had the opportunity to take my

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00:16:42,389 --> 00:16:40,399

infant son with me to alaska my husband

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00:16:45,030 --> 00:16:42,399

came he took his paternity leave and the

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00:16:46,790 --> 00:16:45,040

three of us traveled around and camped

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00:16:49,030 --> 00:16:46,800

and i took measurements of this soil

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00:16:50,949 --> 00:16:49,040

layer that burned and i would compare it

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00:16:52,870 --> 00:16:50,959

with landsat imagery so it was an

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00:16:56,150 --> 00:16:52,880

incredible experience for us but it was

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00:16:58,069 --> 00:16:56,160

daunting for us as parents

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00:17:00,790 --> 00:16:58,079

i know i was just gonna say when i first

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00:17:04,150 --> 00:17:00,800

had our infant i also wanted to go to

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00:17:05,990 --> 00:17:04,160

alaska and document wildfires but

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00:17:08,470 --> 00:17:06,000

actually that's not true

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00:17:10,230 --> 00:17:08,480

we're surviving but thank you for your

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00:17:12,069 --> 00:17:10,240

work there um

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00:17:14,549 --> 00:17:12,079

one thing i also learned from just

455

00:17:16,470 --> 00:17:14,559

working here in earth science at nasa

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00:17:18,470 --> 00:17:16,480

is that fires aren't just sort of an

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00:17:19,750 --> 00:17:18,480

acute thing that pop up every once in a

458

00:17:21,829 --> 00:17:19,760

while in certain areas they are

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00:17:23,909 --> 00:17:21,839

constantly happening around the world a

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00:17:25,990 --> 00:17:23,919

lot of them so could you just take a

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00:17:28,309 --> 00:17:26,000

second and describe the the global

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00:17:29,590 --> 00:17:28,319

phenomenon of fires in a way that helps

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00:17:32,710 --> 00:17:29,600

people like me

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00:17:35,350 --> 00:17:32,720

understand the scope and scale of them

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00:17:38,070 --> 00:17:35,360

yeah sure wildfire is a natural

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00:17:39,190 --> 00:17:38,080

occurrence across the landscape and we

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00:17:43,830 --> 00:17:39,200

have

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00:17:46,630 --> 00:17:43,840

about the area of the size of the

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00:17:48,870 --> 00:17:46,640

european union burns every year so it's

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00:17:51,830 --> 00:17:48,880

an incredible amount of fire

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00:17:54,630 --> 00:17:51,840

fire clears underbrush fire helps new

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00:17:56,789 --> 00:17:54,640

seeds to grow and fire also just helps

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00:17:58,870 --> 00:17:56,799

to keep forests in their natural cycles

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00:18:01,029 --> 00:17:58,880

of of growth

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00:18:03,430 --> 00:18:01,039

we use this landsat imagery for is we

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00:18:05,990 --> 00:18:03,440

can see where fires are burning

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00:18:08,470 --> 00:18:06,000

how what their frequency is how severe

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00:18:10,230 --> 00:18:08,480

they are how intense these fires are and

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00:18:12,870 --> 00:18:10,240

they can really help us to have a big

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00:18:16,950 --> 00:18:12,880

picture of this of this fire and where

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00:18:20,470 --> 00:18:18,630

i mean we also know there are lots of

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00:18:21,909 --> 00:18:20,480

satellites up in space doing lots of

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00:18:24,310 --> 00:18:21,919

different measurements many of them are

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00:18:25,990 --> 00:18:24,320

involved in fire research in some form

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00:18:28,390 --> 00:18:26,000

or fashion but can you describe how

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00:18:29,270 --> 00:18:28,400

landsat works in harmony with those

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00:18:30,950 --> 00:18:29,280

other

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00:18:33,270 --> 00:18:30,960

satellites up there as well to

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00:18:37,029 --> 00:18:33,280

understand fires

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00:18:39,110 --> 00:18:37,039

sure yeah so landsat landsat 9 now up

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00:18:41,669 --> 00:18:39,120

there that's going to give us

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00:18:44,230 --> 00:18:41,679

along with landsat 8 a view every eight

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00:18:46,710 --> 00:18:44,240

days of where fires are on the landscape

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00:18:48,230 --> 00:18:46,720

and when we take into account other

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00:18:49,909 --> 00:18:48,240

