Laser Ranging Ground System

Progress

- One-way system delay measurement at NGSLR has been completed and documented in February.
- Successful independent timing test at NGSLR with Instrument Scientist was completed 1/12/2009.
- End to End test with LOLA performed 1/21/2009. Everything looked good except for some data transfer and some lingering clock issues.
- LOLA science team has independently verified that the NGSLR laser is being fired so that the pulses will arrive at LRO when the LOLA Earth Window is open.
- Requirements Verification document completed and turned in.
- SCLK subroutines and documentation (for ILRS participating stations that will fire synchronously) have been delivered and are in use.
- Herstmonceux and Zimmerwald have signed Agreements and are flowing test LR data, as is MLRS. Wettzell proposal has been selected but Agreement not yet finalized.
- Successful LRO test with Hersmonceux, Zimmerwald, MLRS and NGSLR occurred on 3/25/2009.
- New computer and timing card (which will not affect SLR OPS in any way) are in testing at MOBLAS-7. MOBLAS-5 and MOBLAS-6 will use this configuration to range to LRO.
- Training for operators is in progress.

Risks and Issues

 NENS to SCNS contract transfer occurs right at the beginning of LRO-LR operations. Could result in substantial down-time for NGSLR.

Global LR Ground Stations

Events/second

Scheduling	&
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	Synch?	FireRate	in Earth Window	Participation Participation
NGSLR	YES	28Hz	28	Prime
MLRS	NO	10Hz	2 to 4	Secondary
Zimmerwald	YES	28Hz	28	
Agreen	nent signed			
Herstmonceux	YES	7 or 14Hz	7 or 14	Agreement signed
Wettzell	Maybe	7 or 10Hz	2 to 7	Accepted
MOBLAS-5	NO	5Hz	1 to 2	Will participate
MOBLAS-6	NO	5Hz	1 to 2	Will participate

- Instrument Scientist (Xiaoli Sun) and LR Manager (Ron Zellar) are currently working with MLRS on a safe configuration for LRO.
- Safe configuration for Wettzell determined. Need to complete Agreement.