satellite imagery as well from

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00:18:52,070 --> 00:18:49,919

comparable satellites we're having a

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00:18:54,310 --> 00:18:52,080

view every two to three days so with

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00:18:55,750 --> 00:18:54,320

this 50-year record that we already have

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00:18:58,150 --> 00:18:55,760

we're getting an incredible amount of

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00:19:00,710 --> 00:18:58,160

data in i like to think about a family

501  
00:19:02,470 --> 00:19:00,720  
photo album so if you have a picture of

502  
00:19:04,230 --> 00:19:02,480  
someone as a baby and then you're able

503  
00:19:06,789 --> 00:19:04,240  
to watch them grow until they're a 50

504  
00:19:08,549 --> 00:19:06,799  
year old adult you're really seeing how

505  
00:19:10,230 --> 00:19:08,559  
how they're changing over time and we're

506  
00:19:12,470 --> 00:19:10,240  
seeing that with with this landsat

507  
00:19:14,390 --> 00:19:12,480  
imagery now too having this record

508  
00:19:16,070 --> 00:19:14,400  
really helps us to

509  
00:19:18,310 --> 00:19:16,080  
look at all these different aspects of

510  
00:19:20,230 --> 00:19:18,320  
wildfire and really better understand

511  
00:19:23,029 --> 00:19:20,240  
how it's impacting the landscape and

512  
00:19:25,190 --> 00:19:23,039  
then how fire and resource managers can

513  
00:19:26,950 --> 00:19:25,200

take that imagery and use it to better

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00:19:31,510 --> 00:19:26,960

allocate resources where there might be

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00:19:34,310 --> 00:19:32,470

i know

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00:19:35,990 --> 00:19:34,320

some of us tend to think of fires also

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00:19:38,789 --> 00:19:36,000

as an effect

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00:19:40,950 --> 00:19:38,799

of the hotter drier climate as that's

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00:19:42,390 --> 00:19:40,960

intensifying but there's another aspect

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00:19:45,350 --> 00:19:42,400

of that i think we should know more

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00:19:46,070 --> 00:19:45,360

about and that's the effects from fires

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00:19:48,630 --> 00:19:46,080

so

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00:19:49,669 --> 00:19:48,640

what can landsat and other nasa data

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00:19:53,110 --> 00:19:49,679

teach us

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00:19:55,270 --> 00:19:53,120

about the after fire consequences of of

526  
00:19:57,750 --> 00:19:55,280  
fires on earth whether that's on the

527  
00:19:59,190 --> 00:19:57,760  
land or in the atmosphere

528  
00:20:00,950 --> 00:19:59,200  
sure yeah so

529  
00:20:03,110 --> 00:20:00,960  
landsat imagery as well as other

530  
00:20:04,950 --> 00:20:03,120  
satellite products from nasa and others

531  
00:20:07,350 --> 00:20:04,960  
they are really useful in understanding

532  
00:20:08,710 --> 00:20:07,360  
how wildfire is impacting the land and

533  
00:20:10,870 --> 00:20:08,720  
the atmosphere so i'll start with the

534  
00:20:12,549 --> 00:20:10,880  
atmosphere and when a fire burns it's

535  
00:20:14,710 --> 00:20:12,559  
releasing a lot of carbon into the

536  
00:20:16,789 --> 00:20:14,720  
atmosphere those emissions and that

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00:20:18,470 --> 00:20:16,799  
smoke it's all going into the atmosphere

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00:20:20,070 --> 00:20:18,480

that can actually cause the atmosphere

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00:20:22,549 --> 00:20:20,080

to warm which can actually create

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00:20:24,230 --> 00:20:22,559

conditions for more fire down the road

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

so that's one thing then the second

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00:20:29,029 --> 00:20:26,880

thing is that these emissions the smoke

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00:20:30,870 --> 00:20:29,039

can be really harmful for human health

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00:20:33,590 --> 00:20:30,880

so when we think about it we have to

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00:20:35,350 --> 00:20:33,600

think about where where is the smoke and

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00:20:37,350 --> 00:20:35,360

how are people going to be impacted are

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00:20:39,909 --> 00:20:37,360

we going to have more people in the

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00:20:42,149 --> 00:20:39,919

emergency room with respiratory issues

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00:20:44,950 --> 00:20:42,159

this smoke can also travel thousands of

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00:20:46,310 --> 00:20:44,960

miles and so there are other examples

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00:20:49,029 --> 00:20:46,320  
for example

552  
00:20:50,870 --> 00:20:49,039  
in the canadian wildfires have actually

553  
00:20:52,789 --> 00:20:50,880  
the smoke from those fires have actually

554  
00:20:55,350 --> 00:20:52,799  
traveled all the way over to greenland

555  
00:20:57,830 --> 00:20:55,360  
and have uh been deposited on the ice

556  
00:20:59,909 --> 00:20:57,840  
sheets there and it's resulted in more

557  
00:21:02,950 --> 00:20:59,919  
melting of the ice sheets because that

558  
00:21:05,510 --> 00:21:02,960  
that soot warms up more than than the

559  
00:21:07,190 --> 00:21:05,520  
ice wood normally but then i also want

560  
00:21:08,950 --> 00:21:07,200  
to point out that

561  
00:21:11,190 --> 00:21:08,960  
there are really important impacts on

562  
00:21:13,190 --> 00:21:11,200  
the land as well and so this is where

563  
00:21:14,789 --> 00:21:13,200

this is some of the work i do comes in

564

00:21:18,230 --> 00:21:14,799

and so we're looking at

565

00:21:19,669 --> 00:21:18,240

how forest fires across the landscape

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00:21:22,230 --> 00:21:19,679

how those areas

567

00:21:23,750 --> 00:21:22,240

recover after a fire and we can see

568

00:21:27,029 --> 00:21:23,760

where there might be the potential for

569

00:21:29,750 --> 00:21:27,039

erosion or for landslides and so we're

570

00:21:31,990 --> 00:21:29,760

looking at how the land recovers from a

571

00:21:33,590 --> 00:21:32,000

fire what vegetation is coming back

572

00:21:35,350 --> 00:21:33,600

where might there be a risk and then we

573

00:21:37,750 --> 00:21:35,360

can give that information to land

574

00:21:40,310 --> 00:21:37,760

managers fire managers natural resource

575

00:21:41,909 --> 00:21:40,320

managers to help them to understand

576

00:21:45,909 --> 00:21:41,919

where they might need to allocate

577

00:21:50,390 --> 00:21:48,470

liz thank you so much those are all very

578

00:21:51,990 --> 00:21:50,400

fascinating answers about something

579

00:21:53,750 --> 00:21:52,000

that's uh

580

00:21:55,350 --> 00:21:53,760

terrible and fascinating all at the same

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00:21:57,029 --> 00:21:55,360

time so thanks for your work and please

582

00:21:58,789 --> 00:21:57,039

don't go anywhere

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00:22:01,190 --> 00:21:58,799

it's now time to take some questions

584

00:22:03,430 --> 00:22:01,200

from our viewers

585

00:22:05,750 --> 00:22:03,440

so if you're just tuning in remember you

586

00:22:08,310 --> 00:22:05,760

can still have your questions answered

587

00:22:10,070 --> 00:22:08,320

live right here just use

588

00:22:12,230 --> 00:22:10,080

landsat on social

589

00:22:13,350 --> 00:22:12,240

or the comment box from wherever you are

590

00:22:15,270 --> 00:22:13,360

watching

591

00:22:16,950 --> 00:22:15,280

and since many of you are already

592

00:22:19,110 --> 00:22:16,960

watching on social i wanted to mention

593

00:22:21,110 --> 00:22:19,120

one other thing that the whole landsat

594

00:22:23,310 --> 00:22:21,120

team is enjoying

595

00:22:25,110 --> 00:22:23,320

uh as we speak which is hashtag

596

00:22:26,630 --> 00:22:25,120

landsatcraft

597

00:22:28,230 --> 00:22:26,640

so if you don't have a question but you

598

00:22:30,470 --> 00:22:28,240

want to help us communicate about the

599

00:22:32,870 --> 00:22:30,480

mission here's what to do

600

00:22:35,110 --> 00:22:32,880

go to the landsat image gallery you can

601  
00:22:37,590 --> 00:22:35,120  
search that up it's easy to find online

602  
00:22:39,430 --> 00:22:37,600  
there's tons of great images scroll

603  
00:22:40,630 --> 00:22:39,440  
until you find an image that inspires

604  
00:22:43,669 --> 00:22:40,640  
you

605  
00:22:46,310 --> 00:22:43,679  
then create something artistic or crafty

606  
00:22:48,149 --> 00:22:46,320  
based on that image take a photo or two

607  
00:22:50,710 --> 00:22:48,159  
share it with us on social media using

608  
00:22:53,029 --> 00:22:50,720  
that hashtag landsatcraft

609  
00:22:55,110 --> 00:22:53,039  
and if you don't do art but you like to

610  
00:22:57,029 --> 00:22:55,120  
look at art go check out the hashtag

611  
00:22:59,669 --> 00:22:57,039  
anyway we've already gotten a lot of

612  
00:23:00,950 --> 00:22:59,679  
amazing creative contributions

613  
00:23:03,029 --> 00:23:00,960

all right

614

00:23:04,630 --> 00:23:03,039

now let's bring back nikki and liz to

615

00:23:07,190 --> 00:23:04,640

answer those questions and again thank

616

00:23:09,830 --> 00:23:07,200

you both for staying with us

617

00:23:11,110 --> 00:23:09,840

our first question is from james on

618

00:23:14,310 --> 00:23:11,120

facebook

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00:23:16,950 --> 00:23:14,320

he asks how are you working with usgs to

620

00:23:19,350 --> 00:23:16,960

better understand hazards so liz i'll

621

00:23:20,549 --> 00:23:19,360

kick that one over to you

622

00:23:23,270 --> 00:23:20,559

sure so

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00:23:25,270 --> 00:23:23,280

um it's it's a combination of nasa and

624

00:23:27,909 --> 00:23:25,280

usgs that really put these landsat

625

00:23:29,430 --> 00:23:27,919

satellites up into orbit and so we're

626

00:23:32,950 --> 00:23:29,440

getting a lot of our imagery actually

627

00:23:35,270 --> 00:23:32,960

through usgs channels but uh even usgs

628

00:23:37,510 --> 00:23:35,280

and nasa work together to make some burn

629

00:23:40,310 --> 00:23:37,520

severity products that we use to really

630

00:23:42,870 --> 00:23:40,320

understand what's happening after a fire

631

00:23:44,149 --> 00:23:42,880

burns or how severe it burned and then

632

00:23:45,830 --> 00:23:44,159

trying to understand what's going to

633

00:23:47,350 --> 00:23:45,840

happen in that region after a fire so

634

00:23:50,070 --> 00:23:47,360

it's really a combination between both

635

00:23:51,750 --> 00:23:50,080

of those agencies

636

00:23:54,230 --> 00:23:51,760

thank you

637

00:23:56,149 --> 00:23:54,240

tim on facebook asks and this will be

638

00:23:58,149 --> 00:23:56,159

for you nikki he says

639

00:24:00,310 --> 00:23:58,159

while you no doubt see much land

640

00:24:03,830 --> 00:24:00,320

becoming unusable are there areas that

641

00:24:08,549 --> 00:24:06,149

yeah so just i think that question can

642

00:24:10,630 --> 00:24:08,559

go back to looking at the the human

643

00:24:12,789 --> 00:24:10,640

impacts but also the nature impacts just

644

00:24:15,350 --> 00:24:12,799

to what to speak to what liz shared with

645

00:24:17,430 --> 00:24:15,360

us and so i really find it interesting

646

00:24:19,350 --> 00:24:17,440

that there's this opportunity that

647

00:24:20,950 --> 00:24:19,360

satellite imagery provides us for

648

00:24:23,909 --> 00:24:20,960

example that was just discussed with

649

00:24:25,830 --> 00:24:23,919

wildfire how we can monitor the impacts

650

00:24:27,430 --> 00:24:25,840

that wildfire has on the landscape

651  
00:24:30,230 --> 00:24:27,440  
escapes whether they're connected to

652  
00:24:31,430 --> 00:24:30,240  
agriculture lands or to to places that

653  
00:24:34,149 --> 00:24:31,440  
are of

654  
00:24:36,470 --> 00:24:34,159  
more open areas but with that imagery

655  
00:24:38,950 --> 00:24:36,480  
we're able to see the revegetation that

656  
00:24:41,510 --> 00:24:38,960  
comes back from the wildfires and then

657  
00:24:43,990 --> 00:24:41,520  
as was mentioned we're also able to put

658  
00:24:45,990 --> 00:24:44,000  
input into looking at how we might help

659  
00:24:48,149 --> 00:24:46,000  
with erosion that comes with the

660  
00:24:49,830 --> 00:24:48,159  
wildfires that impact a watershed or

661  
00:24:51,350 --> 00:24:49,840  
we're able to look at how we might help

662  
00:24:53,590 --> 00:24:51,360  
the vegetation

663  
00:24:55,350 --> 00:24:53,600

come back to some of the natural state

664

00:24:56,549 --> 00:24:55,360

that it was at before and i think those

665

00:24:58,870 --> 00:24:56,559

are two ways

666

00:25:00,710 --> 00:24:58,880

together in which the the natural cycle

667

00:25:04,230 --> 00:25:00,720

and the human impact can come together

668

00:25:05,590 --> 00:25:04,240

in helping those landscapes

669

00:25:07,190 --> 00:25:05,600

for sure

670

00:25:09,350 --> 00:25:07,200

and this next question i want you both

671

00:25:12,390 --> 00:25:09,360

to answer but we'll start with you liz

672

00:25:14,710 --> 00:25:12,400

elda pena also on facebook asks what

673

00:25:18,230 --> 00:25:14,720

surprises have these landsat

674

00:25:22,789 --> 00:25:20,070

surprises well

675

00:25:24,870 --> 00:25:22,799

i i'm always surprised when uh when we

676  
00:25:26,710 --> 00:25:24,880  
when we're able to figure out what we're

677  
00:25:29,909 --> 00:25:26,720  
what we're looking at and understand it

678  
00:25:32,149 --> 00:25:29,919  
in a new way i'm i'm surprised when i

679  
00:25:35,029 --> 00:25:32,159  
learn about how severely burned certain

680  
00:25:37,029 --> 00:25:35,039  
areas are sometimes you know it's hard

681  
00:25:39,269 --> 00:25:37,039  
to really see it and what we can do with

682  
00:25:41,110 --> 00:25:39,279  
this landsat imagery is we can look at a

683  
00:25:43,190 --> 00:25:41,120  
at an entire area somewhere at times

684  
00:25:44,710 --> 00:25:43,200  
it's remote locations we can't always

685  
00:25:46,950 --> 00:25:44,720  
get there but when we can use the

686  
00:25:49,830 --> 00:25:46,960  
landsat imagery we can really look at

687  
00:25:51,590 --> 00:25:49,840  
these larger areas and on on regional

688  
00:25:55,430 --> 00:25:51,600

scales it's just incredible how much

689

00:25:59,990 --> 00:25:57,750

absolutely i can imagine

690

00:26:02,390 --> 00:26:00,000

all right we have a question from

691

00:26:03,350 --> 00:26:02,400

mordecai on twitter

692

00:26:05,110 --> 00:26:03,360

and

693

00:26:08,070 --> 00:26:05,120

the question is how long is

694

00:26:10,870 --> 00:26:08,080

commissioning calibration and validation

695

00:26:11,909 --> 00:26:10,880

before people can start using landsat 9

696

00:26:13,430 --> 00:26:11,919

data

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00:26:15,029 --> 00:26:13,440

so i'll take that one a little bit we

698

00:26:17,190 --> 00:26:15,039

also have a question right after that

699

00:26:19,350 --> 00:26:17,200

from tui missing on facebook which is a

700

00:26:21,669 --> 00:26:19,360

similar question about when

701  
00:26:23,350 --> 00:26:21,679  
uh where will landsat 9 images be

702  
00:26:25,990 --> 00:26:23,360  
available so

703  
00:26:28,390 --> 00:26:26,000  
the the shortest answer to that to those

704  
00:26:30,310 --> 00:26:28,400  
questions is that the data is managed by

705  
00:26:32,310 --> 00:26:30,320  
the us geological survey that's why it's

706  
00:26:33,350 --> 00:26:32,320  
a partner mission so that typically

707  
00:26:35,990 --> 00:26:33,360  
happens

708  
00:26:38,470 --> 00:26:36,000  
at 100 days after launch so

709  
00:26:40,470 --> 00:26:38,480  
realistically when that data is

710  
00:26:42,230 --> 00:26:40,480  
has become open and available for the

711  
00:26:44,070 --> 00:26:42,240  
public and researchers and everyone to

712  
00:26:45,750 --> 00:26:44,080  
use that'll be

713  
00:26:48,149 --> 00:26:45,760

probably early january after the

714

00:26:50,149 --> 00:26:48,159

holidays but that's uh just a little bit

715

00:26:53,750 --> 00:26:50,159

after that 100 day mark

716

00:26:58,149 --> 00:26:53,760

and you can just head over to the usgs

717

00:27:03,750 --> 00:27:00,950

all right linda on facebook asks how

718

00:27:05,990 --> 00:27:03,760

long will the satellite last um so liz i

719

00:27:08,390 --> 00:27:06,000

know you've been you know studying

720

00:27:10,230 --> 00:27:08,400

remote sensing for a long time

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00:27:11,830 --> 00:27:10,240

um with data from a lot of different

722

00:27:13,830 --> 00:27:11,840

satellites and they're all a little bit

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00:27:16,549 --> 00:27:13,840

different but do your best and predict

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00:27:18,230 --> 00:27:16,559

how long the nasa landsat 9 satellite

725

00:27:19,750 --> 00:27:18,240

will last for us

726

00:27:21,350 --> 00:27:19,760

well one thing that's been really great

727

00:27:23,430 --> 00:27:21,360

about the landsat program is that some

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00:27:26,230 --> 00:27:23,440

of the satellites have actually outlived

729

00:27:27,750 --> 00:27:26,240

their expected lifespan so we've we as

730

00:27:29,590 --> 00:27:27,760

we said in that video in the beginning

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00:27:31,430 --> 00:27:29,600

we've had a satellite that's been up

732

00:27:33,750 --> 00:27:31,440

there um at least one of these

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00:27:36,470 --> 00:27:33,760

satellites for almost 50 years and so i

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00:27:38,389 --> 00:27:36,480

hope landsat 9 you know exceeds its its

735

00:27:39,669 --> 00:27:38,399

design life and stays up there for many

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00:27:41,669 --> 00:27:39,679

years

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00:27:43,669 --> 00:27:41,679

and then we keep going with this program

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00:27:45,029 --> 00:27:43,679

because having this long-term look

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00:27:48,470 --> 00:27:45,039

really helps us to understand how the

740

00:27:52,789 --> 00:27:50,149

absolutely

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00:27:54,950 --> 00:27:52,799

well that is about all the time we have

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00:27:56,310 --> 00:27:54,960

liz and nikki thank you again so much

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00:28:00,070 --> 00:27:56,320

for joining us today it's been a

744

00:28:03,430 --> 00:28:01,590

yeah yeah thanks thank you for this

745

00:28:06,630 --> 00:28:03,440

opportunity

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00:28:10,630 --> 00:28:09,029

and thanks to all of you our viewers for

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00:28:12,630 --> 00:28:10,640

joining us online

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00:28:14,789 --> 00:28:12,640

like we mentioned before landsat 9

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00:28:17,110 --> 00:28:14,799

launched on monday from vandenberg space

750

00:28:20,230 --> 00:28:17,120

force base and is now continuing the

751  
00:28:22,470 --> 00:28:20,240  
nearly 50-year legacy of this amazing

752  
00:28:23,590 --> 00:28:22,480  
legendary earth observing satellite

753  
00:28:25,669 --> 00:28:23,600  
program

754  
00:28:27,909 --> 00:28:25,679  
you can stay up to date on how nasa

755  
00:28:30,389 --> 00:28:27,919  
studies our home planet all the time

756  
00:28:32,630 --> 00:28:30,399  
by following at nasa earth on facebook

757  
00:28:35,029 --> 00:28:32,640  
twitter and instagram

758  
00:28:36,470 --> 00:28:35,039  
and if you want to learn more about all

759  
00:28:38,549 --> 00:28:36,480  
things landsat

760  
00:28:40,710 --> 00:28:38,559  
we just recently released a really cool

761  
00:28:43,510 --> 00:28:40,720  
interactive website so go check that out

762  
00:28:44,470 --> 00:28:43,520  
at nasa.gov

763  
00:28:46,389 --> 00:28:44,480

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00:28:48,549 --> 00:28:46,399

again i'm jacob richmond and it's been

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00:28:50,950 --> 00:28:48,559

an honor to be your host for nasa

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00:28:54,350 --> 00:28:50,960

science live we hope to see you at the